

2019-2020 Annual Action Plan Substantial Amendment 2019-07

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Summary

The City of Fresno (City) is a federal entitlement community that receives annual allocations of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). The City is required to prepare an Annual Action Plan detailing the uses of entitlement funds to meet its affordable housing and community development goals as outlined in its Consolidated Plan.

For program year 2019-2020, the City is proposing to make a substantial amendment to its submitted plan. The purpose of the substantial amendment is to reprogram CDBG-CV funds for the operations of emergency shelters.

On February 18, 2021, City Council approved Substantial Amendment 2019-06 to the 2019-2020 Annual Action Plan allocating CDBG-CV funds for emergency shelter operations and supportive services at Fresno Housing Authority (FHA) Homekey locations operated as emergency shelters including Days Inn and Welcome Inn. In February 2022, the FHA informed the City that they had secured funding for the conversion of the Sun Lodge Emergency Shelter (formerly known as Days Inn) to permanent housing. The Fresno Housing Authority requested to redirect CDBG-CV funding that would have been used for the emergency shelter operations of Sun Lodge to the operations of other FHA owned emergency shelters, including the Step Up on 99 Emergency Shelter.

As part of the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES Act) passed by the U.S. Congress and signed into law by the President on March 27, 2020, HUD has issued guidance modifying citizen participation requirements for supplemental coronavirus relief funds (CV funds) for substantial amendments during the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic. In order to reprogram the funds from Sun Lodge to other FHA owned emergency shelters, including Step Up on 99, a substantial amendment was required. On April 6, 2022, the City published Substantial Amendment 2019-07 to the 2019-2020 Annual Action Plan for the required fiveday public comment period.

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Sources of Funds

Table 1 - Source of Funds

Entitlement Grant	Program Year	Action Plan Project	IDIS Activity ID Number	Activity Name	Source Funding
CDBG-CV	2019	26	26	COVID-19 Shelter Operations	\$850,000
Total Sources to Be Reprogrammed					\$850,000

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Uses of Reprogrammed Funds

The City is proposing to redirect CDBG-CV funding that would have been used for the emergency shelter operations of Sun Lodge to the operations of other FHA owned emergency shelters, including the Step Up on 99 Emergency Shelter. The shelter will provide 99 rooms for emergency shelter.

Table 2 - Uses of Funds

Entitlement Grant	Program Year	Action Plan Project	IDIS Activity ID Number	Activity Name	Proposed Funding
CDBG-CV	2019	32	32	Emergency Shelter Operations & Supportive Services	\$850,000
Total Uses of Reprogrammed Funds					\$850,000

COVID-19 Emergency Shelter Operations and Supportive Services

\$850,000 in CDBG-CV funds will be used for emergency shelter operations and supportive services at FHA location(s), including Step Up on 99, operated as emergency shelters. Should FHA receive funds to convert Step Up on 99 to affordable housing before the CDBG-CV funds are fully expended, the City will use any balance to fund other FHA shelter locations.

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Integrated Data and Information System (IDIS) Project Information

Table 3 - IDIS Project Information

IDIS Field	IDIS Entry			
Program Year	2019			
Project ID No.	32			
Project Name	COVID-19 Emergency Shelter Operations and Supportive Services			
Target Area	Citywide			
Goals Supported	Homelessness and the Prevention of Homelessness			
Needs Addressed	Homelessness / Prevent, Prepare for, and Respond to the coronavirus (COVID-19)			
Funding	CDBG-CV: \$850,000			
Description	Funds will be utilized to support emergency shelter beds with supportive services and shelter operations by the Fresno Housing Authority			
Target Date	December 31, 2024			
Goal	300 persons assisted			
Location Description	Citywide			
Planned Activity	03T: Homeless/AIDS Patients Programs			

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