

Seminole County Government
Notice of Intent to Make Substantial Amendments,
Meeting Notice, and Request for Public Comment
Regarding Amendments to
FY 2015-2019 Consolidated Plan &
FY 2019/2020 Annual Action Plan (Amendment #4)
In Response to COVID-19 Health Crisis

Seminole County intends to make substantial amendments to the FY 2015-2019 Consolidated Plan and FY 2019/2020 Action Plan to program supplemental Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) dollars from the US Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). The grants will be used to respond to the impacts of COVID-19. It will be used for eligible costs to prepare for, respond to and prevent the spread of COVID-19. The grant can also be used to take measures to provide mortgage assistance to eligible low income homeowners to prevent foreclosures and displacement. Seminole County is eligible to receive a supplemental round of CDBG (CDBG-CV-3) funds in the amount of \$2,006,356.

The proposed amendments are as follows:

CDBG-CV1- \$1,238,297

- Reallocating CDBG-CV-1 funds in the amount of \$1,238,297 made available to HUD by the CARES ACT. Funds will be used to recover costs of non-duplicative County COVID-19 expenses From February 2020 to present. The expenses includes costs to prepare, respond to and prevent the spread of COVID-19.
- Funds became available through the cancellation of economic development strategy. Area businesses were assisted quickly through Federal Funds from the U.S. Treasury Department. Seminole County is slated to receive additional Treasury funds specifically for businesses. CDBG-CV funds cannot be used in a duplicative manner. Therefore, the CDBG-CV-1 funds required reallocation to other eligible activities.

CDBG-CV-3 \$2,006,356

- Programing CDBG-CV-3 funds in the amount of \$2,006,356 made available to HUD by the CARES ACT. The funds will be used for the following:
- Funds will be used to recover costs of non-duplicative County COVID-19 expenses from February 2020 to present. The expenses include costs to prepare respond to and prevent the spread of COVID-19.
- Rental/ mortgage assistance program for low-income households and associated housing counseling and legal services, if necessary.
- Public services related to COVID-19 response, examples include testing, vaccination, and foodbanks.
- Program Planning and Administration-a portion of the grant may be used to cover staffing costs necessary to implement programs.

The proposed plan changes will be available for public review and comment from March 1, 2021, to March 12, 2021, in accordance with the expedited public comment process permitted by HUD for the Covid-19 response. The public is encouraged to refer to the Seminole County Community Services website to review the amendments at <http://www.seminolecountyfl.gov/departments-services/community-services/> .

Please email comments to mfrederick@seminolecountyfl.gov. Written comments may also be mailed to Melody B. Frederick, Compliance Officer, Seminole County Community Services 534 W. Lake Mary Blvd, Sanford, Florida 32773. The substantial amendments will be presented to the Seminole County Board of County Commissioners for approval on March 9, 2021, at their Regular Board Meeting. The County Services Building is located at 1101 E. First St, Sanford, FL. Participants may attend the meeting in person (masks are required) or virtually <http://www.seminolecountyfl.gov/departments-services/county-managers-office/sgtv/> and on SGTv. Interested parties may call in live to the Commission meeting at (407) 665-0808.