

THE CITY OF NEW YORK
THE DEPARTMENT OF CITY PLANNING
NOTICE of the PROPOSED 2020 ANNUAL ACTION PLAN, the 2019
CONSOLIDATED ANNUAL PERFORMANCE AND EVALUATION REPORT
(CAPER), the 2019 AMENDED ANNUAL ACTION PLAN, and the FORMULATION
of the PROPOSED 2021-2025 CONSOLIDATED PLAN and the
2021 ANNUAL ACTION PLAN

TO ALL INTERESTED AGENCIES, COMMUNITY BOARDS, GROUPS, AND PERSONS:

Pursuant to waivers issued by HUD given the ongoing pandemic, the City will not hold in-person public hearings for the following submissions and has instead created an online platform that allows the public to review the proposed submissions, provide comments on each of the proposed submissions, and view responses by the City to the comments received. The online platform is available through the Department of City Planning's website, at www.nyc.gov/planning, under the Consolidated Plan page located within the About section of the website. The online platform may be directly accessed from the following web address: <https://www1.nyc.gov/site/planning/about/consolidated-plan.page>

The ***Proposed 2020 Annual Action Plan*** is the City of New York's annual application to the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for the four Office of Community Planning and Development entitlement programs: Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME), Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) and Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA).

For the 2020 Program Year, the City received **\$306,571,578** from the four HUD formula grant programs: **\$173,664,331** for CDBG; **\$74,618,822** for HOME; **\$43,641,388** for HOPWA; and **\$14,647,037** for ESG.

Note: As a result of an unintended outcome of the CARES Act, the City had to notice a Proposed 2020 HOME Annual Action Plan on August 25th of this year to avoid returning unexpended HOME funds, pursuant to federal requirements. At this time, the City is noticing a 2020 Action Plan for the remaining three grants—CDBG, ESG, and HOPWA.

The public comment period will begin **December 24, 2020** and extend for **5-days** ending **December 28, 2020**.

Written comments may be submitted online at <https://www1.nyc.gov/site/planning/about/consolidated-plan.page> or to Ms. Lisa Rambaran either via mail at the Department of City Planning, 120 Broadway, 31st Floor, New York, New York 10271 or email: Con-PlanNYC@planning.nyc.gov.

Any comments received will be summarized and agencies' responses incorporated into the submission to HUD.

The Department of City Planning (DCP) is also announcing a **30-day** public comment period from **December 24, 2020** until **January 22, 2021** on the ***Formulation of the Proposed 2021-2025 Consolidated Plan and the 2021 Annual Action Plan***.

The Consolidated Plan sets forth the City's proposed use of federal funds to address housing, services for the homeless, supportive housing service and community development needs, affirmatively further fair housing, and the development of proposed activities. The public comment period is intended to provide the public an opportunity to ask questions and raise concerns about the *Proposed 2021-2025 Consolidated Plan and the 2021 Action Plan*.

Because Congress has yet to pass the FFY 2021 HUD Appropriations Bill, the actual grant amounts the City will receive for 2021 remain to be determined.

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The Department of City Planning is also announcing a **15-day** public comment period from **December 24, 2020** until **January 7, 2021** for the **2019 Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER)**.

The *CAPER* is required by the Housing and Urban Development (HUD). The *CAPER* describes the City's performance regarding the statutory requirements of the Cranston-Gonzalez Housing Act's Comprehensive Housing Affordability Strategy and the City's use of federal funds for the four HUD Office of Community Planning and Development entitlement programs: Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), HOME Investment Partnership, Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG), and Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA).

The *CAPER* gives an account of the accomplishments and commitments on the use of these funds during the 2019 program year, **January 1, 2019** to **December 31, 2019**.

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Lastly, the Department of City Planning (DCP) is also announcing a **15-day** public comment period from **December 24, 2020** until **January 7, 2021** for the proposed substantial amendment to the **2019 Annual Action Plan**.

At the end of March 2020, Congress passed, and President Trump signed into law the Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security Act (CARES Act), making grant funds available to prevent, prepare for, and respond to the COVID-19 pandemic.

HUD has announced the City's final allocation of CARES Act supplemental Community Development Block Grant (CDBG-CV3) funding of **\$122,279,413**. The City is issuing another substantial amendment to its 2019 One-Year Action Plan to identify its plan for these funds.

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Please note that the Department of City Planning will be transitioning to an email noticing platform. Please sign up to be on our email list at <https://www1.nyc.gov/site/planning/about/consolidated-plan.page> or send us an email at Con-PlanNYC@planning.nyc.gov

If you are unable to access email, please submit in writing your contact information to Lisa Rambaran, Consolidated Plan Program Manager, Department of City Planning, 120 Broadway 31st Floor, New York, New York 10271, email: Con-PlanNYC@planning.nyc.gov.

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