



Tarrant County, Texas
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Substantial Amendments to the 2020 Annual Action Plan for HUD Care's Act funding

Background: Tarrant County's Annual Action Plan details the funding strategy for the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG), HOME Investment Partnership, and other emergency grants each year. These Annual Action Plans implement a jurisdiction's Five-Year Consolidated Plan and are developed through significant public input, analyses, and planning. The County's Citizen Participation Plan (CPP) describes the efforts that the County will take to encourage its residents to participate in developing these plans. It also provides requirements for public process when a "substantial amendment" to the Annual Action Plan is proposed.

The following changes constitute a substantial amendment and require public notice as described in the CPP, unless waived under a HUD Notice:

- Increases or decreases by the greater of \$100,000 or a 25% change in the amount allocated to a category of funding
- A significant change to an activity's proposed beneficiaries or persons served
- Funding of a new activity not previously described in the Action Plan Proposed Substantial Amendment

Public Process: Tarrant County will publish a public notice in the Commercial Recorder as part of the CPP requirements. Unless waived, a public hearing will be held with each amendment required to provide opportunities for public comment during Tarrant County Commissioner's Court.

NOTE: Waiver in HUD Notice CPD 21-08 F. 2. b. "ESG-CV funds ... are not subject to the consultation and citizen participation requirements that otherwise apply to the Emergency Solutions Grants program, including the requirements under 24 CFR 91.100, 91.105, 91.110, and 91.115. However, as required by the CARES Act, each recipient must publish how it has used and will use its allocation, at a minimum, on the Internet at the appropriate government website or through other electronic media."

Comments may be provided to Mr. James A. McClinton by email (JAMcClinton@TarrantCounty.com), phone (817-850-7940), or in writing addressed to: Tarrant County Community Development and Housing, 1509 B South University Drive, Suite 276, Fort Worth, TX 76107.

HUD's CARES Act Funding Summary

Program	Community Development Block Grant – Care's Act (CDBG-CV)	Emergency Solutions Grant – Care's Act (ESG-CV)
Allocation	\$2,490,600 (Round 1 – 04/02/2020) \$3,939,788 (Round 3 – 09/11/2020) <i>NOTE: Round 2 went to States ONLY</i>	\$844,131 (Round 1 – 04/02/2020) \$2,734,655 (Round 2 – 06/09/2020)
Geographic eligibility	Tarrant County residents, OUTSIDE of Cities of Arlington, Fort Worth and Grand Prairie.	Tarrant County homeless residents
Expenditure Deadline	June 30, 2023 (80% minimum) June 30, 2026 (100% expended) September 30, 2026 (Grant Close Out)	September 30, 2021 (20% minimum) June 30, 2022 (100% expended) September 30, 2022 (Grant Close Out)
Eligible Activities	Subsistence Payments Microenterprise Public Facilities & Infrastructure Public Services Administration	Homelessness Prevention Emergency Shelter and Temporary Shelters (Operations, essential services, & rehabilitation) Street Outreach Administration Vaccination Incentives
Initial Approved Activities in Action Plan 2020	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Subsistence Payments • Microenterprise • Public facilities and Infrastructure <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Euleess Canopy at Senior Center • Public Services <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2. Boys & Girls Club Mobile Program 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Homeless Prevention • Emergency Shelter <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. True Worth Place 2. ACH 3. Arlington Life Shelter 4. Salvation Army 5. Presbyterian Night Shelter • Temporary Shelter <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 6. Homeless COVID shelter • Street Outreach <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 7. Hands of Hope 8. Tarrant County Homeless Coalition • Administration
Substantial Amendments to Action Plan 2020 <i>(see below in specific categories for more detail)</i>	<p>October 2, 2020 – To add Round 3 funding to Tarrant County's program</p> <p>May 28, 2021 – To increase funding to Euleess' CV Canopy project to \$382,777</p>	<p>October 2, 2020 – To add Round 2 funding to Tarrant County's program</p> <p>September 10, 2021 – Reallocate \$216,218 from Homeless Prevention activity and re-assign \$698,775 within essential services category to provide Hazard Pay to six (6) agencies, Vaccination Incentives to homeless and additional funds to Temporary COVID Shelter</p>

