



COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

FORT BEND COUNTY, TEXAS

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Interested Individuals

FROM: Marilynn Kindell *MKindell*

DATE: February 26, 2020

RE: FY 2020-2025 Consolidated Plan Survey

Fort Bend County is in the process of developing a Consolidated Plan that will cover the period from September 1, 2020 to August 31, 2025. The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) requires that Fort Bend County state in the Consolidated Plan its plan to pursue the five-year goals for all community planning and development programs including the Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG), the HOME Investment Partnerships Program and the Emergency Solutions Grant Program (ESG). HUD also requires that the County reflect disaster-related unmet recovery needs related to housing, homelessness, infrastructure and economic development.

Fort Bend County's CDBG, HOME, and ESG funds can be used within the unincorporated areas of Fort Bend County or within the incorporated limits of the following cities: Arcola, Beasley, Fairchilds, Fulshear, Kendleton, Meadows Place, Needville, Orchard, Pleak, Richmond, Rosenberg, Simonton, Stafford Sugar Land, and Thompsons. CDBG and HOME Program funds cannot be used to provide services for residents or fund projects within the cities of Houston, Katy, Missouri City, Pearland, or Weston Lakes.

Your input is needed to identify areas of need within your communities and to recommend five-year funding priorities. Attached is a survey form that lists needs by different categories. Please complete the survey form, provide comments and return to the Fort Bend County Community Development Department by **March 30, 2020**. The information provided in the survey will be used to prepare the FY 2020-2025 Consolidated Plan draft, set the funding priorities for FYs 2020-2025 program funds and update the County's Fair Housing Plan Analysis of Impediments.

If you need additional information or have any questions, please call Carol Borrego with this office at (281) 341-4410.

Fort Bend County, Texas
2020 Community Development Needs Survey

Fort Bend County receives an annual allocation of Federal funds from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). These funds are intended to create viable communities by providing decent housing, a suitable living environment, and expanded economic opportunities for low- and moderate-income persons. HUD requires the submission of a Consolidated Plan that identifies needs, priorities, goals, and objectives for addressing the community's needs over the next five years. As part of this process, the County is seeking public input to determine the County's five-year needs for homeless, housing, public service, economic, and infrastructure programs.

Please help us identify priority needs in your local government/community by taking a few minutes to fill out this survey. It will help us put together a strategy representative of resident needs. We would like to know what you think are your community's most pressing needs. Thank You.

Name: _____

Position: _____

*Organization: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip Code: _____

Area Code/Telephone Number: _____

Fax Number: _____

E-Mail Address _____

Please scan and e-mail completed survey to: communitydevelopment@fortbendcountytexas.gov

or mail completed survey to: Fort Bend County
Community Development Department
301 Jackson St., Suite 602
Richmond, Texas 77469

Should you have any questions, please contact Carol Borrego in the Fort Bend County Community Development Department at (281) 341-4410 or carol.borrego@fortbendcountytexas.gov

*Non-Profit Service Providers: Please list key services your organization provides and target clients.

Homeless Services and Facilities:
 (Please check an entry for each item)

	No Need	Low Need	Medium Need	High Need
Outreach Services (Services to persons on street, unsheltered)	_____	_____	_____	_____
Emergency Shelter Services	_____	_____	_____	_____
Emergency Shelter Operations:	_____	_____	_____	_____
Emergency Shelter Acquisition	_____	_____	_____	_____
Emergency Shelter Renovation	_____	_____	_____	_____
Transitional Shelter (6 months-2 years)	_____	_____	_____	_____
Permanent Supportive Housing (2 years +)	_____	_____	_____	_____
Rapid ReHousing (monthly rental subsidy)	_____	_____	_____	_____
Homelessness Prevention Assistance	_____	_____	_____	_____
Other: _____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Other: _____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Other: _____	_____	_____	_____	_____

Please identify any areas with geographic concentrations of homeless persons, any special populations of homeless persons, and any services and/or facilities for the homeless persons in your community. In addition, include any other comments you may have regarding homeless persons, services, and facilities.

<u>Special Needs Populations Services and Facilities:</u> (Please check an entry for each item)	No Need	Low Need	Medium Need	High Need
Abused/Neglected Children Services	_____	_____	_____	_____
Abused/Neglected Children Facilities	_____	_____	_____	_____
Battered Spouses Services	_____	_____	_____	_____
Battered Spouses Facilities	_____	_____	_____	_____
Elderly Persons Services	_____	_____	_____	_____
Elderly Persons Facilities	_____	_____	_____	_____
Severely Disabled Services	_____	_____	_____	_____
Severely Disabled Facilities	_____	_____	_____	_____
Homeless Persons Services	_____	_____	_____	_____
Homeless Persons Facilities	_____	_____	_____	_____
Illiterate Persons Services	_____	_____	_____	_____
Illiterate Persons Facilities	_____	_____	_____	_____
Persons With AIDS Services	_____	_____	_____	_____
Persons With AIDS Facilities	_____	_____	_____	_____
Migrant Farm Workers Services	_____	_____	_____	_____
Migrant Farm Workers Facilities	_____	_____	_____	_____
Other: _____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Other: _____	_____	_____	_____	_____

Please identify any special population needs not included above and specify if the need is for services, types of services, facilities and/or both.

