

FORT BEND COUNTY, TEXAS
FY 2019
CONSOLIDATED ANNUAL ACTION PLAN

SEPTEMBER 1, 2019- AUGUST 31, 2020

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM
HOME PROGRAM
EMERGENCY SOLUTIONS GRANT PROGRAM
EMERGENCY SOLUTIONS GRANT PROGRAM CORONAVIRUS
(ESG CV)



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Executive Summary

AP-05 Executive Summary - 24 CFR 91.200(c), 91.220(b)

1. Introduction

Each year the County must submit a Consolidated Annual Action Plan to discuss the activities Fort Bend County will undertake to address priority needs and local objectives with the anticipated resources it will receive during the program year. These resources include the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME), Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) Programs and other U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) programs, as well as, all local resources it will receive and/or allocate to these activities. The Annual Action Plan also includes the Standard Form 424 for the County's CDBG, HOME, and ESG Programs, program certifications, and other required HUD documentation.

This document is a substantial amendment to FY 2019 for the ESG COVID-19 Program funds.

2. Summarize the objectives and outcomes identified in the Plan

This could be a restatement of items or a table listed elsewhere in the plan or a reference to another location. It may also contain any essential items from the housing and homeless needs assessment, the housing market analysis or the strategic plan.

Fort Bend County will receive \$3,090,195 in FY 2019 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program funds from HUD. The County will receive \$737,236 in HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME) Program funds and \$224,896 in Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) Program funds directly from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for program year 2019 (September 1, 2019 to August 31, 2020).

In March of 2020, HUD allocated Fort Bend County a special Emergency Solutions Grants (ESG) Program funds in the amount of \$936,303, authorized by the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES Act), Public Law 16-36. These special ESG-CV fund are to be used to prevent, prepare for, and respond to the coronavirus pandemic (COVID-19) among individuals and families who are homeless or receiving homeless assistance; and to support additional homeless assistance and homelessness prevention activities to mitigate the impacts of COVID-19.

The projects to be funded in FY 2019 are listed below by funding source.

CDBG: \$2,245,591 in public facility/improvements; \$310,773 in public services; \$533,831 in program administration.

HOME: \$463,513 FBC Housing Rehabilitation Program; \$200,000.00 HAUCDC/CHDO set-aside; \$73,723 in program administration.

ESG: \$133,840 for emergency shelter operations and services; \$74,189 available for rapid rehousing, housing prevention and stabilization services; \$16,867 for program administration.

ESG COVID-19: \$936,303 for shelter operations and services, 10% of program administration

Housing assistance for

homeless persons, especially those with COVID or awaiting COVID test results;

persons or families (<50 percent of MFI) with COVID or awaiting test results and/or quarantined with loss of income;

persons or families (<50 of percent of MFI) with loss of income due to coronavirus closure order;

HMIS costs related to coordinated access and ESG COVID-19 reporting.

3. Evaluation of past performance

This is an evaluation of past performance that helped lead the grantee to choose its goals or projects.

The County's FY 2018 program year ends on August 31, 2019 and FY 2019 begins on September 1, 2019. The FY 2019 Consolidated Annual Action Plan is the fifth year of the 2015 Consolidated Plan. A review of the fourth year activities will not be available until November 2019, with the submission of the FY 2018 Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER) to HUD. There were several five (5) year goals and objectives that were not addressed in the FY 2015 - 2019 Annual Action Plans. These goals remain to be addressed in future Consolidated and Annual Action Plans.

4. Summary of Citizen Participation Process and consultation process

Summary from citizen participation section of plan.

Fort Bend County published public notices on the County's website and in a newspaper of general circulation during the planning process announcing the dates and times of public meetings and the availability of the FY 2019 Request for Proposals for the CDBG, HOME, and ESG Programs. According to

Fort Bend County's regular schedule, the FY 2019 Consolidated Annual Action Plan is due to HUD on July 18, 2019.

In February of 2019, HUD's Community Planning and Development (CPD) Notice 19-01 stated that any grantee with a program year start date prior to, or up to 60 days after, HUD's announcement of the FY 2019 formula program funding allocations was advised not to submit its consolidated plan or action plan until the FY 2019 formula allocations had been announced. The FY 2019 allocations were announced by HUD on April 15, 2019. Fort Bend County's plan is due to HUD by July 18, 2018. The County has over 60 days to submit its plan from the date of this announcement, so the procedures in CPD Notice 18-01 do not apply to Fort Bend County for FY 2019. Fort Bend County's thirty (30) day comment period will be from May 24, 2019 to June 25, 2019.

5. Summary of public comments

This could be a brief narrative summary or reference an attached document from the Citizen Participation section of the Con Plan.

Any written comments received during the development of the FY 2019 Consolidated Annual Action Plan will be included in Appendix A.

6. Summary of comments or views not accepted and the reasons for not accepting them

See Appendix A: Public Participation Summary.

7. Summary

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PR-05 Lead & Responsible Agencies – 91.200(b)

1. Agency/entity responsible for preparing/administering the Consolidated Plan

Describe the agency/entity responsible for preparing the Consolidated Plan and those responsible for administration of each grant program and funding source.

| Agency Role | | Name | Department/Agency |
|--------------------|------------------|---|-------------------|
| CDBG Administrator | FORT BEND COUNTY | Fort Bend County Community Development Department | |
| HOME Administrator | FORT BEND COUNTY | Fort Bend County Community Development Department | |
| ESG Administrator | FORT BEND COUNTY | Fort Bend County Community Development Department | |

Table 1 – Responsible Agencies

Narrative (optional)

The Fort Bend County Community Development Department (FBCCDD) was created by Fort Bend County Commissioners Court in 1992 to administer the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program for the County. The CDBG program was authorized under Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974. For a county to receive CDBG program funds directly from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), the combined population in both the unincorporated and incorporated areas, that entered into an interlocal agreement with the county, must be at least 200,000 persons. The 1990 Census indicated that Fort Bend County's population increased to more than 200,000 persons. As a result, Fort Bend County was designated as an urban county by HUD and was entitled to receive CDBG Program funds directly from HUD. In 1994, Fort Bend County became a participating jurisdiction for the HOME Program and was entitled to receive HOME Program funds directly from HUD. In 1995, Fort Bend County became an Emergency Shelter Grant (ESG) Entitlement Area and received ESG Program funds directly from HUD. In 2004, Fort Bend County became a PJ for the American Dream Downpayment Initiative Program and received allocations of FY 2003 and FY 2004 ADDI Program funds. The Homeless Emergency Assistance and Rapid Transition to Housing Act of 2009 (HEARTH Act) amended the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act, including major revisions to the Emergency Shelter Grant (ESG) Program, now the Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) Program. During FY 2011, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) implemented the transition to the Emergency Solutions Grant Program for FY 2012.

The Fort Bend County Community Development Department is the lead agency in the Consolidated Planning Process required by HUD. The service area for the Fort Bend County FY 2019 Consolidated Annual Action Plan includes the unincorporated areas of the County and the incorporated areas of Arcola, Beasley, Fairchilds, Fulshear, Kendleton, Meadows Place, Needville, Orchard, Pleak, Richmond, Rosenberg, Simonton, Stafford, Sugar Land and Thompsons. The County's service area does not include the cities of Houston, Katy, Missouri City, or Weston Lakes.

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AP-10 Consultation – 91.100, 91.200(b), 91.215(I)

1. Introduction

For FY 2019, the service area for Fort Bend County will include the unincorporated areas of the County and the incorporated areas of Arcola, Beasley, Fairchilds, Fulshear, Kendleton, Meadows Place, Needville, Orchard, Pleak, Richmond, Rosenberg, Simonton, Stafford, Sugar Land and Thompsons. The County's service area does not include the cities of Houston, Katy, Missouri City, or Weston Lakes located within the County. As an urban county, Fort Bend County coordinates and consults with most of the incorporated areas/cities/towns in the County including, Missouri City and the City of Houston. As part of the urban qualification process, Fort Bend County consulted extensively with the Cities of Simonton and Sugar Land to expedite their return as part of the County's HUD entitlement service area.

In February of 2019, HUD issued the 2011-2015 Low and Moderate Income Summary Data (LMISD). This data replaced prior LMISD for demonstrating compliance with the CDBG National Objective of providing benefit to low and moderate income persons on an area basis. The Cities of Beasley and Orchard became eligible for CDBG area benefit activities with the 2015 LMISD. The County contacted these jurisdictions to let them know of their eligibility for FY 2019 CDBG Program funds. Both jurisdictions applied and their project were funded.

Provide a concise summary of the jurisdiction's activities to enhance coordination between public and assisted housing providers and private and governmental health, mental health and service agencies (91.215(I))

The staff of the Fort Bend County Community Development Department will continue to work with other County departments, local governments, non-profits, neighborhood groups, and interested individuals to improve communication, consultation, and coordination among groups. The department also maintains a mailing list of individuals and organizations interested in various housing and community development issues.

The department will continue to provide information to interested individuals and organizations, and to work with groups with similar interests in the development of projects. The public and assisted housing providers include the Rosenberg Public Housing Authority, FB CORPs and FB Habitat for Humanity. The private and governmental health, mental health and services agencies include the Fort Bend County Social Services Department, the Fort Bend County Behavioral Health Services, and Texana Mental Health.

In addition, the staff of the FBC Community Development Department regularly attends monthly meetings of Fort Bend Connect. This group is a community networking group that includes members from a wide variety of organizations that strive to address multiple health and human services needs in Fort Bend County.

As a result of the flooding disasters of 2015, 2016, and 2017 and their associated CDBG-DR Program funds, the staff of the FBC Community Development Department increased its coordination with the FBC Office of Emergency Management (OEM) and representatives of the State of Texas General Land Office (GLO).

Describe coordination with the Continuum of Care and efforts to address the needs of homeless persons (particularly chronically homeless individuals and families, families with children, veterans, and unaccompanied youth) and persons at risk of homelessness.

During FY 2019, the County in coordination with the Continuum of Care will address the needs of homeless persons and persons at risk of homelessness. The County used the standardized ESG guidelines in the FY 2019 ESG RFP. The County will provide funding for emergency shelter operations and services to the FBC Women's Center and the Parks Youth Ranch. The FBCWC provides assistance to women and children who are victims of domestic violence. The Parks Youth Ranch provides assistance to homeless youth. The County also will allocate FY 2019 ESG Program funds for Rapid Re-Housing and Homelessness Prevention during FY 2019.

Describe consultation with the Continuum(s) of Care that serves the jurisdiction's area in determining how to allocate ESG funds, develop performance standards for and evaluate outcomes of projects and activities assisted by ESG funds, and develop funding, policies and procedures for the operation and administration of HMIS

During FY 2019, the County will continue to work with the service providers implementing the ESG Rapid Re-housing and Homeless Prevention assistance to increase their capacity to provide services to program participants. In addition, the County also will work with the Coalition for the Homeless Houston/Harris County to implement the centralized and/or coordinated assessment system required by the ESG Program regulation and improve participation in the HMIS by County service providers. Fort Bend County CDD staff participates in monthly workgroup meetings regarding ESG and Rapid Re-Housing Expansion Planning along with representatives of the Cities of Houston and Pasadena and Harris County. This group established the Continuum-wide ESG program guidelines and standards. In addition, the FBC Community Development Department Director serves on the Coalition for the Homeless Houston/Harris County/Fort Bend County's Steering Committee.

During the latter part of FY 2016, the Coalition started a United Way Fort Bend Homeless Network Workgroup. This group meets quarterly. The Coalition started a FB Homeless Prevention Workgroup. Amber Passo, the Coalition's Project Manager for Fort Bend County also continues to conduct homelessness assessments on Tuesdays and Thursdays at various homeless and social service providers in Fort Bend County such as Fort Bend County Social Services, Salvation Army and Katy Christian Ministries.

