

# PUBLIC COMMENTS REQUEST & PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

## HIDLAGO COUNTY URBAN COUNTY PROGRAM SUBSTANCIAL BUDGET & PROGRAM AMENDMENT

In compliance with the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) requirements, **Hidalgo County** will conduct a Public Hearing to solicit input from interested parties on their proposed substantial budget & program amendment to its Urban County Program **Fiscal Year 2020 to include the COVID 19 CDBG-CV AND ESG-CV1 & ESG-CV2.**

In accordance with Section 418.016 of the Texas Government Code, Governor Abbot has suspended various provisions that require government officials and members of the public to be physically present at a specified meeting location. As a result, all or some government officials may participate via videoconference. Additionally, members of the public are encouraged to watch the meetings online at : <https://www.hidalgocounty.us/1939/Commissioners-Court-LIVE> .

This notice is intended to provide general information to the public on the proposed substantial amendment. A substantial amendment is required when there is an addition and/or elimination of an activity previously described in an entity’s Consolidated or Action Plan, change in beneficiary type and/or a decrease of 20% or more in the number of low and moderate income beneficiaries.

The County is hereby soliciting comments during a Five (5) day comment period from **July 16, 2020 to July 20, 2020.** Interested parties are encouraged to make their views known on the **Substantial Amendment for CDBG-CV & ESG-CV1 & ESG-CV2 Funds** by calling or visiting the Urban County Program office, located at **1916 Tesoro Street, Pharr, Texas 78577, (956) 787-8127, Monday thru Friday from 8:00 AM to 12:00 PM and from 1:00 PM to 5:00 PM.** A more detailed listing of activities and explanation of the CDBG-CV AND ESG-CV1 & ESG-CV2 FUNDS will be made available to any interested party.

The Public Hearing will be held on **Tuesday, July 21,2020** which starts at **10:00 A.M.** at the **Hidalgo County Commissioner’s Court located at 100 E. Cano Street, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor, Edinburg, Texas 78540.**

To participate in public comment, please call: (956) 292-7630 and you will be given further instructions and be provided with a toll free number at that time. Please call between the hours of 9:30 A.M. and 10:00 A.M. to participate in the Urban County Program Public Hearing regarding the **2020 Substantial Amendment for COVID-19 CDBG-CV & ESG-CV1 & ESG-CV2.**

The Project lines items being amended are as follow:

<u>Existing Budget</u>	<u>FY &amp; Activity</u>	<u>Proposed Budget</u>	<u>Project Description</u>
\$0.00	CDBG-CV- PF- HEALTH FACILITY	\$3,000,000.00	Project includes the construction of a Health Facility for the public health response to the current worldwide pandemic COVID-19.
\$0.00	CDBG-CV PUBLIC SERVICE (GENERAL)	\$1,500,000.00	Project includes the purchase of furniture, fixtures and equipment for the overall operations of the Health Facility.
\$0.00	CDBG-CV-GENERAL ADMINISTRATION	\$59,466.00	Funds shall be used for expenses related to compliance with CDBG-CV requirements including but not limited to advertisements, postings and coordinating project activities and related eligible activities.
		\$4,559,466.00	<b>TOTAL CDBG-CV ALLOCATED FUNDS</b>
\$0.00	ESG-CV1 RAPID REHOUSING	\$300,000.00	Funds shall be used for expenses related to public services Rapid Re-Housing- Financial Rental Assistance,
\$0.00	ESG-CV1 HOMELESS PREVENTION	\$1,840,00.00	Homeless Prevention-Housing Relocation and Stabilization Services Financial Assistance.
\$0.00	ESG-CV GENERAL ADMINISTRATION	\$89,055.00	Funds shall be used for expenses related to compliance with ESG-CV1 requirements including but not limited to advertisements, postings and coordinating project activities and related eligible expenses for all activities.
		<b>\$2,229,055.00</b>	<b>TOTAL ESG-CV1 ALLOCATED FUNDS.</b>

\$0.00	ESG-CV1 RAPID REHOUSING	\$400,000.00	Funds shall be used for expenses related to public services for Rapid Re-Housing- Financial Rental Assistance,
\$0.00	ESG-CV1 HOMELESS PREVENTION	\$3,720,000.00	Funds shall be used for expenses related to public services for Homeless Prevention-Housing Relocation and Stabilization Services Financial Assistance.
\$0.00	ESG-CV GENERAL ADMINISTRATION	\$122,374.00	Funds shall be used for expenses related to compliance with ESG-CV requirements including but not limited to advertisements, postings and coordinating project activities and related eligible expenses for all activities.
		<b>\$4,242,374.00</b>	<b>TOTAL ESG-CV2 ALLOCATED FUNDS.</b>

The proposed Substantial Amendment to FY 2020 to include the CDBG-CV , ESG-CV1 and ESG-CV2 funds will be available for viewing at the Hidalgo County Urban County Program Office, Precinct No. 1, Precinct No. 2, Precinct No. 3, Precinct No. 4 offices. The proposed substantial amendments can also be viewed at the Hidalgo County Urban County Program webpage at <https://www.hidalgocounty.us/1454/Public-Notices>.

It is the objective of Hidalgo County to comply with Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended, the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) of 1990 and the ADA Amendment Act of 2008, the Fair Housing Act, and the Architectural Barriers Act in all respects. Persons with disabilities/handicapped, Non-English speaking, or limited English proficiency (LEP) who may require an interpreter shall be provided upon request by calling (956) 787-8127 at least three (3) days in advance. Persons who are deaf, hard-of-hearing, deaf-blind or speech-disabled may use Relay Texas at (800) 735-2989 to call the Hidalgo County Urban County Program (UCP) and request arrangements in order to participate in the citizen participation process. Hidalgo County Urban County Program does not discriminate on the basis of disability status in the admission of, or access to, or treatment in its federally assisted programs or activities.

The County of Hidalgo encourages citizen participation in the public comment process. If you are unable to attend the hearing, written comments will be accepted up to the date of the hearing. For more information, please contact the Hidalgo County Urban County Program office at (956) 787-8127. Written comments may be forwarded to:

**Hidalgo County-Urban County Program**  
**Patricio R. Avila, Director**  
**1916 Tesoro Street,**  
**Pharr, Texas 78577**

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