Action Plan Goals and Objectives

Goal Descriptions for Care's Act funding ONLY

AP-38 Project Summary

Project Summary Information

1	Project Category	PUBLIC INFRASTRUCTURE AND FACILITIES
	Goal Description	Public Facility or Infrastructure Activities to prepare, prevent, and respond to coronavirus such as providing barriers or installing infrastructure to encourage physical distancing; making improvements to recreational facilities, child care centers, park paths and health facilities; removing ADA barriers, and providing improvements to senior centers.
	Goals Supported	Public Infrastructure and Facilities
	Needs Addressed	Non-Housing Community Development
	Total Funding in Action Plan	CDBG-CV: \$2,050,000
	Current Projects Funded	1. Eules Senior Center (300 W. Midway Dr, Eules, TX 76039) = \$ 263,533. Originally, up to \$382,777 allocated after 05/28/2021 amendment. TOTAL = \$382,777.00
	Target Begin Date	10/02/2020
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	From Eules Senior Center Canopy = 100 seniors annually TOTAL ASSISTED = 100
	Approved Activities	1. Eules Senior Center Canopy to avail programming for 100 seniors in a safe socially distant open air area. \$ 382,777 allocated after 05/28/2021 amendment.
	NEW Substantial Amendment Public comment open till [DATE]	<i>Information in this section will be available ONLY when there is a NEW Substantial Amendment</i>
2	Project Category	MICROENTERPRISE
	Goal Description	To address emergencies due to COVID-19; Assist microenterprises that provide medical, food delivery, cleaning and other services to support home health and quarantine. Provide transportation alternatives to expand on economic opportunities.
	Goals Supported	Care's Act Economic Development
	Needs Addressed	Non-Housing Community Development
	TOTAL Funding in Action Plan	CDBG-CV: \$600,000
	Current Projects Funded	No microenterprises assisted to date due to other federal funding used.
	Target Begin Date	10/02/2020

	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	ESTIMATED 75 businesses may be assisted to prevent closure and job loss, microenterprises assisted with new business to help combat the effects of COVID-19 and/or persons provided transportation to expand on economic opportunities.
	Approved Activity Descriptions	None to date due to other federal resources being applied.
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3	Project Category	PUBLIC SERVICES
	Goal Description	Avail funds to assist low/moderate income persons to prepare, prevent, and respond to coronavirus in public service activities such as; Provide Testing sites and supplies to prevent and respond to COVID-19. Provide food delivery and other transportation services related to respond to the spread of COVID-19. Provide equipment, supplies and materials necessary to carry out a public service to prevent and respond to the spread of COVID-19.
	Goals Supported	Subsistence Payments (Emergency rental assistance) Public Services
	Needs Addressed	Affordable Housing Non-Housing Community Development Non-Homeless Special Needs
	TOTAL Funding in Action Plan	CDBG-CV: \$2,494,311
	Current Projects Funded	1. Boys & Girls Club = \$144,402.56 2. Subsistence Payments (Emergency Rental and utility assistance) = \$750,000 TOTAL Funding = \$894,402.56
	Target Begin Date	10/02/2020
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	1. Boys and Girls Club = 425 persons 2. Subsistence Payments = 260 families TOTAL ASSISTED = 685
	Approved Activity Descriptions	1. Boys & Girls Club will provide services with a new Mobile unit where services are provided to areas and persons that are low- moderate income on a modified RV bus. Tarrant Area Food Bank, public health and other agencies will also provide services to serve at least 425 youth from families that have low moderate incomes. \$144,402.56 allocated till June 30, 2022 with potential annual renewal. 2. Emergency Rental and utility assistance to landlord for approximately 260 persons/families due to job loss or other emergency due to COVID-19
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4	Project Category	EMERGENCY SHELTER
	Goal Description	Provide funds to non-profit agencies to provide shelter and support to homeless persons to help prepare, prevent and respond to coronavirus. Eligible activities include Shelter operations, additional cleaning supplies, HVAC improvements, essential services where additional personnel or hazard pay will assist with the additional work load due to coronavirus, vaccine incentives, and administration and operating costs of temporary shelter to house homeless with COVID-19.
	Goals Supported	Emergency Shelter Operations, Essential Services and Rehabilitation
	Needs Addressed	Affordable Housing Homelessness
	TOTAL Funding in Action Plan	ESG-CV = \$ 2,828,825.00
	Current Projects Funded	1. Emergency Shelter (Operations and Essential services) = \$500,000. 2. Temporary Shelter = \$1,412,600 TOTAL = \$ 1,912,600.00
	Target Begin Date	10/02/2020
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Emergency Shelter Operations = 14,386 persons (duplicated) Temporary Shelter = # dependent on # of COVID-19 cases. TOTAL = 14,386+
	Approved Activities	1. Emergency Shelter (utility costs and COVID-19 supplies) for 5 Shelters: True Worth Place = \$100,698 ACH = \$20,700 Arlington Life Shelter = \$15,698 Salvation Army = \$232,206 Presbyterian Night Shelter = \$130,698 2. Temporary Homeless COVID shelter (Expenses related to COVID-19 for staff, property rental, COVID supplies, etc.) = \$1,412,600.
NEW Substantial Amendment Public comment open till [09/19/2021]	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ten (10) months of Hazard Pay for six (6) emergency shelters to pay frontline shelter staff who are working directly to prevent, prepare and respond to coronavirus among people who are experiencing homeless. \$609,000. allocated Vaccination incentives at \$50 gift card or pre-paid credit/debit card per dose of vaccine given directly to people experiencing homelessness. Approximately 2,700 doses for \$136,000 allocation. Additional funds to the temporary emergency shelter due to increased spike of Delta variant and increased number of clients using facility. \$170,000 allocated. 	
5	Project Category	HOMELESSNESS PREVENTION
	Goal Description	Meeting a needs gap in the community, funds will be used to assist low income persons with (< 50% AMI) with short term rental assistance to prevent homelessness. Persons or households must have a notice to vacate or an eviction letter and be at risk of homelessness.