2. Describe Agencies, groups, organizations and others who participated in the process and describe the jurisdiction's consultations with housing, social service agencies and other entities

Table 2 – Agencies, groups, organizations who participated

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| 1 | Agency/Group/Organization | COALITION FOR THE HOMELESS OF HOUSTON/HARRIS COUNTY |
| | Agency/Group/Organization Type | Services-homeless |
| | What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation? | Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless Homeless Needs - Families with children Homelessness Needs - Veterans Homelessness Needs - Unaccompanied youth Homelessness Strategy |
| | Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination? | Fort Bend County participates in the Continuum of Care that is administered by the Coalition for the Homeless of Houston/Harris County. The FBC Community Development Department Director serves on the CoC Coordinating Council. A staff member attends meeting of the ESG Workgroup that is part of the Coordinated Access System. In addition, the FBC uses the Coordinated Access to administer the Rapid ReHousing/Homelessness Prevention Program administered by the County's Behavioral Health Services Department. |
| 2 | Agency/Group/Organization | HOUSTON AREA URBAN LEAGUE |
| | Agency/Group/Organization Type | Housing Services - Housing Neighborhood Organization |
| | What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation? | Housing Need Assessment downpayment assistance |
| | Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination? | The Houston Area Urban League Community Development Corporation (HAUCDC) indicated it was interested in providing downpayment services to the Fort Bend County area. The HAUCDC submitted a FY 2019 HOME Program application and was awarded \$200,000 for a downpayment program. |

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| 3 | Agency/Group/Organization | City of Beasley |
| | Agency/Group/Organization Type | Other government - Local |
| | What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation? | Sewer Improvements |
| | Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination? | FBC contacted incorporated areas that they were eligible for area benefit activities according to the newly released Low and Moderate Income Summary Data (LMISD) for the CDBG Program. This new data was effective as of April 1, 2019. The City of Beasley submitted an FY 2019 CDBG application and was awarded CDBG Program funds for a sanitary sewer improvements project. |
| 4 | Agency/Group/Organization | City of Orchard |
| | Agency/Group/Organization Type | Other government - Local |
| | What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation? | Non housing Community Development |
| | Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination? | FBC contacted incorporated areas that were eligible for area benefit activities according to the newly released Low and Moderate Income Summary Data (LMISD) for the CDBG Program. This new data was effective as of April 1, 2019. The City of Orchard submitted a FY 2019 CDBG application and was awarded CDBG Program funds for a water storage tank project. |
| 5 | Agency/Group/Organization | Houston-Galveston Area Council |
| | Agency/Group/Organization Type | Regional organization |
| | What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation? | Non Housing Community Development |

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|---|---|
| <p>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</p> | <p>The Houston-Galveston Area Council (H-GAC) staff worked with the U.S. Bureau of the Census staff to administer the 2020 Census Participant Statistical Areas Program (PSAP). This program provided the opportunity for local governments to review and update selected statistical area boundaries for the 2020 Census data tabulation. This program process started in January of 2019 and concluded in May of 2019. Several Fort Bend County staff participated in this program process to ensure that the 2020 Census Tract boundary alignments reflected the best interests of the County.</p> |
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Identify any Agency Types not consulted and provide rationale for not consulting

During the development of the FY 2019 Consolidated Annual Action Plan the staff of the FBC Community Development Department has continual communication with current of existing housing, social service agency and local government subrecipients. The Department receives inquiries regarding the availability of CDBG, HOME and ESG Program funds from various individuals, housing and social service organizations and local governments through the program year. During FY 2019, new requests for information and/or RFPs were received from a few individuals and non-profits and groups regarding the availability of funds for Hurricane Harvey damage. Many organizations will not apply for federal funds because of the various regulations that must be followed given their specific programs. Small organizations often do not have the organizational capacity to carry-out their programmatic responsibilities in addition to the extra burden of federal eligibility, reporting and record-keeping requirements. Other organization's service areas do not align with the County's service area and they choose not to apply for funding.

Other local/regional/state/federal planning efforts considered when preparing the Plan

| Name of Plan | Lead Organization | How do the goals of your Strategic Plan overlap with the goals of each plan? |
|-------------------|--|---|
| Continuum of Care | Coalition for the Homeless Houston Harris County | Yes, the Way Home is the guiding planning document for homeless services in the Houston Metropolitan Area. FBC uses the ESG Written Guidelines, Performance Standards, and Business Rules for its programs. |

Table 3 – Other local / regional / federal planning efforts

Narrative (optional)

During the process of the developing the FY 2019 Consolidated Annual Action Plan, FBCCDD staff was contacted by individuals and groups regarding assistance for Hurricane Harvey damage. Individuals seeking housing assistance were referred to the Texas General Land Office (GLO) website and their individuals were referred to the United Way and/or Fort Bend Recovers for services.

AP-12 Participation – 91.105, 91.200(c)

1. Summary of citizen participation process/Efforts made to broaden citizen participation Summarize citizen participation process and how it impacted goal-setting

The development of the FY 2019 Fort Bend County Consolidated Annual Action Plan began in January of 2019. The County published a public notice on Thursday, February 27, 2019 regarding the availability of the FY 2019 Requests For Proposals (RFPs) and the date of public meetings. The FY 2019 CDBG, HOME and ESG Request for Proposals (RFPs) were emailed and mailed out on March 1, 2019. The County maintains a mailing list of individuals, non-profit organizations, and local governments interested in various housing and community development issues.

These individuals, organizations, and local governments are emailed or mailed the requests for proposals (RFPs) they requested. In addition, the department also emails and mails out notices of meetings, workshops, and conferences that provide information and training on various issues.

A public meeting was held on Wednesday, March 13, 2019 to obtain public comments regarding community needs and the allocations of funds. A Proposers Meeting was held on Thursday, March 28, 2019 at the William B. Travis Building 301 Jackson Street, 7th Floor Meeting Room, Richmond, Texas to inform the public of anticipated funding levels and to measure community needs and to discuss the County's FY 2019 CDBG, HOME and ESG Request for Proposals (RFPs) and to answer questions from interested organizations and local governments. The deadline for the submission of RFPs was 3:00 p.m. on Thursday, April 4, 2019..

The County received seventeen (17) proposals from organizations and local governments. These applications totaled \$3,341,956 in CDBG Program funding requests, \$133,839 in ESG Program funding requests and \$200,000 in HOME Program funds. A public meeting will be held on June 13, 2019 at 10 a.m. at the William B. Travis Building 301 Jackson Street, 6th Floor Meeting Room, Richmond, Texas to receive public comments regarding the draft FY 2019 Consolidated Annual Action Plan.

During the thirty-day public review period from May 24, 2019 to June 25, 2019, draft copies of Fort Bend County's Consolidated Annual Action Plan will be available for review at the office of Fort Bend County Community Development Department. The Fort Bend County Commissioners Court is scheduled to approve the FY 2019 Consolidated Annual Action Plan on July 2, 2019. Any written comments received during the development of the FY 2019 Consolidated Annual Action Plan process will be included in Appendix A: Summary of Citizen Comments.

Citizen Participation Outreach

| Sort Order | Mode of Outreach | Target of Outreach | Summary of response/attendance | Summary of comments received | Summary of comments not accepted and reasons | URL (If applicable) |
|------------|------------------|--|---|------------------------------|--|---------------------|
| 1 | Newspaper Ad | Non-English Speaking - Specify other language: Spanish Non-targeted/broad community | February 27, 2019. Public Notice published in newspaper and department website in both English and Spanish. | | | |
| 2 | Public Meeting | Non-targeted/broad community | March 13, 2019 | See Appendix A | | |
| 3 | Public Meeting | Non-targeted/broad community Potential Grant Applicants | March 28, 2019 | See Appendix A | | |

| Sort Order | Mode of Outreach | Target of Outreach | Summary of response/attendance | Summary of comments received | Summary of comments not accepted and reasons | URL (If applicable) |
|------------|-------------------------------|---|--------------------------------|------------------------------|--|---|
| 4 | Newspaper Ad | Non-targeted/broad community | May 17, 2019 | | | https://www.fortbendcountytexas.gov/home/showdocument?id=49901 |
| 5 | Public Meeting | Non-targeted/broad community Applicants | June 13, 2019 | | | |
| 6 | Commissioner's Court Approval | Non-targeted/broad community | July 2, 2019 | | | |

Table 4 – Citizen Participation Outreach

Expected Resources

AP-15 Expected Resources – 91.220(c)(1,2)

Introduction

Fort Bend County will receive \$4,052,327 directly from HUD for program year 2019 (September 1, 2019 to August 31, 2020). The majority of these program funds are \$3,090,195 in FY 2019 CDBG Program funds. This amount also includes \$737,239 in HOME and \$224,896 in ESG Program funds.

Anticipated Resources

| Program | Source of Funds | Uses of Funds | Expected Amount Available Year 1 | | | | Expected Amount Available Remainder of ConPlan \$ | Narrative Description |
|---------|------------------|--|----------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------------|-----------|---|---|
| | | | Annual Allocation: \$ | Program Income: \$ | Prior Year Resources: \$ | Total: \$ | | |
| CDBG | public - federal | Acquisition Admin and Planning Economic Development Housing Public Improvements Public Services | 3,090,195 | 0 | 0 | 3,090,195 | 0 | Community Development Block Grant (CDBG): \$2,245,591 in public improvements; \$310,773 in public services; \$533,831 in administration |

| Program | Source of Funds | Uses of Funds | Expected Amount Available Year 1 | | | | Expected Amount Available Remainder of ConPlan \$ | Narrative Description |
|---------|------------------|---|----------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------------|-----------|---|--|
| | | | Annual Allocation: \$ | Program Income: \$ | Prior Year Resources: \$ | Total: \$ | | |
| HOME | public - federal | Acquisition Homebuyer assistance Homeowner rehab Multifamily rental new construction Multifamily rental rehab New construction for ownership TBRA | 737,236 | 0 | 0 | 737,236 | 0 | \$463,513 for Housing Rehabilitation Program; \$200,000 Downpayment Assistance; \$73,723 in administration |

| Program | Source of Funds | Uses of Funds | Expected Amount Available Year 1 | | | | Expected Amount Available Remainder of ConPlan \$ | Narrative Description |
|---------|------------------|--|----------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------------|-----------|---|--|
| | | | Annual Allocation: \$ | Program Income: \$ | Prior Year Resources: \$ | Total: \$ | | |
| ESG | public - federal | Conversion and rehab for transitional housing Financial Assistance Overnight shelter Rapid re-housing (rental assistance) Rental Assistance Services Transitional housing | 244,896 | 0 | 0 | 244,896 | 0 | \$133,840 in emergency shelter operations and services; \$74,189 in Rapid ReHousing, Homelessness Prevention, Stabilization Services; \$16,867 in administration |

| Program | Source of Funds | Uses of Funds | Expected Amount Available Year 1 | | | | Expected Amount Available Remainder of ConPlan \$ | Narrative Description |
|---------|------------------|--|----------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------------|-----------|---|--|
| | | | Annual Allocation: \$ | Program Income: \$ | Prior Year Resources: \$ | Total: \$ | | |
| Other | public - federal | Admin and Planning Overnight shelter Rapid re-housing (rental assistance) Rental Assistance Services | 936,303 | 0 | 0 | 936,303 | 0 | <i>ESG CV: The CARES Act was signed on March 27, 2020 to help the Nation respond to the coronavirus outbreak. The CARES Act made available an additional \$4 billion in ESG-CV funds to States and local governments. These special ESG-CV funds are to be used to prevent for, and respond to the coronavirus pandemic (COVID-19) among individuals and families who are homeless or receiving homeless assistance; and to support additional homeless assistance and homelessness prevention activities to mitigate the impacts of COVID-19.</i> |

Table 5 - Expected Resources – Priority Table

Explain how federal funds will leverage those additional resources (private, state and local funds), including a description of how matching requirements will be satisfied

CDBG: Fort Bend County encourages the leveraging/matching of funds for CDBG Program funds. In the proposal review process, Fort Bend County gives proposals with leveraged/matching funds points based on the percentage of matching or leveraged funds to total project costs. Each applicant must describe how matching funds for their proposed project will be provided and provide proof of match funds through letters of commitment. During FY 2019, \$4,345,173 in leveraged/match funds will be provided by CDBG subrecipients through their projects.

HOME: The use of HOME Program funds requires a match of local or private funds of twenty-five percent. One proposal was submitted for the

FY 2019 HOME Program funds. The FY 2019 HOME Program funds will be committed to two activities, the County's Housing Rehabilitation Program and the Single Family Down payment Program. Usually match for County's Housing Rehabilitation Program is provided through Fort Bend County General Revenue Funds. The Downpayment program match will be provided through the State Mortgage Certificate Bond Program.

ESG: The Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) Program funds require a one-hundred percent match. During the RFP process, each applicant for ESG Program funds must describe how matching funds for their proposed project will be provided. The projects awarded FY 2019 ESG Program funds have all provided match. During FY 2019, \$133,839 in match funds will be provided by ESG Emergency Shelter Subrecipient projects.

