

PUBLIC NOTICE

CITY OF PATERSON NOTICE OF SUBSTANTIAL AMENDMENT FOR ANNUAL ACTION PLAN 2019 AND 2020 WHICH INCLUDED THE AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS FROM THE CARES ACT FUNDS

Annually, the City of Paterson receives entitlement funds from the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), HOME Investment Partnership (HOME), Housing Opportunities for People with AIDS (HOPWA), and Homeless Emergency Solution Grant (ESG) Programs. HUD requires that the City submit an Annual Action Plan every year.

The purpose of the Substantial Amendment is to revise the CDBG budget for program years 2019 and 2020. The CDBG funds were originally awarded to the Neighborhood Assistance Office for a neighborhood cleanup program (\$50,000), the Paterson Community Health Center, Inc. for mental health services (\$50,000), and the NJ Association on Correction Passaic County Women Center (\$32,750). The CDBG funds in the amount of \$132,750 will be reallocated to eligible public services activities only. Also, from program year 2020, there is \$262,000 available under contingency for eligible public facilities projects.

The Substantial Amendment is also to advise the public of the availability of funds under the CARES ACT, CDBG round 3 (CDBG-CV3) in the amount of \$1,909,542 and ESG round 2 (ESG-CV2 contingency) in the amount of \$120,781.60. These funds are to be used only to prevent, prepare and respond to the Coronavirus disease.

All interested persons are encourage to complete an application, which is available for download at the City's website www.patersonnj.gov/cd. **Completed applications (one signed original and two copies) must be submitted by 12:00 Noon on Monday, November 23, 2020**, to the Department of Community Development located at 125 Ellison Street, 2nd Floor, Paterson, NJ 07505.

The City has revised its citizen participation policy as follows: During declared emergency situations, such as pandemics or natural disasters, the requirement to publish the notice and summary in a newspaper of general circulation may be suspended. However, the Municipal Council has requested DCD to public this Notice in the three main local newspapers. The City shall also publish this notice on the City of Paterson's website www.patersonnj.gov and promote such advertisements on social media as available. Furthermore, a shorter time period for notification may be allowable by HUD waivers.

Once drafted, the Action Plan Amendment documents will be available for public review and comments at the City's website; www.patersonnj.gov/cd. In accordance with the citizen participation requirements, as revised, the public will have five (5) days to review the document and provide their input in writing to Barbara Blake-McLennon, Acting Director of the Department of Community Development to the address referenced-above for inclusion in the Amendment document that will be submitted to HUD.

By order of:

Andrè Sayegh, Mayor

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