<u>Affordable Housing:</u> (Please check an entry for each item)	No Need	Low Need	Medium Need	High Need
Fair Housing (Discrimination)	_____	_____	_____	_____
Housing Counseling	_____	_____	_____	_____
Homeownership: (Down payment Assistance)	_____	_____	_____	_____
Homeownership: New Construction	_____	_____	_____	_____
Homeowner Repair (Less than \$5,000)	_____	_____	_____	_____
Homeowner Rehabilitation (More than \$5,000)	_____	_____	_____	_____
Homeowner Accessibility Improvements	_____	_____	_____	_____
Homeowner Energy Efficiency	_____	_____	_____	_____
Housing for Seniors	_____	_____	_____	_____
Housing for Physically Disabled	_____	_____	_____	_____
Housing for Mentally Disabled	_____	_____	_____	_____
Housing for Ex-offenders	_____	_____	_____	_____
Rental Assistance: (Emergency Assistance)	_____	_____	_____	_____
Rental Housing Subsidy: (monthly rent)	_____	_____	_____	_____
Security Deposits	_____	_____	_____	_____
Rental Housing: New Construction	_____	_____	_____	_____
Rental Housing Rehabilitation (Apartments)	_____	_____	_____	_____
Other: _____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Other: _____	_____	_____	_____	_____

Comments you have about the need for affordable housing in your community. _____

Public Services

(Please check an entry for each item)

	No Need	Low Need	Medium Need	High Need
Service for Homeless/AIDS Persons	_____	_____	_____	_____
Senior Services	_____	_____	_____	_____
Handicapped Services (Disabilities)	_____	_____	_____	_____
Legal Services	_____	_____	_____	_____
Youth Services	_____	_____	_____	_____
Transportation Services	_____	_____	_____	_____
Substance Abuse Services	_____	_____	_____	_____
Battered and Abused Spouses	_____	_____	_____	_____
Employment Training	_____	_____	_____	_____
Crime Awareness	_____	_____	_____	_____
Fair Housing Activities	_____	_____	_____	_____
Tenant/Landlord Counseling	_____	_____	_____	_____
Child Care Services	_____	_____	_____	_____
Health Services	_____	_____	_____	_____
Abused and Neglected Children	_____	_____	_____	_____
Mental Health Services	_____	_____	_____	_____
Screening for Lead Based Paint	_____	_____	_____	_____
Neighborhood Cleanups	_____	_____	_____	_____
Food Banks	_____	_____	_____	_____
Other: _____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Other: _____	_____	_____	_____	_____

Comments you have about the need for public services in your community. _____

Public Facilities and Improvements:
(Please check an entry for each item)

**No
Need** **Low
Need** **Medium
Need** **High
Need**

Senior Centers	_____	_____	_____	_____
Handicapped Centers	_____	_____	_____	_____
Youth Centers	_____	_____	_____	_____
Neighborhood Facilities	_____	_____	_____	_____
Parks, Recreational Facilities	_____	_____	_____	_____
Child Care Centers	_____	_____	_____	_____
Health Facilities	_____	_____	_____	_____
Abused/Neglected Children Facilities	_____	_____	_____	_____
Facilities for AIDS Patients	_____	_____	_____	_____
Fire Station/Equipment	_____	_____	_____	_____
Parking Facilities	_____	_____	_____	_____
Solid Waste Disposal Improvements	_____	_____	_____	_____
Flood/Drainage Improvements	_____	_____	_____	_____
Water/Sewer Improvements	_____	_____	_____	_____
Street Improvements	_____	_____	_____	_____
Sidewalks	_____	_____	_____	_____
Clearance and Demolition	_____	_____	_____	_____
Clean Up of Contaminated Sites	_____	_____	_____	_____
Tree Planting	_____	_____	_____	_____
Other: _____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Other: _____	_____	_____	_____	_____

Comments you have about the need for public facilities and improvements in your community. _____

<u>Economic Development/Opportunity</u> (Please check an entry for each item)	No Need	Low Need	Medium Need	High Need
Commercial/Industrial Infrastructure	_____	_____	_____	_____
Commercial/Industrial Building Acquisition, Construction, Rehabilitation	_____	_____	_____	_____
Other Commercial/Industrial Improvements	_____	_____	_____	_____
Economic Development Assistance To For-Profits	_____	_____	_____	_____
Economic Development Administration and Technical Assistance	_____	_____	_____	_____
Micro-Enterprise Assistance	_____	_____	_____	_____
Nonprofit Capacity Building	_____	_____	_____	_____
Assistance to Higher Education Institution	_____	_____	_____	_____
Operation and Repair of Foreclosed Property	_____	_____	_____	_____
Other: _____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Other: _____	_____	_____	_____	_____

Comments you have about the need for economic development activities in your community. _____

Disaster Recovery Needs and Associated Priorities

HUD requires that each grantee in receipt of Community Development Block Grant Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR) funds update its Consolidated Plan to reflect disaster-related needs. This section of the Community Needs Assessment relates to disaster impact and unmet recovery needs related to housing and homelessness, infrastructure and economic development. Please provide comments below:

Housing:

Homelessness:

Infrastructure:

Economic Development:

Fair Housing Needs and Associated Priorities

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1. Have you ever encountered any form of housing discrimination?

_____ Yes _____ No (If yes, please explain)

2. Has a family member encountered any form any form of housing discrimination?

_____ Yes _____ No (If yes, please explain)

3. If you encountered housing discrimination, what did you do?

_____ Ignored it _____ Reported it.

Other (please explain) _____

4. What can be done to prevent housing discrimination in Fort Bend County, Texas?

_____ Gather Information regarding housing discrimination

_____ Distribute Fair Housing posters, pamphlets, and brochures

_____ Promote Fair Housing public service announcements (PSAs)

_____ Encourage the development of more housing

_____ Other: (please explain)