ESG CV: The match for ESG CV was waived by HUD.

If appropriate, describe publically owned land or property located within the jurisdiction that may be used to address the needs identified in the plan

The CDBG Program is administered from the FBC County Travis Building, 301 Jackson Street, Suite 602, Richmond, Texas. Publicly owned property will be used for the public infrastructure projects in Arcola, Beasley, Kendleton, Orchard, Richmond, and MUD 19. The Fort Bend Seniors lease space in the County's Bud O'Sheiles Community Center, 1330 Band Road in Rosenberg, and uses other County community centers to provide services to the elderly residents of the Richmond-Rosenberg area. The Literacy Council uses FBC libraries for some of its tutoring sessions. No other FY 2019 CDBG Projects will use publicly owned property during FY 2019.

HOME: No publicly owned property will be assisted with the FY 2019 HOME Program funds. The HOME Program and the County's Housing Rehabilitation Program are administered from the 301 Jackson Street office.

ESG: The ESG Program is administered from the Jackson Street office. No FY 2019 ESG Projects will use public property during FY 2019 at the time of this report.

Discussion

During FY 2019, Fort Bend County will receive \$4,052,327 directly from HUD. During the development of the FY 2017 Fort Bend County Consolidated Annual Action Plan, the County was informed that it was eligible for \$17,022,677 in Community Development Block Grant Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR) Program funds from the State of Texas. The CDBG-DR Program funds are for damage as a result of two disasters in 2016. The first disaster from April 18-22, 2016 is referred to as the Tax Day Floods. This disaster caused flash, street, and river flooding along the Brazos and San Bernard Rivers. The County was included in Presidential Disaster Declaration DR-4269. The second disaster, the Memorial Day Flood occurred from May 27 to June 10, 2016. The County experienced record breaking flooding along the Brazos River. The County was included in Presidential Disaster Declaration DR-4272. The County submitted a CDBG-DR application to the State of Texas General Land Office (GLO) in July of 2017. Fort Bend County also submitted an application to the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) for disaster assistance. Unfortunately, in September of 2017, Fort Bend County another disaster, Hurricane Harvey caused more severe flooding and widespread damage throughout Texas. At the time of this report, Fort Bend County had submitted applications for both the Hurricane Harvey Housing and Infrastructure Programs.

At the time of this report, the County has not implemented any CDBG-DR Program. The County is the process of hiring staff to administer the FY 2016 CDBG-DR programs. During FY 2019, the staff of Fort Bend County expects to fully implement the 2016 CDBG-DR Programs and continue the process to fully implement the 2017 Hurricane Harvey CDBG-DR Program.

Annual Goals and Objectives

AP-20 Annual Goals and Objectives

Goals Summary Information

| Sort Order | Goal Name | Start Year | End Year | Category | Geographic Area | Needs Addressed | Funding | Goal Outcome Indicator |
|------------|-------------------------|------------|----------|--------------------|-------------------------------|--|-----------------|---|
| 1 | Decent Housing (DH) 1.1 | 2015 | 2020 | Affordable Housing | Fort Bend County Service Area | Housing: Homeowners Housing: First-time homebuyers Housing: CHDO Housing: Special Needs | HOME: \$200,000 | Homeowner Housing Added: 10 Household Housing Unit |
| 2 | Decent Housing (DH) 1.3 | 2015 | 2020 | Affordable Housing | Fort Bend County Service Area | Housing: Homeowners Housing: First-time homebuyers Housing: CHDO | HOME: \$0 | Other: 1 Other |
| 3 | Decent Housing (DH) 2.1 | 2015 | 2020 | Affordable Housing | Fort Bend County Service Area | Housing: Homeowners | HOME: \$463,513 | Homeowner Housing Rehabilitated: 50 Household Housing Unit |
| 4 | Decent Housing (DH) 2.3 | 2015 | 2020 | Affordable Housing | Fort Bend County Service Area | Housing: Homeowners | CDBG: \$0 | Homeowner Housing Rehabilitated: 50 Household Housing Unit |
| 5 | Decent Housing (DH) 3.2 | 2015 | 2020 | Homeless | Fort Bend County Service Area | Homeless | ESG: \$74,189 | Tenant-based rental assistance / Rapid Rehousing: 5 Households Assisted |

| Sort Order | Goal Name | Start Year | End Year | Category | Geographic Area | Needs Addressed | Funding | Goal Outcome Indicator |
|------------|---------------------------------------|------------|----------|---|-------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------|---|
| 6 | Decent Housing (DH) 3.3 | 2015 | 2020 | Homeless | Fort Bend County Service Area | Homeless | CDBG: \$46,171 | Homeless Person Overnight Shelter: 10 Persons Assisted |
| 7 | Decent Housing (DH) 3.4 | 2015 | 2020 | Homeless | Fort Bend County Service Area | Homeless | ESG: \$133,840 | Homeless Person Overnight Shelter: 50 Persons Assisted |
| 8 | Decent Housing (DH) 3.5 | 2015 | 2020 | Affordable Housing | Fort Bend County Service Area | Homeless | ESG: \$0 | Tenant-based rental assistance / Rapid Rehousing: 5 Households Assisted |
| 9 | Decent Housing (DH) 3.6 | 2015 | 2020 | Affordable Housing | Fort Bend County Service Area | Housing: Renters | ESG: \$0 | Homelessness Prevention: 5 Persons Assisted |
| 10 | Decent Housing (DH) 4.2 | 2015 | 2020 | Affordable Housing Non-Homeless Special Needs | Fort Bend County Service Area | Housing: Renters | ESG: \$0 | Tenant-based rental assistance / Rapid Rehousing: 5 Households Assisted |
| 11 | Suitable Living Environment (SLE) 1.2 | 2015 | 2020 | Non-Housing Community Development | Fort Bend County Service Area | Public Facilities/Improvements | CDBG: \$250,000 | Public Facility or Infrastructure Activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 100 Persons Assisted |
| 12 | Suitable Living Environment (SLE) 1.3 | 2015 | 2020 | Non-Housing Community Development | Fort Bend County Service Area | Public Facilities/Improvements | CDBG: \$1,995,596 | Public Facility or Infrastructure Activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 100 Persons Assisted |

| Sort Order | Goal Name | Start Year | End Year | Category | Geographic Area | Needs Addressed | Funding | Goal Outcome Indicator |
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| 13 | Suitable Living Environment (SLE) 2.1 | 2015 | 2020 | Non-Housing Community Development | Fort Bend County Service Area | | CDBG: \$55,000 | Public Facility or Infrastructure Activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 100 Persons Assisted |
| 14 | Suitable Living Environment (SLE) 2.3 | 2015 | 2020 | Non-Housing Community Development | Fort Bend County Service Area | Public Services: Special Needs Illiterate Persons | CDBG: \$0 | Public service activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 500 Persons Assisted |
| 15 | Suitable Living Environment (SLE) 2.4 | 2015 | 2020 | Non-Homeless Special Needs | Fort Bend County Service Area | Public Services: Special Needs Disabled | CDBG: \$40,000 | Public service activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 50 Persons Assisted |
| 16 | Suitable Living Environment (SLE) 2.5 | 2015 | 2020 | Non-Homeless Special Needs | Fort Bend County Service Area | Public Services: Special Needs Abused Children | CDBG: \$39,470 | Public service activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 100 Persons Assisted |
| 17 | Suitable Living Environment (SLE) 2.6 | 2015 | 2020 | Non-Homeless Special Needs | Fort Bend County Service Area | Public Services: Special Needs Elderly Public Services: Special Needs Disabled | CDBG: \$79,470 | Public service activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 25 Persons Assisted |
| 18 | Economic Development (ED) 1.1 | 2015 | 2020 | Non-Homeless Special Needs | Fort Bend County Service Area | Public Services: Special Needs Illiterate Persons | CDBG: \$51,124 | Public service activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 500 Persons Assisted |

| Sort Order | Goal Name | Start Year | End Year | Category | Geographic Area | Needs Addressed | Funding | Goal Outcome Indicator |
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| 19 | Economic Development (ED) 2.2 | 2015 | 2020 | Non-Housing Community Development | Fort Bend County Service Area | Public Facilities/Improvements | CDBG: \$0 | Public Facility or Infrastructure Activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 100 Persons Assisted |
| 20 | Economic Development (ED) 2.3 | 2015 | 2020 | Non-Housing Community Development | Fort Bend County Service Area | Public Facilities/Improvements | CDBG: \$0 | Public Facility or Infrastructure Activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 100 Persons Assisted |
| 21 | Economic Development (ED) 2.6 | 2015 | 2020 | Non-Housing Community Development | Fort Bend County Service Area | Housing: Homeowners | CDBG: \$0 | Homeowner Housing Rehabilitated: 50 Household Housing Unit |

Table 6 – Goals Summary

Goal Descriptions

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| 1 | Goal Name | Decent Housing (DH) 1.1 |
| | Goal Description | Provide down payment and closing costs to ten (10) first-time homeowners. (2 housing units per year). (One (1) minority homebuyer/5 minority homebuyers in five years.) |
| 2 | Goal Name | Decent Housing (DH) 1.3 |
| | Goal Description | Assist one (1) neighborhood-based group in becoming a CHDO for the HOME Program. |
| 3 | Goal Name | Decent Housing (DH) 2.1 |
| | Goal Description | Provide owner-occupied rehabilitation assistance to fifty (50) extremely-low-income, very-low-income, and low-income households. (10 housing units per year.) |
| 4 | Goal Name | Decent Housing (DH) 2.3 |
| | Goal Description | Provide water and/or sewer connections to at least fifty (50) extremely-low-income, very-low-income, and low-income owner-occupied housing units. (10 units per year) |
| 5 | Goal Name | Decent Housing (DH) 3.2 |
| | Goal Description | Provide rental assistance for five (5) homeless persons. (1 person/housing unit per year.) |
| 6 | Goal Name | Decent Housing (DH) 3.3 |
| | Goal Description | Provide operating funds to two (2) homeless shelters. |
| 7 | Goal Name | Decent Housing (DH) 3.4 |
| | Goal Description | Provide essential or supportive services to at least fifty (50) homeless persons. (10 persons per year.) |

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| 8 | Goal Name | Decent Housing (DH) 3.5 |
| | Goal Description | Assist homeless persons in the transition to permanent housing by providing 1st month's rent and utility deposits to at least five (5) persons. (1 person or housing unit per year.) |
| 9 | Goal Name | Decent Housing (DH) 3.6 |
| | Goal Description | Prevent homelessness by providing emergency rent and utility assistance to at least five (5) persons. (1 person or housing unit per year.) |
| 10 | Goal Name | Decent Housing (DH) 4.2 |
| | Goal Description | Provide rental assistance for five (5) housing units accessible to the special needs population, especially elderly persons and persons with disabilities. (1 housing unit per year.) |
| 11 | Goal Name | Suitable Living Environment (SLE) 1.2 |
| | Goal Description | Construction of flood drainage improvements in at least one (1) community. |
| 12 | Goal Name | Suitable Living Environment (SLE) 1.3 |
| | Goal Description | Water and/or sewer improvements in at least five (5) communities. |
| 13 | Goal Name | Suitable Living Environment (SLE) 2.1 |
| | Goal Description | Provide meals to at least one-hundred (100) extremely-low-income, very-low-income, and low-income persons. (20 persons per year.) |
| 14 | Goal Name | Suitable Living Environment (SLE) 2.3 |
| | Goal Description | Provide assistance to 500 illiterate persons. (100 persons per year.) |
| 15 | Goal Name | Suitable Living Environment (SLE) 2.4 |
| | Goal Description | Provide support or recreational services to fifty (50) handicapped or disabled persons. (10 persons per year.) |

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| 16 | Goal Name | Suitable Living Environment (SLE) 2.5 |
| | Goal Description | Provide services to one hundred (100) abused and/or neglected children. (20 children per year.) |
| 17 | Goal Name | Suitable Living Environment (SLE) 2.6 |
| | Goal Description | Provide case management and other related services to twenty-five (25) incapacitated and/or elderly persons (5 persons per year.) |
| 18 | Goal Name | Economic Development (ED) 1.1 |
| | Goal Description | Provide assistance to 500 illiterate persons in the County. (100 persons per year.) |
| 19 | Goal Name | Economic Development (ED) 2.2 |
| | Goal Description | Construction of flood drainage improvements in at least one (1) community. |
| 20 | Goal Name | Economic Development (ED) 2.3 |
| | Goal Description | Construction of new water and/or sewer improvements in at least one (1) community. |
| 21 | Goal Name | Economic Development (ED) 2.6 |
| | Goal Description | Provide housing assistance programs (tap-ins, septic tanks) in at least two (2) low-income communities. |

Projects

AP-35 Projects – 91.220(d)

Introduction

Fort Bend County will receive \$3,090,195 in FY 2019 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program funds from HUD. The County also will receive \$737,236 in HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME) Program funds and \$224,896 in Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) Program funds directly from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for program year 2019 (September 1, 2019 to August 31, 2020). The projects to be funded in FY 2019 are listed below by funding source.