	Goals Supported	Homelessness prevention
	Needs Addressed	Affordable Housing Homelessness
	TOTAL Funding in Action Plan	ESG-CV = \$ 432,218
	Current Projects Funded	Tarrant County Homeless Prevention Program = \$432,218
	Target Begin Date	10/02/2020
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	ESG-CV homelessness prevention = 55 families served for up to 6 months
	Approved Activities	Tarrant County's in-house Homelessness Prevention Program will assist approximately 55 persons/HHLDs with incomes less than 50% Area Median Income and have an eviction or letter to vacate for up to six (6) months with rental assistance. = \$432,218 originally allocated.
	NEW Substantial Amendment Public comment open till [09/19/2021]	Due to substantial amount of ARRA funds from U.S. Treasury and eviction moratorium from CDC, funds in this category have been difficult to expend. Funds will be decreased to \$216,000 thereby reallocating the balance to another project. Rental assistance will be continued using other sources or federal funding.
6	Project Category	STREET OUTREACH
	Goal Description	Essential services related to reaching out to unsheltered homeless individuals and families. Connecting them with emergency shelter, housing or critical services, urgent care or non-facility based care. Eligible costs include engagement, case management, emergency health and mental health services, transportation and specific services for special populations.
	Goals Supported	Street Outreach
	Needs Addressed	Affordable Housing Homelessness
	TOTAL Funding in Action Plan	ESG-CV = \$176,090
	Current Projects Funded	1. Hands of Hope = \$111,090 2. Tarrant Count Homeless Coalition = \$ 65,000 TOTAL = \$176,090
	Target Begin Date	10/02/2020
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Estimated 250 homeless persons assisted throughout Tarrant County.

	Approved Activities	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Hands of Hope will reaching out to unsheltered homeless individuals and families. Connecting them with emergency shelter, housing or critical services, urgent care or non-facility based care with additional screening and assistance for coronavirus. \$111,090 allocated for two full-time outreach workers to assist approximately 100 homeless persons. 2. Tarrant County Homeless Coalition will help manage unsheltered homeless individuals and families. Connecting them with emergency shelter, housing or critical services, urgent care or non-facility based care. \$65,000 for one outreach coordinator to moderate approximately 150 homeless persons.
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7	Project Category	RAPID RE-HOUSING
	Goal Description	Provide rapid re-housing via rental and utility assistance for homeless persons for up to two years with case management
	Goals Supported	Rapid rehousing
	Needs Addressed	Affordable Housing Homelessness
	TOTAL Funding in Action Plan	ESG-CV: \$ 0
	Current Project Funded	None to date
	Target Begin Date	None to date
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	None to date due to other existing programs with same intent for same audience.
	Approved Activities	Eligible activity in Action Plan, but no agencies approved
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8	Project Category	ADMINISTRATION
	Goal Description	Funds to pay for the administration of all grants. Salaries, rent, utility costs, services, and resources to execute Care's Act programs relating to Coronavirus.
	Goals Supported	Administration
	Needs Addressed	Affordable Housing Homelessness Non-Housing Community Development Non-Homeless Special Needs
	Total Funding in Action Plan	CDBG-CV: \$1,286,077 ESG-CV: \$357,871

Current Projects Funded	Funds to pay for the administration of all grants. Salaries, rent and utility costs and etc. are covered. Additional personnel will be hired to assist with programming related to COVID-19
Target Begin Date	10/02/2020
Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Not Applicable
Location Description	Administration will occur at 1509 B South University Dr, Suite 276, Fort Worth, TX 76107
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