

City of Corona

Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Notice of Funds Availability Public Service Grants

The City of Corona hereby notifies private non-profit organizations and City Departments of the availability of CDBG Public Service Grants for the upcoming 2021-2022 program year and up to an additional three (3) program years including 2022-2023, 2023-2024, and 2024-2025.

City of Corona CDBG Public Service Grants provide funding to eligible applicant organizations that provide public services to low- and moderate-income Corona residents. Pursuant to this NOFA, public service providers may compete for an initial one-year public service grant that may be renewed for up to an additional three (3) program years. Subsequent to the conclusion of this funding cycle that covers the period of July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2025, public service providers will not be eligible to apply for future CDBG funds unless the application is for a new service, new program or constitutes a quantifiable increase above and beyond the level of service already provided (inclusive of 2021 CDBG). A complete copy of the NOFA and Application is available online at: www.coronaca.gov/cdbg.

Applications must be submitted on or before March 5, 2021 at 5:00 P.M. PST via e-mail only to: Clint.Whited@CoronaCA.gov.

After the application deadline, the City will review all applications for eligibility and conformance to the low- and moderate-income national objective of the CDBG Program at 24 CFR 570.208(a). The following public services listed in the City of Corona 2020-2024 Consolidated Plan are eligible and are consistent with the CDBG Regulations for public services at 24 CFR 570.201 (e): fair housing services, youth and senior services, transportation, substance abuse services, employment training, childcare, health and community services, services for domestic violence victims, services for homeless persons including emergency shelter operations, and services for persons with special needs including persons with disabilities, domestic violence, reentry, substance abuse and HIV/AIDS. Further, to be eligible for CDBG assistance, a public service must be either a new service or a quantifiable increase in the level of an existing service currently provided by, or on behalf of, the City of Corona.

Applicants submitting ineligible applications will receive written notification that the application is ineligible and shall have five (5) calendar days to submit a written appeal of such determination to Clint.Whited@CoronaCA.gov. Upon review of an appeal, the decision of the Community Development Director shall be final.

Applications determined to be eligible and that serve low- and moderate-income people in accordance with the National Objective will advance to the competitive reading and scoring phase. Subsequent to competitive reading and scoring, program staff will make funding recommendations to the City Council. The City anticipates awarding between four (4) and six (6) grants with first-year funding levels of

approximately \$25,000-\$35,000 per grant. Funding recommendations will include the top-scoring applications. During the period of performance for grants awarded under this NOFA, the City may elect, at its sole discretion, to renew grants awarded for program year 2021 in subsequent program years. Grant amounts may vary from year to year based on the amount of CDBG funds received from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. In all cases, the decision of the City Council shall be final.

For information on those programs previously funded in prior years Action Plans during the previous NOFA, and to download a copy of the NOFA and Application, visit the Corona CDBG Program website at: www.coronaca.gov/cdbg.

Applications for housing programs, economic development programs and capital improvement projects will not be accepted as part of this NOFA.

An application workshop for interested applicants will be held on Monday, February 22, 2021 at 10:00 A.M. To RSVP for the application workshop or if you have any questions concerning this NOFA, please send an email to Clint.White@CoronaCA.gov. Questions pertaining to the application process and the application will be answered during the application workshop.

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