CDBG: \$1,995,596 in public facility/improvements; \$310,773 in public services;\$533,831 in administration.

HOME: \$463,513 FBC Housing Rehabilitation Program; \$200,000 CHDO set-aside for Downpayment Assistance Program; \$73,723 in administration.

ESG: \$133,840 for emergency shelter operations and services; \$74,189 for rapid rehousing, housing prevention and stabilization services; \$16,867 for administration.

Projects

| # | Project Name |
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| 1 | FY 2019 CDBG: Program Administration |
| 2 | FY 2019 CDBG: City of Arcola Water Treatment Plant Phase 2 |
| 3 | FY 2019 CDBG: City of Beasley Sanitary Sewer System Rehab Phase 2 |
| 4 | FY 2019 CDBG: City of Kendleton Sanitary Sewer Force Main Improvements |
| 5 | FY 2019 CDBG: City of Orchard Renovation of Storage Tanks |
| 6 | FY 2019 CDBG: City of Richmond:Drainage/Sidewalk Improvements, Phase 2 |
| 7 | FY 2019 CDBG: FBC MUD No. 19: Riverwood Replacement of Force Main from LS1 to Pumps |
| 8 | FY 2019 CDBG: Arc of FBC Adult Social and Recreation Program |
| 9 | FY 2019 CDBG: Brazos Bend Guardianship Services: Corporate Guardianship Program |
| 10 | FY 2019 CDBG: Catholic Charities: Integrated Case Management for Seniors |
| 11 | FY 2019 CDBG: Child Advocates FBC: Bilingual Forensic Interviewer/Children's Services Coordinator |
| 12 | FY 2019 CDBG: FBC Women's Center: Shelter Operations and Services |
| 13 | FY 2019 CDBG: FB Seniors: More that a Meal |
| 14 | FY 2019 CDBG: Literacy Council of FB: Literacy Tutoring |
| 15 | FY 2019 HOME: Program Administration |
| 16 | FY 2019 HOME: Housing Rehabilitation Program |
| 17 | FY 2019 HOME: Single Family Downpayment Program |

| # | Project Name |
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| 18 | FY 2019 ESG Fort Bend County |
| 19 | <i>FY 2019 ESG CV: Fort Bend County</i> |

Table 7 - Project Information

Describe the reasons for allocation priorities and any obstacles to addressing underserved needs

Fort Bend County's FYs 2010-2015 Consolidated Plan identified water and sewer improvements as a very high priority. This priority was based on the needs in the unincorporated area of the County and the needs of the small cities and towns in the County's service area.

The main obstacle to addressing the underserved needs is the lack of funding. Infrastructure and facility costs far exceed the amount of CDBG Program funds available to serve low- and moderate-income communities. The County usually divides infrastructure and facility projects into phases and funds part of these projects on an annual basis. Thus, most of the public improvement projects are multi-year and/or multi-phase projects.

Fort Bend County's FYs 2010-2015 Consolidated Plan also identified special needs populations as a very high priority. This priority was based on the public service and housing needs of special needs persons in the unincorporated area of the County and the small cities and towns in the County's service area.

There are few or no local services available for these populations and the lack of mass transportation services in these areas makes access to services difficult.

AP-38 Project Summary

Project Summary Information

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| 1 | Project Name | FY 2019 CDBG: Program Administration |
| | Target Area | Fort Bend County Service Area |
| | Goals Supported | |
| | Needs Addressed | |
| | Funding | CDBG: \$533,831 |
| | Description | CDBG General Program Administration: Overall program administration, including (but not limited to) salaries, wages, and related costs of grantee staff or others engages in program management, monitoring, and evaluation. These activities along with planning activities, are subject to the 20 percent limitation under 24 CFR 570.200(g) and 570.489(a)(3). |
| | Target Date | 8/31/2020 |
| | Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities | not applicable |
| | Location Description | CDBG Program is administered from the FBC Community Development Dept. offices located at 301 Jackson Street, Suite 602, Richmond, Texas 77469. |
| | Planned Activities | 21A: General Program Administration: Overall program administration, including (but not limited to) salaries, wages, and related costs of grantee staff or others engages in program management, monitoring, and evaluation. These activities along with planning activities, are subject to the 20 percent limitation under 24 CFR 570.200(g) and 570.489(a)(3). |
| 2 | Project Name | FY 2019 CDBG: City of Arcola Water Treatment Plant Phase 2 |
| | Target Area | Fort Bend County Service Area |
| | Goals Supported | Suitable Living Environment (SLE) 1.3 |
| | Needs Addressed | Public Facilities/Improvements |
| | Funding | CDBG: \$606,500 |

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| | Description | Construction of a Water Treatment Plant (WTP) to serve the residents of Arcola. This project will provide 500 to 800 connections. |
| | Target Date | 8/31/2020 |
| | Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities | According the FY 2015 HUD low and moderate-income data, the City of Arcola has 2,640 total persons. There are 1,580 low and moderate-income persons in Arcola. The City of Arcola's low and moderate-income percentage is 59.85%. |
| | Location Description | The water treatment plant (WTP) will be constructed on the site of the Arcola City Hall. The location is along HWY 6 near the intersection of FM 521. |
| | Planned Activities | 03J Water and Sewer Improvements: Construction of new water treatment plant to serve the residents of the City of Arcola. |
| 3 | Project Name | FY 2019 CDBG: City of Beasley Sanitary Sewer System Rehab Phase 2 |
| | Target Area | Fort Bend County Service Area |
| | Goals Supported | Suitable Living Environment (SLE) 1.3 |
| | Needs Addressed | Public Facilities/Improvements |
| | Funding | CDBG: \$240,582 |
| | Description | Project includes the replacement of sewer lines along the southside of Loop 540. |
| | Target Date | 8/31/2020 |
| | Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities | According to the HUD FY 2015 low and moderate-income data, the City of Beasley includes 570 total persons. Low and moderate-income persons comprise 330 persons. The City of Beasley is 57.89 percent low and moderate income. |
| | Location Description | This project location along the southside of Loop 540. The sewer lines run in the alley or back of properties. |
| | Planned Activities | 03J Water and sewer improvements: Replacement of sewer lines along the southside of Loop 540. |
| 4 | Project Name | FY 2019 CDBG: City of Kendleton Sanitary Sewer Force Main Improvements |
| | Target Area | Fort Bend County Service Area |
| | Goals Supported | Suitable Living Environment (SLE) 1.3 |

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| | Needs Addressed | Public Facilities/Improvements |
| | Funding | CDBG: \$466,155 |
| | Description | This project includes the replacement of the six inch sanitary sewer force main on FM 2919 from Willie Melton Blvd. to Charles Roberts Lane. |
| | Target Date | 8/31/2020 |
| | Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities | According to the FY 2015 HUD low and moderate income data, the City of Kendleton includes 295 persons. Low and moderate income persons total 215 persons. The City of Kendleton is 72.88 percent low and moderate income. |
| | Location Description | This project is the replacement of the six inch sanitary sewer force main on FM 2919 from Willie Melton Blvd. to Charles Roberts Lane |
| | Planned Activities | 03J Water and Sewer Improvements: This project is the replacement of the six inch sanitary sewer force main on FM 2919 from Willie Melton Blvd. to Charles Roberts Lane |
| 5 | Project Name | FY 2019 CDBG: City of Orchard Renovation of Storage Tanks |
| | Target Area | Fort Bend County Service Area |
| | Goals Supported | Suitable Living Environment (SLE) 1.3 |
| | Needs Addressed | Public Facilities/Improvements |
| | Funding | CDBG: \$253,032 |
| | Description | This project includes the refurbishing of a 45 year old ground water storage tank and/or a 20 year old stovepipe tank. |
| | Target Date | 8/31/2020 |
| | Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities | According to the FY 2015 HUD low and moderate income data the City of Orchard total population is 320 persons. Low and moderate income persons comprise 250 persons. The City of Orchard is 78.13% low and moderate income. |
| | Location Description | The project includes refurbishing of a 45 year old ground water storage tank and/or a 20 year old stovepipe tank. The tanks are located on one acre of land at the corner of Galveston and Kansas Streets in the City of Orchard. |
| Planned Activities | 03J Water and Sewer Improvements: Project is refurbishing of a 45-year-old ground water storage tank and/or a 20-year-old stovepipe tank. | |

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| 6 | Project Name | FY 2019 CDBG: City of Richmond:Drainage/Sidewalk Improvements, Phase 2 |
| | Target Area | Fort Bend County Service Area |
| | Goals Supported | Suitable Living Environment (SLE) 1.2 |
| | Needs Addressed | Public Facilities/Improvements |
| | Funding | CDBG: \$250,000 |
| | Description | This project includes improving the drainage along Collins Road from Maiden Lane to Clay St. It will involve replacing 1,823 feet of pipe, storm drains with inlets and sidewalks. |
| | Target Date | 8/31/2020 |
| | Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities | The project site is located within 2010 Census Tract 6749 Block Group 4. This block group includes a total population of 1,690 persons. Low and moderate income persons total 1,280 persons. Census track 6749 block group 4 is 54.65 percent low and moderate income according to the FY 2015 HUD low and moderate income data. |
| | Location Description | This project includes improving the drainage along Collins Road from Maiden Lane to Clay St. within the City of Richmond. |
| Planned Activities | 03I Flood Drainage Improvements: Project involves replacing 1,823 feet of pipe, storm drains with inlets and sidewalks. | |
| 7 | Project Name | FY 2019 CDBG: FBC MUD No. 19: Riverwood Replacement of Force Main from LS1 to Pumps |
| | Target Area | Fort Bend County Service Area |
| | Goals Supported | Suitable Living Environment (SLE) 1.3 |
| | Needs Addressed | Public Facilities/Improvements |
| | Funding | CDBG: \$429,327 |
| | Description | Replacement of four inch force main and pumps from lift station No. 1 to the discharge manhole at the City of Richmond. |
| | Target Date | 8/31/2020 |
| | Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities | Census Tract 6750, Block Group 2 included 1,880 Persons ad 885 persons are low and moderate income. This census tract block group is 47.07 percent low and moderate income. This area qualifies through the exception criteria. |

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| | Location Description | Project located in the public right of way along Riverwood Dr. from lift station No. 1 to the discharge manhole at the City of Richmond. |
| | Planned Activities | 03J: Water/Sewer Improvements: Replacement of four inch force main and pumps from lift station No. 1 to the discharge manhole at the City of Richmond. |
| 8 | Project Name | FY 2019 CDBG: Arc of FBC Adult Social and Recreation Program |
| | Target Area | Fort Bend County Service Area |
| | Goals Supported | Suitable Living Environment (SLE) 2.4 |
| | Needs Addressed | Public Services: Special Needs Disabled |
| | Funding | CDBG: \$40,000 |
| | Description | This project provides one to three social activities for adult individuals with intellectual and related developmental disabilities. |
| | Target Date | 8/31/2020 |
| | Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities | This project will provide assistance to an estimated 80 individuals. |
| | Location Description | This project is countywide. It provides activities throughout the service area for program participants. The Arc of Fort Bend County is located at 123 Brooks Street, Sugar Land, Texas 77478. |
| | Planned Activities | 05B Services for persons with disabilities. This program provides one to three social activities for adult individuals with intellectual and related developmental disabilities. |
| 9 | Project Name | FY 2019 CDBG: Brazos Bend Guardianship Services: Corporate Guardianship Program |
| | Target Area | Fort Bend County Service Area |
| | Goals Supported | Suitable Living Environment (SLE) 2.6 |
| | Needs Addressed | Public Services: Special Needs Disabled |
| | Funding | CDBG: \$40,000 |
| | Description | This project provides services to assist incapacitated and disabled adults and their families with legal guardianship, money management, and adult guardianship education. |
| | Target Date | 8/31/2020 |

