

**PUBLIC NOTICE  
CITY OF ASHLAND  
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT  
PY2020-2024 CONSOLIDATED PLAN  
PY2020 ANNUAL PLAN  
ACTION PLAN SUBSTANTIAL AMENDMENT #1**

The City of Ashland proposes to amend the Community Development Block Grant PY2020-2024 Consolidated Plan and 2020 Action Plan (Substantial Amendment #1) to amend the funding allocation and proposed projects. These actions have triggered a substantial amendment and formal approval.

All CDBG funds must meet one of the three National Objectives as defined in Federal regulations at 24 CFR 570.483.

- Benefiting low-and moderate-income families;
- Preventing or eliminating slum or blight; or
- Meeting other community development needs having a particular urgency because of existing conditions pose a serious and immediate threat to the health or welfare of the community and other financial resources are not available to meet such needs.

Consistent with CARES Act and HUD guidance, this amendment waives any limit established on the issuance of funds to support public social services for any funds made available under this amendment.

Additionally, the amendment adopts modified citizen participation procedures established by the CARES Act and HUD guidance. In particular, the City will adopt a minimum 5-day comment period and the use of virtual hearings for CDBG Grants as well as for CDBG-CV Funds.

On August 10, 2020, HUD released, "Notice of Program Rules, Waivers, and Alternative Requirements Under the CARES Act for Community Development Block Grant Program Coronavirus Response Grants, Fiscal Year 2019 and 2020 Community Development Block Grants, and Other Formula Programs". This notice provides for "program rules, statutory and regulatory waivers, and alternative requirements applicable to supplemental Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds are made available to prevent, prepare, and respond to coronavirus." The City of Ashland will utilize any and all flexibility rules, waivers and alternative requirements to allocate CDBG-CV funds.

The City of Ashland PY2020-2024 Consolidated Plan and 2020 Action Plan Substantial Amendment #1 proposal may be found at: [www.ashlandky.gov](http://www.ashlandky.gov) under the Community Development tab, the Department of Community & Economic Development office at 1700 Greenup Avenue, Suite 208, and Ashland Transportation Center, 99 15<sup>th</sup> Street, Ashland Library, Central Avenue, and the Ashland Human Rights Commission office.

Comments may be submitted until close of business June 21, 2021 by phone to 606-385-3317 or by emailing [lwoolery@ashlandky.gov](mailto:lwoolery@ashlandky.gov).

A public hearing will be conducted on June 21, 2021 at 3:00pm in the Commission Chambers located at 1700 Greenup Avenue, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor. The hearing will be conducted by teleconference as well. (Toll Free) 605-472-5482 Access Code 261491.

Copies of the Action Plan will be provided to citizens and groups upon request and free of charge during the above comment period. Copies may also be converted to electronic media, Spanish and large print for the visually impaired and be delivered to homebound persons upon request.

All Community Development Block Grant Plans will be submitted to the Department of Housing & Urban Development upon approval from the Ashland Board of Commissioners.



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