

CITY OF ALBUQUERQUE

NOTICE OF SECOND SUBSTANTIAL AMENDMENT TO THE CITY OF ALBUQUERQUE 2020 ANNUAL ACTION PLAN

FUNDING FROM THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT (HUD)

NOTICE OF 30-DAY PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

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Notice is hereby given that the City of Albuquerque, New Mexico proposes to amend its 2020 Annual Action Plan, the third year of the 2018- 2022 Consolidated Plan. This Second Substantial Amendment proposes to allow the City of Albuquerque, Department of Family and Community Services (FCS), to remove 4 activities that did not come to fruition and reallocate a portion of that funding to another activity. Two activities had Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funding allocations and two had HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME) and HOME Match allocations. Also, proposed is to allow NSP Program Income funds to be converted to CDBG entitlement funds.

The two Home Funded activities to be removed are: The Hopeworks TBRA activity in the amount of \$487,704.98 and the Sawmill CHDO activity in the amount of \$50,000.00. The HOME funds that were unutilized will be reallocated in the Program Year 2021 Action Plan.

The two Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) activities to be removed are: The Dennis Chavez Phase II Construction activity in the amount of \$728,524.00 and the Barelas Park Construction activity in the amount of \$1,350,000.00. The CDBG funds that were unutilized (minus the CDBG Program Income in the amount of \$115,000) will be reallocated to the Gibson Medical Center Acquisition Activity in the amount of \$2,146,639.00. The Gibson Medical Center, located at 5400 Gibson Blvd SE, will be used to provide health services including behavioral health, substance abuse disorders and services for people experiencing homelessness. Additionally, this Second Substantial Amendment proposes to convert all Neighborhood Stabilization Program (NSP) Program Income received to CDBG Entitlement funds and allocate them in the applicable Action Plan. To date, the City of Albuquerque has received \$202,904.46 and requests that this funding be allocated in the 2021 Action Plan.

A statutory, 30-day public comment period will begin on October 19, 2020 and end on November18, 2020 at 5:00 PM. All residents, property owners, persons with disabilities, immigrants, seniors, low-income, children and youth, homeless persons, and other stakeholders of the City of Albuquerque are encouraged to submit written comments or questions regarding the proposed Second Substantial Amendment to the 2020 Annual Action Plan to Monica Montoya, Department of Family and Community Services, located at Old City Hall, 400 Marquette NW, 5th Floor, Room 504, Albuquerque, NM 87102, or email at mtmontoya@cabq.gov.

In response to the COVID-19 coronavirus outbreak in New Mexico and the mandated Social Distancing requirements, the City of Albuquerque has closed all City buildings to the public. Therefore, a copy of the 2020 Annual Action Plan, as well as the 2018-2022 Consolidated Plan, will not be available for public review at the office of the Department of Family and Community Services, as typically provided. However, all documents are available anytime on the City of Albuquerque website at: http://www.cabq.gov/family/documents/publications. Copies in alternate formats (Braille, large print, etc.) and in Spanish translation may be provided upon request.

Summary:

The City of Albuquerque's 2020 Annual Action Plan, the third year of the 2018-2022 Consolidated Plan, requires that this proposed change to the Plan undergo a substantial amendment process. The substantial amendment must include public participation and a comment period of 30 days.

Fiscal Impact:

There is no fiscal impact. The U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development determines the amount of Entitlement funds that the City of Albuquerque receives each year. The proposed change to the Annual Action Plan through this amendment only involves a change in how the funds will be distributed

Background:

The City of Albuquerque is a HUD "entitlement" community. The funds are allocated from HUD directly to the City of Albuquerque and do not pass through the state government.

Public Participation:

All Albuquerque residents, property owners, persons with disabilities, immigrants, seniors, low-income, children and youth, homeless persons, and other stakeholders in Albuquerque are invited to review this proposed Second Substantial Amendment to the 2020 Annual Action Plan and comment on it in writing, until 5:00 PM on November 18, 2020. After receipt of public comments from the 30-day public comment period, the City of Albuquerque will address each comment in writing and will submit all comments and responses in its formal Second Substantial Amendment to HUD.