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| | Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities | This program will provide assistance to 16 persons. |
| | Location Description | The Brazos Bend Corporate Guardianship Program is located at 830 3rd Street, Rosenberg, TX, 77471. This program is countywide. |
| | Planned Activities | 05B Services for persons with disabilities: The program provides services to assist incapacitated and disabled adults and their families with legal guardianship, money management, and adult guardianship education. |
| 10 | Project Name | FY 2019 CDBG: Catholic Charities: Integrated Case Management for Seniors |
| | Target Area | Fort Bend County Service Area |
| | Goals Supported | Suitable Living Environment (SLE) 2.6 |
| | Needs Addressed | Public Services: Special Needs Elderly |
| | Funding | CDBG: \$39,008 |
| | Description | This project provides case management services to low income senior citizens. |
| | Target Date | 8/31/2020 |
| | Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities | This program will provide services to 40 senior citizens. |
| | Location Description | Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston: Mamie George Community Center is located at 1111 Collins Road, Richmond, Texas, 77469. The program is countywide. |
| | Planned Activities | 05A Senior Services: This program provides case management services to low income senior citizens. |
| 11 | Project Name | FY 2019 CDBG: Child Advocates FBC: Bilingual Forensic Interviewer/Children's Services Coordinator |
| | Target Area | Fort Bend County Service Area |
| | Goals Supported | Suitable Living Environment (SLE) 2.5 |
| | Needs Addressed | Public Services: Special Needs Abused Children |

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| | Funding | CDBG: \$39,470 |
| | Description | This program provides assistance to children that are the victims of abuse and/or neglect. This project will provide salaries for staff positions for bilingual forensic interviewers/children's services coordinators. |
| | Target Date | 8/31/2020 |
| | Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities | This program provides will provide assistance to 113 children. |
| | Location Description | Fort Bend County Child Advocates, Inc. is located in Sugar Land, Texas. This program is county-wide. |
| | Planned Activities | 05N Abused and Neglected Children: This program will provide salaries for staff positions for bilingual forensic interviewers/children's services coordinators. |
| 12 | Project Name | FY 2019 CDBG: FBC Women's Center: Shelter Operations and Services |
| | Target Area | Fort Bend County Service Area |
| | Goals Supported | Decent Housing (DH) 3.3 Decent Housing (DH) 3.4 |
| | Needs Addressed | Homeless |
| | Funding | CDBG: \$46,171 |
| | Description | This program provides salaries for the staff of the Fort Bend County Women's Center. |
| | Target Date | 8/31/2020 |
| | Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities | This program will provide assistance to 17 homeless women and children. |
| | Location Description | FBC Women's Center is a domestic violence shelter. The location is confidential. This program is county-wide. |
| Planned Activities | 05G Domestic Violence Services 03T Homeless/AIDS Patient Program | |

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| 13 | Project Name | FY 2019 CDBG: FB Seniors: More than a Meal |
| | Target Area | Fort Bend County Service Area |
| | Goals Supported | Suitable Living Environment (SLE) 2.1 |
| | Needs Addressed | Public Services: Special Needs Elderly |
| | Funding | CDBG: \$55,000 |
| | Description | This program provides homebound elderly persons with daily hot meals. |
| | Target Date | 8/31/2020 |
| | Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities | This program will provide assistance to 148 senior citizens. |
| | Location Description | The Fort Bend Senior Citizens is located at 1330 Band Road, Rosenberg, Texas, 77471. This program is county-wide. |
| | Planned Activities | 05A Senior Services: This program provides homebound elderly persons with daily hot meals. |
| 14 | Project Name | FY 2019 CDBG: Literacy Council of FB: Literacy Tutoring |
| | Target Area | Fort Bend County Service Area |
| | Goals Supported | Suitable Living Environment (SLE) 2.3 Economic Development (ED) 1.1 |
| | Needs Addressed | Public Services: Special Needs Illiterate Persons |
| | Funding | CDBG: \$51,124 |
| | Description | This program provides one-on-one basic literacy instruction including reading and writing to illiterate persons. |
| | Target Date | 8/31/2020 |
| | Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities | This program will provide assistance to 275 illiterate persons. |
| | Location Description | The Literacy Volunteers of FBC are located at 12530 Emily Court, Sugar Land, Texas, 77478. This program is countywide. Services are provided to residents at locations throughout the county. |

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| | Planned Activities | 05H Employment Training: This program provides one-on-one basic literacy instruction including reading and writing to illiterate persons. |
| 15 | Project Name | FY 2019 HOME: Program Administration |
| | Target Area | Fort Bend County Service Area |
| | Goals Supported | Decent Housing (DH) 1.1 Decent Housing (DH) 2.1 |
| | Needs Addressed | Housing: Homeowners Housing: First-time homebuyers Housing: CHDO |
| | Funding | HOME: \$73,723 |
| | Description | General Program Administration of the HOME Program. |
| | Target Date | 8/31/2020 |
| | Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities | not applicable |
| | Location Description | The HOME Program is administered in the offices of the Fort Bend County Community Development Department, 301 Jackson, Suite 602, Richmond, Texas 77469. |
| | Planned Activities | Administration of HOME Program. This program is countywide. |
| 16 | Project Name | FY 2019 HOME: Housing Rehabilitation Program |
| | Target Area | Fort Bend County Service Area |
| | Goals Supported | Decent Housing (DH) 2.1 |
| | Needs Addressed | Housing: Homeowners |
| | Funding | HOME: \$463,513 |
| | Description | This program provides moderate housing rehabilitation to low income owner-occupied homes. |
| | Target Date | 8/31/2020 |
| | Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities | The program will provide assistance to seven low income home owners. |

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| | Location Description | This program is administered from the offices of the Fort Bend County Community Development Department, 301 Jackson St., Suite 602, Richmond, Texas. This program is county-wide. |
| | Planned Activities | 014 B Housing Rehabilitation: Moderate rehabilitation of low income owner occupied homes. |
| 17 | Project Name | FY 2019 HOME: Single Family Downpayment Program |
| | Target Area | Fort Bend County Service Area |
| | Goals Supported | Decent Housing (DH) 1.1 |
| | Needs Addressed | Housing: Renters Housing: First-time homebuyers Housing: CHDO |
| | Funding | HOME: \$200,000 |
| | Description | This program will provide downpayment assistance to first-time low income homebuyers. |
| | Target Date | 8/31/2020 |
| | Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities | This program will provide assistance to 20 low income individuals and families. |
| | Location Description | The Houston Area Urban League Community Development Corporation (CDC) is located in Houston, Texas. This program is county-wide. |
| | Planned Activities | This program will provide downpayment assistance to first-time homebuyers. The Houston Area Urban League Community Development Corporation qualifies as a CHDO. |
| 18 | Project Name | FY 2019 ESG Fort Bend County |
| | Target Area | Fort Bend County Service Area |
| | Goals Supported | Decent Housing (DH) 3.2 Decent Housing (DH) 3.3 Decent Housing (DH) 3.4 Decent Housing (DH) 3.5 Decent Housing (DH) 3.6 Decent Housing (DH) 4.2 |
| | Needs Addressed | Homeless |
| | Funding | ESG: \$244,896 |

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| | Description | This project includes ESG Program Administration, Emergency Shelter Operations & Services, Rapid ReHousing, Homelessness Prevention and Stabilization Services. |
| | Target Date | 8/31/2020 |
| | Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities | This project will provide assistance to 200 persons. The FBCWC will provide assistance to 100 persons and the Parks Youth Ranch will provide assistance to 100 persons. |
| | Location Description | The ESG Program will be administered from the offices of the Fort Bend County Community Development Department, 301 Jackson St., Suite 602, Richmond, Texas 77459. The Parks Youth Ranch is located in Fairchilds, Texas. The FBCWC is a domestic violence shelter and the location is confidential. The Rapid ReHousing and Homelessness Prevention Program are countywide. |
| | Planned Activities | Program Administration:\$16,867 Emergency Shelter Operations and Services: Parks Youth Ranch \$69,828; FBC Women's Center \$64,012 Rapid ReHousing/Homelessness Prevention/Stabilization Services \$74,189. |
| 19 | Project Name | <i>FY 2019 ESG CV: Fort Bend County</i> |
| | Target Area | Fort Bend County Service Area |
| | Goals Supported | Decent Housing (DH) 3.2 Decent Housing (DH) 3.3 Decent Housing (DH) 3.4 Decent Housing (DH) 3.5 Decent Housing (DH) 3.6 |
| | Needs Addressed | Homeless Housing: Renters |
| | Funding | ESG COVID-19: \$936,303 |
| | Description | Special ESG-CV funds are to be used to prevent, prepare for, and respond to the coronavirus pandemic (COVID-19) among individuals and families who are homeless or receiving homeless assistance; and to support additional homeless assistance and homelessness prevention activities to mitigate the impacts of COVID-19. |
| | Target Date | 12/31/2020 |

| | |
|---|--|
| <p>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</p> | <p>The County estimates that an estimated 25 homeless persons or households; 100 sheltered homeless persons or households; and 100 homeless households or households at risk of being homeless will be provided assistance with the ESG COVID-19 Program funds.</p> |
| <p>Location Description</p> | <p>Countywide</p> |
| <p>Planned Activities</p> | <p>Assistance to emergency shelters for operations and services; homeless persons and families exiting congregate and non-congregate shelters; homeless persons, especially those with COVID or awaiting COVID test results; persons or families (<50 percent of MFI) with COVID or awaiting COVID test results or quarantined with loss of income; persons or families (<50 percent of MFI) with loss of income due to coronavirus closure order; HMIS costs related to coordinated access and ESG COVID-19 reporting.</p> |

AP-50 Geographic Distribution – 91.220(f)

Description of the geographic areas of the entitlement (including areas of low-income and minority concentration) where assistance will be directed

According to the 2017 HUD low and moderate-income summary date (LMISD), the CDBG Program infrastructure projects are all located in low and moderate-income areas.

| | |
|-----------|---|
| Arcola | 59.85% low and moderate income |
| Beasley | 57.89% low and moderate income |
| Kendleton | 72.88% low and moderate income |
| Orchard | 78.13% low and moderate income |
| Richmond | 54.65% low and moderate income |
| Riverwood | 47.07% low and moderate income (This project qualifies under the exception criteria.) |

The County's public service and housing programs target low and moderate-income persons throughout the county.

Geographic Distribution

| Target Area | Percentage of Funds |
|-------------------------------|---------------------|
| Fort Bend County Service Area | 100 |

Table 8 - Geographic Distribution

Rationale for the priorities for allocating investments geographically

Fort Bend County does not allocate investments geographically. The CDBG Program requires that infrastructure improvement activities have a service area that is at least 51% low-and moderate-income, according to HUD data. All the FY 2019 CDBG public improvement projects: Arcola, Beasley, Kendleton, Orchard, Richmond, and Riverwood are located in low and moderate-income areas according to HUD.

All the County's public service and housing activities are Countywide and provide assistance to low-income clients within the County's service area.

Discussion

During FY 2019, Fort Bend County will provide CDBG assistance to five cities and one MUD for water/sewer and drainage projects. The County also will provide CDBG assistance to seven public service programs.

Affordable Housing

AP-55 Affordable Housing – 91.220(g)

Introduction

Fort Bend County addresses the need for affordable housing in Decent Housing Objective 1: Provide assistance to increase the availability of standard quality housing to extremely low income, low income and moderate income households; Decent Housing Objective 2: Provide housing rehabilitation to owner-occupied and renter-occupied households; Decent Housing Objective 3: Provide a Continuum of Care to potential homeless and homeless persons; and Decent Housing Objective 4: Provide housing assistance to special needs persons and families.

| One Year Goals for the Number of Households to be Supported | |
|---|----|
| Homeless | 2 |
| Non-Homeless | 8 |
| Special-Needs | 0 |
| Total | 10 |

Table 9 - One Year Goals for Affordable Housing by Support Requirement

| One Year Goals for the Number of Households Supported Through | |
|---|----|
| Rental Assistance | 2 |
| The Production of New Units | 0 |
| Rehab of Existing Units | 8 |
| Acquisition of Existing Units | 0 |
| Total | 10 |

Table 10 - One Year Goals for Affordable Housing by Support Type

Discussion

Table 9: The total in Table 9 includes the two households to be provided Rapid ReHousing rental assistance during FY 2019 and the eight (8) non-homeless households that are expected to be provided assistance through the County's Housing Rehabilitation Program. The number of special needs persons is left at zero since any special needs persons provided housing assistance will be provided either rental assistance or housing rehabilitation assistance.

Table 10: The total in table 10 includes the eight (8) homeowners expected to be provided assistance through the County Housing Rehabilitation Program and the two (2) households provided ESG Rapid ReHousing and/or Homelessness Prevention assistance. The County expects to provide HOME Program downpayment assistance during FY 2019.

AP-60 Public Housing – 91.220(h)

Introduction

Fort Bend County does not have a public housing authority. The City of Rosenberg has a small housing authority that does not own any public housing units.

Actions planned during the next year to address the needs to public housing

Not applicable. There are no public housing units in Fort Bend County's service area.

Actions to encourage public housing residents to become more involved in management and participate in homeownership

Not applicable. There are no public housing units in Fort Bend County's service area.

If the PHA is designated as troubled, describe the manner in which financial assistance will be provided or other assistance

Not applicable. There are no public housing units in Fort Bend County's service area.

Discussion

Not applicable. There are no public housing units in Fort Bend County's service area.

AP-65 Homeless and Other Special Needs Activities – 91.220(i)

Introduction

During FY 2019, Fort Bend County will use both CDBG and ESG Program funds to address homeless and other special needs activities. The County's homeless goals and objectives are listed under Decent Housing Objective 3: Provide a Continuum of Care (Coe) to potential homeless and homeless persons and the Special Needs Housing goals and objectives are listed under Decent Housing Objective 4: Provide housing assistance to special needs persons and families. There are six (6) goals under Objective 3 and three (3) goals under Objective 4.

Describe the jurisdictions one-year goals and actions for reducing and ending homelessness including

Reaching out to homeless persons (especially unsheltered persons) and assessing their individual needs

During FY 2019, Fort Bend County will address several homeless and other special needs goals. The County will address emergency shelter housing needs by providing CDBG and ESG assistance to the FBC Women's Center (Projects 12 and 18) and the Parks Youth Ranch (Project 18) for operating and services. The County will continue to provide homeless prevention and rapid rehousing with previous year's ESG Program funds through the County's Behavioral Health Services Department.

During FY 2019, Fort Bend County will continue to participate in the CoC Coordinated Access. This process provides outreach, services and housing assistance to homeless persons and families and persons and families at risk of becoming homeless throughout the CoC.

Addressing the emergency shelter and transitional housing needs of homeless persons

The County will address emergency shelter housing needs by providing CDBG and ESG assistance to the FBC Women's Center (Projects 12 and 18) and the Parks Youth Ranch (Project 18) for operating and services. These projects address goals DH 3.3 and DH 3.4.

Helping homeless persons (especially chronically homeless individuals and families, families with children, veterans and their families, and unaccompanied youth) make the transition to permanent housing and independent living, including shortening the period of time that individuals and families experience homelessness, facilitating access for homeless individuals and families to affordable housing units, and preventing individuals and families who were recently homeless from becoming homeless again

The County will fund homeless prevention and rapid rehousing with previous year's ESG Program funds. These project activities address goals DH 3.2, 3.5 and DH 3.6. The County will continue to work with the

Continuum of Care (CoC) to develop a coordinated access system to provide assistance in the Fort Bend County service area.

Helping low-income individuals and families avoid becoming homeless, especially extremely low-income individuals and families and those who are: being discharged from publicly funded institutions and systems of care (such as health care facilities, mental health facilities, foster care and other youth facilities, and corrections programs and institutions); or, receiving assistance from public or private agencies that address housing, health, social services, employment, education, or youth needs.

During FY 2019, the County will fund homeless prevention and rapid rehousing with ESG Program funds. The Fort Bend County Behavioral Service Department will continue to administer previous year's ESG Program funds. This project addresses goals DH 3.2. 3.5 and D.H. 3.6.

The County is working with the Continuum of Care to develop a coordinated access system to provide assistance in the Fort Bend County Service area. Part of this system is an updated and Continuum-wide discharge policy that addresses the needs of persons discharged from publicly funded institutions.

Discussion

During FY 2019, Fort Bend County will fund several public service programs that address limited clientele, presumed benefit activities for persons with special needs. These projects include Project No. 8: the ARC; Project No. 9: Brazos Bend Guardianship; Project No.10: Catholic Charities; Project No. 11: FBC Child Advocates; Project No. 12: FBC Womens Center; Project No.13: FB Seniors, and Project No.14: Literacy Volunteers. All these projects provide assistance to vulnerable special needs populations to prevent these low-income persons and their families from becoming homeless.

The only Decent Housing Objective 3: Provide a Continuum of Care to potential homeless and homeless person goal that was not addressed during FY 2019 was DH 3.1: Provide for the rehabilitation and/or reconstruction of at least one (1) new homeless shelter. The only Decent Housing Objective 4: Provide housing assistance to special needs persons and families goal that was not addressed during FY 2019 was DH 4.1: Produce twenty **(20)** new units, especially for the special needs populations - elderly, frail elderly, persons with disabilities, persons with alcohol and drug addictions, and persons with AIDS. (4 housing units per year.) DH 4.3 may be addressed through the FBC Housing Rehabilitation Program.

Fort Bend County is did not receive any HOPWA funds for FY 2019. The City of Houston receives the allocation of HOPWA funds for the Eligible Metropolitan Area.

AP-75 Barriers to affordable housing – 91.220(j)

Introduction:

In its FY 2015-2020 Consolidated Plan, the County identified the major barrier to the development of affordable housing as the high cost of developable land with adequate water and sanitary sewer services. The County encourages local communities with existing water and sanitary sewer services to actively participate in affordable housing programs. There are several areas in the County without public water and sewer systems or with no or inadequate private water and sewer service.

Also, the County has encountered difficulty in finding safe and affordable rental housing units for the Rapid ReHousing, Homelessness Prevention and CoC project clients. Many landlords do not want clients with government rent assistance. Landlords and property managers have implemented application fees and minimum income requirements that many low-income clients cannot meet. As a result, low-income clients can be denied housing. Application and/or other fees are not eligible federal program costs.

Actions it planned to remove or ameliorate the negative effects of public policies that serve as barriers to affordable housing such as land use controls, tax policies affecting land, zoning ordinances, building codes, fees and charges, growth limitations, and policies affecting the return on residential investment

Five of the infrastructure projects the County will assist during FY 2019 are water and sewer projects and one project is a drainage project. These projects include Project 2: Arcola Water Treatment Plant Project, Project 3: Beasley Sanitary Sewer System Rehab; Project 4: Kendleton Sanitary Sewer Force Main Improvements; Project 5: Orchard Storage Tank Renovation; Project 6: Richmond Drainage/Sidewalk Improvements; and Project 7: FBC MUD No. 19 Riverwood Replacement of Force Main.

The flooding disasters of 2015, 2016 and 2017 have severely impacted the supply of affordable housing the Houston Metropolitan Area. There is a critical shortage of affordable rental and homeowner properties in Fort Bend County. As stated in the introduction, the County has encountered difficulty in finding safe and affordable rental housing units for the Rapid ReHousing, Homelessness Prevention and CoC project clients. Many landlords do not want clients with government rent assistance. This has led to application fees and minimum income requirements that many low-income clients cannot meet. These fees are not eligible federal program costs. This problem and/or barrier has now expanded to include persons and families displaced by the flooding disaster of 2015, 2016, and 2017.

Unfortunately, the State of Texas allows landlords to deny housing to persons and families with government assistance. As a result, the providers of government housing assistance have to expend a great deal of staff time in cultivating relationships with landlords in the hopes of accessing rental housing in good condition for recipients of government housing assistance of any kind. Currently, it

takes more than 90 days to find rental housing for clients with government assistance.

Discussion:

Texas county government structure is expressly listed in the Texas Constitution, which makes counties functional agents of the state. Counties are limited in their actions to areas of responsibility specifically spelled out in laws passed by the Legislature. Texas counties have no land use controls, zoning, or building codes in the unincorporated areas. The County has some subdivision control. Unfortunately, tax policies affecting land are limited, also. There are independent taxing districts that administer services in the unincorporated area of the County including MUDs, levee districts, and emergency services districts. These districts have their own board of directors and are not part of County government.

One of the other major barriers to affordable housing especially in the unincorporated areas of the County are contracts for deed used for the purchase of land and housing. These contracts are legal with conditions within the State of Texas, however, they do not convey ownership until the last payment is made. As a result, the residents of these properties are not eligible for HUD Program housing assistance. Unfortunately, many low and moderate income persons are paying on property, homes and/or mobile homes that they do not legally own through contracts for deed.

AP-85 Other Actions – 91.220(k)

Introduction:

During FY 2019, Fort Bend County will undertake several actions to implement goals and objectives of the five year Consolidated Plan. These actions are discussed below.

Actions planned to address obstacles to meeting underserved needs

During FY 2019, the County will continue to gather information and data on the needs of the ever increasing number of Fort Bend County residents, especially the underserved. The County also will explore additional program funding opportunities and continue to work closely with local social service providers in maximizing the available services especially the Coalition for the Homeless. The County also will continue to develop the capacity of non-profit organizations to meet the underserved needs of Fort Bend County residents.

The CDBG regulation requires that program funds spent on public services be restricted to new services or quantifiable increases in services above the levels previously funded. During the County's evaluation process, funds are not awarded to public service activities if they do not increase the level of service or maintain the level of service previously funded with federal funds for County residents.

The implementation of the Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) Programs requires consultation with the Continuum of Care (CoC) in the determination of how to allocate ESG funds for eligible activities, updating written guidelines and performance standards for activities funded under ESG, and updating funding, policies and procedures for the operation and administration of the HMIS. Discussions with representatives of the Coalition for the Homeless Houston/Harris County, the City of Houston, City of Pasadena, and Harris County resulted in the targeting of specific groups for Rapid Re-housing assistance. These groups include victims of domestic violence, persons who may be eligible for SSI/SSDI and families with children. In the past, the Harris County representative stated that the Harris County Judge wanted persons being released from jail and/or prison to be targeted for the Rapid Re-Housing assistance program as well. Fort Bend County's underserved persons include youth aging out of foster care, persons with disabilities, victims of domestic violence and families with children. For FY 2019 the CoC is emphasizing families with children, homeless youth and the chronically homeless including ex-offenders. Fort Bend County is emphasizing families with children involved in the criminal justice and/or foster care system, families with a member with a mental illness or other disabilities.

The County has only two emergency shelters the Fort Bend County Women's Center and the Parks Youth Ranch. The FBC Women's Center provides assistance to victims of domestic abuse and the Parks Youth Ranch provides assistance to unaccompanied youth. These two shelter populations represent the majority of underserved populations that the County will serve with ESG assistance during FY 2019.

During FY 2019, Fort Bend County is allocating a large portion of the CDBG Program allocation to water and sewer improvements in five communities. Most of these projects are multi-year projects to provide water and sewer service improvements to older underserved communities.

Actions planned to foster and maintain affordable housing

Texas counties do not have any land-use powers, as a result, Fort Bend County is limited to educating the public about the need to foster and maintain affordable housing and directing fair housing complaints to HUD field offices. The County will encourage local governments, social service providers, neighborhood groups, and developers interested in affordable housing to continue to work together.

The County will continue to provide these groups with technical assistance in the preparation of proposals and applications for HOME Program funds and other sources of housing funds.

One of the overall goals of the community planning and development programs covered by the consolidated plan are to develop viable communities by providing decent housing. The County's priority under this goal is increasing the supply of affordable housing to extremely low-income, low-income, and moderate-income households. The first objective under this priority is to provide assistance to increase the availability of standard quality housing to extremely low-income, very low-income, and low-income families. Accordingly, the County's five-year objectives include providing down payment and closing costs assistance, rental assistance, and assisting neighborhood groups to become CHDOs. The second objective under this priority is to provide housing rehabilitation to extremely low-income, low-income, and moderate-income owner-occupied households. The County's five-year objectives include providing owner-occupied rehabilitation assistance, owner-occupied housing rehabilitation housing repairs, water and sewer connections, and demolition and reconstruction assistance.

During FY 2019, Fort Bend County will fund the Houston Area Urban CDC to provide downpayment assistance with HOME Program funds. This project (Project 17) addresses objective DH 1.1.

The County will use HOME Program funds for the County's Housing Rehabilitation Program (Project 16). This program will address goals DH 2.1 and DH 4.3.

Actions planned to reduce lead-based paint hazards

In this section the jurisdiction must describe the actions it plans to take during the next year to evaluate and reduce the number of housing units containing lead-based paint hazards in order to increase the inventory of lead-safe housing available to extremely low-income, low-income, and moderate-income families.

During FY 2019, the County will continue to comply with HUD's lead-based paint regulation and keep abreast of any changes proposed regarding lead-based paint. The County will continue to contract with a certified contractor to perform lead assessments on properties built before 1978 that may contain lead-based paint for the County's Housing Rehabilitation Program (Project 16).

The County also will conduct lead based paint inspections of properties provided assistance through the CoC and ESG Rapid Re-Housing and Homeless Prevention program activities. In addition, the County will continue to provide educational material regarding lead-based paint hazards and to use CDBG, HOME and ESG Program funds to evaluate and reduce lead-based paint hazards in homes and facilities.

Actions planned to reduce the number of poverty-level families

In this section the jurisdiction must describe the actions it plans to take during the next year to reduce the number of poverty level families (as defined by the Office of Management and Budget and revised annually), taking into consideration factors over which the jurisdiction has control.

Fort Bend County has very little control over the factors that affect the number of poverty level families within its jurisdiction. The County is a rapidly growing community and, as a result, the number of poverty-level families is increasing as the overall population of the County continues to grow.

During FY 2019, the County may use ESG Homelessness Prevention to provide assistance to households with income below 30% of MFI. In addition, the County will encourage existing networks of social service providers to expand their efforts to coordinate referrals and services to address the needs of poverty-level families. The County also will encourage local social service providers, like Catholic Charities, to establish and expand case management systems for poverty-level families. The main programmatic action by the County to reduce the number of poverty-level families is the continued funding of the Literacy Council FBC Literacy Tutoring program (Project 14). This program improves the literacy of adults throughout the County. In addition, the County will continue to emphasize the need to serve individuals and families with incomes below thirty (30) percent of MFI. Unfortunately, the majority of individuals and families in this income category have incomes below the poverty level.

Actions planned to develop institutional structure

During FY 2019, the County will continue to work with the service providers implementing the ESG Rapid Re-housing and Homeless Prevention assistance to increase their capacity to provide services to program participants. In addition, the County also will work with Coalition for the Homeless Houston/Harris County to continue to implement the centralized and/or coordinated assessment system required by the ESG Program regulation and improve participation in the HMIS by County service providers.

During FY 2019, Fort Bend County also will continue to administer CDBG-DR program funds related to the flooding disasters of 2016 and 2017. Many of the local non-profits are providing services to victims of flooding and are realizing the need for providing housing assistance to the households that sustained damage to their housing. The County is and will continue to provide information to these groups regarding the availability of CDBG-DR assistance for their clients.

Actions planned to enhance coordination between public and private housing and social service agencies

The staff of the Fort Bend County Community Development Department will continue to work with other County departments, local governments, non-profits, neighborhood groups, and interested individuals to improve communication and coordination among groups. The department also maintains a mailing list of individuals and organizations interested in various housing and community development issues. The department will continue to provide information to interested individuals and organizations, and to work with groups with similar interests in the development of projects.

During FY 2019, the County will provide assistance to the HAU CDC to provide downpayment assistance

(Project 17).

The Community Development Department staff participates in the Fort Bend Connect, a network of service organizations that meet to share information and resources that benefit the citizens of Fort Bend County. The alliance is a United Way network of educational, religious, governmental law enforcement, and human service organizations throughout the County. The

Community Development Department Director continues to serve as an ex-officio member of the Board of Directors of the Fort Bend County Housing Finance Corporation. The Community Development Department Director also serves on the Houston Area Emergency Shelter and Food Program (ESFP) Coordinating Board and the Coalition for the Homeless Coordinating Council. The Community Development Department planner serves on the City of Houston Community Development Advisory Council and on the CoC ESGP Funders Workgroup.

During FY 2019, the County will continue to work with Coalition for the Homeless Houston/Harris County to implement the centralized and/or coordinated assessment system required by the ESG Program regulation and improve participation in the HMIS by County service providers. The implementation of the coordinated system will require increased coordination between local governments, the Coalition and eventually all homeless service providers.

Discussion:

Fort Bend County continues to take several actions to implement the goals and objectives listed in the five year Consolidated Action Plan. The population of the County continues to increase rapidly. This makes progress difficult to measure since the needs and the demand for services continues to increase. The flooding disasters of 2016 and 2017, caused many of the local non-profits that are providing social services to the victims of flooding to realize the need for providing housing assistance to the households that sustained damage to their housing. The County will continue to provide information to these groups regarding training and funding opportunities.

Program Specific Requirements

AP-90 Program Specific Requirements – 91.220(I)(1,2,4)

Introduction:

During FY 2019, Fort Bend County expects to receive \$3,090,195 from HUD.

Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG) Reference 24 CFR 91.220(I)(1)

Projects planned with all CDBG funds expected to be available during the year are identified in the Projects Table. The following identifies program income that is available for use that is included in projects to be carried out.

| | |
|--|----------|
| 1. The total amount of program income that will have been received before the start of the next program year and that has not yet been reprogrammed | 0 |
| 2. The amount of proceeds from section 108 loan guarantees that will be used during the year to address the priority needs and specific objectives identified in the grantee's strategic plan. | 0 |
| 3. The amount of surplus funds from urban renewal settlements | 0 |
| 4. The amount of any grant funds returned to the line of credit for which the planned use has not been included in a prior statement or plan | 0 |
| 5. The amount of income from float-funded activities | 0 |
| Total Program Income: | 0 |

Other CDBG Requirements

| | |
|---|---------|
| 1. The amount of urgent need activities | 0 |
| 2. The estimated percentage of CDBG funds that will be used for activities that benefit persons of low and moderate income. Overall Benefit - A consecutive period of one, two or three years may be used to determine that a minimum overall benefit of 70% of CDBG funds is used to benefit persons of low and moderate income. Specify the years covered that include this Annual Action Plan. | 100.00% |

HOME Investment Partnership Program (HOME) Reference 24 CFR 91.220(I)(2)

1. A description of other forms of investment being used beyond those identified in Section 92.205 is as follows:

The County will not use any other forms of investment being used beyond those identified in Section

92.205.

2. A description of the guidelines that will be used for resale or recapture of HOME funds when used for homebuyer activities as required in 92.254, is as follows:

- 3.

The County will fund down payment assistance or homebuyer activities with HOME Program funds for FY 2019. The recapture guidelines are included in Appendix E.

A description of the guidelines for resale or recapture that ensures the affordability of units acquired with HOME funds. See 24 CFR 92.254(a)(4) are as follows:

The County will fund down payment assistance or homebuyer activities with HOME Program funds for FY 2019. The guidelines are included in Appendix E. The County will use a second lien to ensure the affordability of units for the affordability period.

4. Plans for using HOME funds to refinance existing debt secured by multifamily housing that is rehabilitated with HOME funds along with a description of the refinancing guidelines required that will be used under 24 CFR 92.206(b), are as follows:

The County will not fund any multifamily housing with HOME Program funds during FY 2019.

**Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG)
Reference 91.220(l)(4)**

1. Include written standards for providing ESG assistance (may include as attachment)

The ESG written standards are included as Appendix D. The written guidelines, standards and outcomes were developed in cooperation with the Coalition for the Homeless, Harris County, the City of Houston, and the City of Pasadena.

2. If the Continuum of Care has established centralized or coordinated assessment system that meets HUD requirements, describe that centralized or coordinated assessment system.

The Continuum of Care is in the on-going process of establishing a coordinated assessment system that meets HUD requirements. The current coordinated access system includes a standardized intake/application form on the HMIS system. The Continuum is in the process of reviewing the HMIS data entered by subrecipients and increasing the entry and accuracy of this data. The Continuum also is continuing the process of expanding this system from CoC and ESG subrecipients to all subrecipients of federal, state, and local assistance. In the future, every homeless service and shelter provider will have access to this system.

3. Identify the process for making sub-awards and describe how the ESG allocation available to private nonprofit organizations (including community and faith-based organizations).

The development of the FY 2019 Fort Bend County Consolidated Annual Action Plan began in February of 2019. On February 27, 2019, a public notice regarding the availability of the FY 2019 RFPs and the date of a public meeting was published in a local newspaper. The FY 2019 CDBG, ESG and HOME Request for Proposals (RFPs) were emailed and mailed out on March 1, 2019.

The County maintains a mailing list of individuals and organizations interested in various housing and community development issues. These individuals, organizations, and local governments are emailed or mailed the requests for proposals (RFPs) they requested. In addition, the department also emails and mails out notices of meetings, workshops, and conferences that provide information and training on various issues.

A public meeting was held at 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, March 13, 2019 at the William B. Travis Building 301 Jackson, 1st Floor Meeting Room, Richmond, Texas to inform the public of anticipated funding levels and to measure community needs. An information session or proposer's conference was held on Thursday, March 28, 2019 to discuss the County's FY 2019 CDBG, HOME and ESG Requests for Proposals (RFPs), the contingency provisions, and to answer questions from interested organizations and local governments. The deadline for the submission of RFPs was 3:00 p.m. on Thursday, April 4, 2019. The County received seventeen (17) proposals from organizations and local governments.

The ESG Program proposals are evaluated by Fort Bend County Community Development Department staff using a standardized evaluation sheet. The evaluation sheets are totaled and all the sheet totals are averaged. The proposals are then ranked in descending order, from the highest average score to the lowest. The highest ranked proposals are fully funded if possible given ESG Statutory maximums.

The Continuum of Care has developed a Continuum wide ESG application and evaluation process. The Continuum anticipates completing a revision of the Homelessness Prevention guidelines during FY 2019.

If the jurisdiction is unable to meet the homeless participation requirement in 24 CFR 576.405(a), the jurisdiction must specify its plan for reaching out to and consulting with homeless or formerly homeless individuals in considering policies and funding decisions regarding facilities and services funded under ESG. The funding decision regarding ESG projects is made by the Fort Bend County Commissioner's Court, the elected governing body of the County. Fort Bend County requires that every applicant for ESG complete a Homeless Participation Plan Form. This form certifies that at least one homeless individual or formerly homeless individual serves on the subrecipient's board of directors, and/or that at least one homeless individual or formerly homeless individual participates in the subrecipient's formal review process and/or grievance process in terminating assistance for a program participant. (See 24 CFR 576.402(2)).

4. If the jurisdiction is unable to meet the homeless participation requirement in 24 CFR 576.405(a), the jurisdiction must specify its plan for reaching out to and consulting with homeless or formerly homeless individuals in considering policies and funding decisions regarding facilities and services funded under ESG.

Fort Bend County has a Homeless Participation Form that must be submitted by ESG Subrecipients as part of their application packet. The County also has an appeal process for the funding of ESG projects. This includes the review of any disputed ESG Program allocation by a reviewer who is homeless or was previously homeless and does not have a conflict of interest with the activity or project under review.

5. Describe performance standards for evaluating ESG.

The ESG written performance standards are included as Appendix D. The written guidelines, standards and outcomes were developed and are updated in cooperation with the Coalition for the Homeless, Harris County, the City of Houston, and the City of Pasadena.

During FY 2019, the County will continue to fund Rapid Rehousing, Homelessness Prevention, and Stabilization Services with previous year's ESG Program funds.

SF 424 and CERTIFICATION

Application for Federal Assistance SF-424

* 1. Type of Submission:

- Preapplication
- Application
- Changed/Corrected Application

* 2. Type of Application:

- New
- Continuation
- Revision

* If Revision, select appropriate letter(s):

* Other (Specify):

* 3. Date Received:

4. Applicant Identifier:

TX489157

5a. Federal Entity Identifier:

5b. Federal Award Identifier:

State Use Only:

6. Date Received by State:

7. State Application Identifier:

8. APPLICANT INFORMATION:

* a. Legal Name:

Fort Bend County Texas

* b. Employer/Taxpayer Identification Number (EIN/TIN):

74-6001969

* c. Organizational DUNS:

0000081497075

d. Address:

* Street1:

301 Jackson Street

Street2:

Suite 602

* City:

Richmond

County/Parish:

Fort Bend County

* State:

TX: Texas

Province:

* Country:

USA: UNITED STATES

* Zip / Postal Code:

77469-3108

e. Organizational Unit:

Department Name:

Community Development

Division Name:

f. Name and contact information of person to be contacted on matters involving this application:

Prefix:

Ms.

* First Name:

Marilynn

Middle Name:

* Last Name:

Kindell

Suffix:

Title:

Community Development Department Director

Organizational Affiliation:

* Telephone Number:

281-341-4410

Fax Number:

281-341-3762

* Email:

marilynn.kindell@fortbendcountytexas.gov

Application for Federal Assistance SF-424

*** 9. Type of Applicant 1: Select Applicant Type:**

B: County Government

Type of Applicant 2: Select Applicant Type:

Type of Applicant 3: Select Applicant Type:

* Other (specify):

*** 10. Name of Federal Agency:**

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD)

11. Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Number:

14.231

CFDA Title:

Emergency Solutions Grants Program Coronavirus (ESG-CV)

*** 12. Funding Opportunity Number:**

* Title:

13. Competition Identification Number:

Title:

14. Areas Affected by Project (Cities, Counties, States, etc.):

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*** 15. Descriptive Title of Applicant's Project:**

Emergency Solutions Grants Program CORONAVIRUS (ESG CV)

Attach supporting documents as specified in agency instructions.

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Application for Federal Assistance SF-424

16. Congressional Districts Of:

* a. Applicant

* b. Program/Project

Attach an additional list of Program/Project Congressional Districts if needed.

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17. Proposed Project:

* a. Start Date:

* b. End Date:

18. Estimated Funding (\$):

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| * a. Federal | <input type="text" value="936,303.00"/> |
| * b. Applicant | <input type="text" value="0.00"/> |
| * c. State | <input type="text" value="0.00"/> |
| * d. Local | <input type="text" value="0.00"/> |
| * e. Other | <input type="text" value="0.00"/> |
| * f. Program Income | <input type="text" value="0.00"/> |
| * g. TOTAL | <input type="text" value="936,303.00"/> |

*** 19. Is Application Subject to Review By State Under Executive Order 12372 Process?**

- a. This application was made available to the State under the Executive Order 12372 Process for review on
- b. Program is subject to E.O. 12372 but has not been selected by the State for review.
- c. Program is not covered by E.O. 12372.

*** 20. Is the Applicant Delinquent On Any Federal Debt? (If "Yes," provide explanation in attachment.)**

- Yes
- No

If "Yes", provide explanation and attach

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21. *By signing this application, I certify (1) to the statements contained in the list of certifications and (2) that the statements herein are true, complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I also provide the required assurances** and agree to comply with any resulting terms if I accept an award. I am aware that any false, fictitious, or fraudulent statements or claims may subject me to criminal, civil, or administrative penalties. (U.S. Code, Title 218, Section 1001)**

** I AGREE

** The list of certifications and assurances, or an internet site where you may obtain this list, is contained in the announcement or agency specific instructions.

Authorized Representative:

Prefix: * First Name:
Middle Name:
* Last Name:
Suffix:

* Title:

* Telephone Number: Fax Number:

* Email:

* Signature of Authorized Representative:

* Date Signed:

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NOTE: Certain of these assurances may not be applicable to your project or program. If you have questions, please contact the Awarding Agency. Further, certain Federal assistance awarding agencies may require applicants to certify to additional assurances. If such is the case, you will be notified.

As the duly authorized representative of the applicant, I certify that the applicant:

1. Has the legal authority to apply for Federal assistance, and the institutional, managerial and financial capability (including funds sufficient to pay the non-Federal share of project costs) to ensure proper planning, management and completion of project described in this application.
2. Will give the awarding agency, the Comptroller General of the United States and, if appropriate, the State, the right to examine all records, books, papers, or documents related to the assistance; and will establish a proper accounting system in accordance with generally accepted accounting standards or agency directives.
3. Will not dispose of, modify the use of, or change the terms of the real property title or other interest in the site and facilities without permission and instructions from the awarding agency. Will record the Federal awarding agency directives and will include a covenant in the title of real property acquired in whole or in part with Federal assistance funds to assure non-discrimination during the useful life of the project.
4. Will comply with the requirements of the assistance awarding agency with regard to the drafting, review and approval of construction plans and specifications.
5. Will provide and maintain competent and adequate engineering supervision at the construction site to ensure that the complete work conforms with the approved plans and specifications and will furnish progressive reports and such other information as may be required by the assistance awarding agency or State.
6. Will initiate and complete the work within the applicable time frame after receipt of approval of the awarding agency.
7. Will establish safeguards to prohibit employees from using their positions for a purpose that constitutes or presents the appearance of personal or organizational conflict of interest, or personal gain.
8. Will comply with the Intergovernmental Personnel Act of 1970 (42 U.S.C. §§4728-4763) relating to prescribed standards of merit systems for programs funded under one of the 19 statutes or regulations specified in Appendix A of OPM's Standards for a Merit System of Personnel Administration (5 C.F.R. 900, Subpart F).
9. Will comply with the Lead-Based Paint Poisoning Prevention Act (42 U.S.C. §§4801 et seq.) which prohibits the use of lead-based paint in construction or rehabilitation of residence structures.
10. Will comply with all Federal statutes relating to non-discrimination. These include but are not limited to: (a) Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (P.L. 88-352) which prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color or national origin; (b) Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, as amended (20 U.S.C. §§1681 1683, and 1685-1686), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of sex; (c) Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended (29 U.S.C. §794), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of handicaps; (d) the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, as amended (42 U.S.C. §§6101-6107), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of age; (e) the Drug Abuse Office and Treatment Act of 1972 (P.L. 92-255), as amended relating to nondiscrimination on the basis of drug abuse; (f) the Comprehensive Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism Prevention, Treatment and Rehabilitation Act of 1970 (P.L. 91-616), as amended, relating to nondiscrimination on the basis of alcohol abuse or alcoholism; (g) §§523 and 527 of the Public Health Service Act of 1912 (42 U.S.C. §§290 dd-3 and 290 ee 3), as amended, relating to confidentiality of alcohol and drug abuse patient records; (h) Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968 (42 U.S.C. §§3601 et seq.), as amended, relating to nondiscrimination in the sale, rental or financing of housing; (i) any other nondiscrimination provisions in the specific statute(s) under which application for Federal assistance is being made; and (j) the requirements of any other nondiscrimination statute(s) which may apply to the application.

11. Will comply, or has already complied, with the requirements of Titles II and III of the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970 (P.L. 91-646) which provide for fair and equitable treatment of persons displaced or whose property is acquired as a result of Federal and federally-assisted programs. These requirements apply to all interests in real property acquired for project purposes regardless of Federal participation in purchases.
12. Will comply with the provisions of the Hatch Act (5 U.S.C. §§1501-1508 and 7324-7328) which limit the political activities of employees whose principal employment activities are funded in whole or in part with Federal funds.
13. Will comply, as applicable, with the provisions of the Davis-Bacon Act (40 U.S.C. §§276a to 276a-7), the Copeland Act (40 U.S.C. §276c and 18 U.S.C. §874), and the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act (40 U.S.C. §§327-333) regarding labor standards for federally-assisted construction subagreements.
14. Will comply with flood insurance purchase requirements of Section 102(a) of the Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1973 (P.L. 93-234) which requires recipients in a special flood hazard area to participate in the program and to purchase flood insurance if the total cost of insurable construction and acquisition is \$10,000 or more.
15. Will comply with environmental standards which may be prescribed pursuant to the following: (a) institution of environmental quality control measures under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (P.L. 91-190) and Executive Order (EO) 11514; (b) notification of violating facilities pursuant to EO 11738; (c) protection of wetlands pursuant to EO 11990; (d) evaluation of flood hazards in floodplains in accordance with EO 11988; (e) assurance of project consistency with the approved State management program developed under the Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972 (16 U.S.C. §§1451 et seq.); (f) conformity of Federal actions to State (Clean Air) implementation Plans under Section 176(c) of the Clean Air Act of 1955, as amended (42 U.S.C. §§7401 et seq.); (g) protection of underground sources of drinking water under the Safe Drinking Water Act of 1974, as amended (P.L. 93-523); and, (h) protection of endangered species under the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (P.L. 93-205).
16. Will comply with the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act of 1968 (16 U.S.C. §§1271 et seq.) related to protecting components or potential components of the national wild and scenic rivers system.
17. Will assist the awarding agency in assuring compliance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended (16 U.S.C. §470), EO 11593 (identification and protection of historic properties), and the Archaeological and Historic Preservation Act of 1974 (16 U.S.C. §§469a-1 et seq.).
18. Will cause to be performed the required financial and compliance audits in accordance with the Single Audit Act Amendments of 1996 and OMB Circular No. A-133, "Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations."
19. Will comply with all applicable requirements of all other Federal laws, executive orders, regulations, and policies governing this program.
20. Will comply with the requirements of Section 106(g) of the Trafficking Victims Protection Act (TVPA) of 2000, as amended (22 U.S.C. 7104) which prohibits grant award recipients or a sub-recipient from (1) Engaging in severe forms of trafficking in persons during the period of time that the award is in effect (2) Procuring a commercial sex act during the period of time that the award is in effect or (3) Using forced labor in the performance of the award or subawards under the award.

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| SIGNATURE OF AUTHORIZED CERTIFYING OFFICIAL  | TITLE County Judge |
| APPLICANT ORGANIZATION Fort Bend County, Texas | DATE SUBMITTED 05/12/2020 |

ESG Certifications

The Emergency Solutions Grants Program Recipient certifies that:

Major rehabilitation/conversion – If an emergency shelter's rehabilitation costs exceed 75 percent of the value of the building before rehabilitation, the jurisdiction will maintain the building as a shelter for homeless individuals and families for a minimum of 10 years after the date the building is first occupied by a homeless individual or family after the completed rehabilitation. If the cost to convert a building into an emergency shelter exceeds 75 percent of the value of the building after conversion, the jurisdiction will maintain the building as a shelter for homeless individuals and families for a minimum of 10 years after the date the building is first occupied by a homeless individual or family after the completed conversion. In all other cases where ESG funds are used for renovation, the jurisdiction will maintain the building as a shelter for homeless individuals and families for a minimum of 3 years after the date the building is first occupied by a homeless individual or family after the completed renovation.

Essential Services and Operating Costs – In the case of assistance involving shelter operations or essential services related to street outreach or emergency shelter, the jurisdiction will provide services or shelter to homeless individuals and families for the period during which the ESG assistance is provided, without regard to a particular site or structure, so long the jurisdiction serves the same type of persons (e.g., families with children, unaccompanied youth, disabled individuals, or victims of domestic violence) or persons in the same geographic area.

Renovation – Any renovation carried out with ESG assistance shall be sufficient to ensure that the building involved is safe and sanitary.

Supportive Services – The jurisdiction will assist homeless individuals in obtaining permanent housing, appropriate supportive services (including medical and mental health treatment, victim services, counseling, supervision, and other services essential for achieving independent living), and other Federal State, local, and private assistance available for such individuals.

Matching Funds – The jurisdiction will obtain matching amounts required under 24 CFR 576.201.

Confidentiality – The jurisdiction has established and is implementing procedures to ensure the confidentiality of records pertaining to any individual provided family violence prevention or treatment services under any project assisted under the ESG program, including protection against the release of the address or location of any family violence shelter project, except with the written authorization of the person responsible for the operation of that shelter.

Homeless Persons Involvement – To the maximum extent practicable, the jurisdiction will involve, through employment, volunteer services, or otherwise, homeless individuals and families in constructing, renovating, maintaining, and operating facilities assisted under the ESG program, in providing services assisted under the ESG program, and in providing services for occupants of facilities assisted under the program.

Consolidated Plan – All activities the jurisdiction undertakes with assistance under ESG are consistent with the jurisdiction's consolidated plan.

Discharge Policy – The jurisdiction will establish and implement, to the maximum extent practicable and where appropriate policies and protocols for the discharge of persons from publicly funded institutions or systems of care (such as health care facilities, mental health facilities, foster care or other youth facilities, or correction programs and institutions) in order to prevent this discharge from immediately resulting in homelessness for these persons.

Signature/Authorized Official

May 12, 2020 _____
Date

KP George, County Judge
Title