

NASSAU URBAN COUNTY  
CONSORTIUM

SUBSTANTIAL AMENDMENT  
FISCAL YEAR 2019 ANNUAL ACTION  
PLAN  
“CARES ACT” FUNDING  
(CDBG-CV and ESG-CV)



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# Substantial Amendment Federal Fiscal Year Action Plan 2019

Nassau Urban County Consortium  
Substantial Amendment Annual Action Plan – “CARES ACT” FUNDING (CDBG-CV and ESG-CV)  
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# Executive Summary

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

### 1. Introduction

The Nassau County Office of Community Development (OCD) is the overall administrative agent for the Federal Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program, HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME) Program, and the Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) Program, funded through the Federal U.S. Department of Housing & Urban Development (HUD). These programs are intended to support the goals of providing decent housing, providing a suitable living environment and expanding economic opportunities for low- and moderate-income people.

On March 27, 2020 the United States Congress passed The Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (“CARES”) Act (H.R. 748). The bill provided \$5 billion for CDBG to rapidly respond to the coronavirus pandemic (COVID-19) and the economic and housing impacts caused by it, including activities to prevent, prepare for, and respond to COVID-19.

Nassau County will receive \$12,775,244 in CARES Act funding including \$8,525,089 in Community Development Block Grant – Coronavirus (CDBG–CV) funding and \$4,250,155 in Emergency Solutions Grant – Coronavirus (ESG-CV) funding. A Substantial Amendment to the FY 2019-2020 Annual Action Plan is required by HUD to report on the activities the OCD will fund with these additional resources. Usually a thirty (30) day public comment period is required for an action plan substantial amendment however, HUD has waived this requirement provided that no less than five days are provided for public comments on each substantial amendment to expedite the use of this funding. The requirement to hold in-person public hearings to comply with social distancing requirements and limitations on public gatherings has also been waived. Nassau County’s Citizen Participation Plan has been updated to reflect this guidance.

The CDBG-CV funds allocated under the CARES Act may be used for a range of eligible activities that prevent, prepare for, and respond to the COVID-19 virus. The proposed activities must meet the three National Objectives as required by CDBG regulations:

- Benefit low-and-moderate income persons,
- Aid in the prevention or elimination of slums or blight, and
- Meet an urgent need.

In addition, and for the purpose of an expedited use of the CDBG-CV funding, the bill eliminates the cap on the amount of funds a grantee can spend on public services and allows grantees to be reimbursed for COVID-19 response activities regardless of the date the costs were incurred.

It is not yet known when social distancing restrictions will be lifted or what the lasting impacts will be. As the full effects of this pandemic unfold, the County will continue to work with Consortium members, county agencies, stakeholders, and the public at large to address the burgeoning needs.

Nassau County, New York encompasses a 287 square mile-area on Long Island and is bounded on the west by the Borough of Queens, on the north by the Long Island Sound, on the east by Suffolk County, and on the south by the Atlantic Ocean. Nassau has evolved during over the years, from a bedroom community with strong economic ties to New York City, to a densely developed suburban and urban county with a strong economic base of its own. The County has been participating in the Federal Community Development Block Grant Program since its inception in 1975. The Urban County Consortium, one of the largest in the nation, currently includes 30 separate municipalities encompassing over 90% of Nassau's population.

### **Additional Text Introduction**

The Nassau County Annual Action Plan presents a one-year strategy for addressing housing and community revitalization needs within the 30-member Urban County Consortium. It includes a plan for spending \$14,067,286.00 in CDBG, \$2,330,375.00 in HOME, and \$1,206,363.00 in ESG funds as well as program income funds. Funds for all the consolidated programs will be spent on housing and community development related activities along with program administration and planning.

The Nassau Urban County Consortium was established by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) as the vehicle to facilitate the distribution of Federal housing funding to local communities. As it is currently comprised, the Consortium is one of the largest in the United States, encompassing 30 communities. The Consortium includes: three (3) towns: Hempstead, North Hempstead and Oyster Bay; two (2) cities: Glen Cove and Long Beach; and 25 villages: Bayville, Bellerose, Cedarhurst, East Rockaway, Farmingdale, Floral Park, Freeport, Garden City, Great Neck Plaza, Hempstead, Island Park, Lynbrook, Malverne, Manorhaven, Massapequa Park, Mineola, New Hyde Park, Rockville Centre, Roslyn, Sea Cliff, South Floral Park, Stewart Manor, Valley Stream, Westbury and Williston Park.

Nassau County's general approach to housing and community development has been to establish a composite of programs that provide an opportunity for each member community to establish its own priorities. These priorities, however, must be designed to meet the objectives of the County's overall housing and community development activities.

## **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.

The Goals and Objectives of the original Action Plan remain the same as they each address the three objectives of the HUD Office of Community Planning and Development (CPD) Performance Measurement Framework (1) Creating Suitable Living Environments (2) Providing Decent, Affordable Housing (3) Creating Economic Opportunities.

The outcome indicators outlined in the Amended Annual Plan sections offer an adjusted estimate of the expected annual accomplishments of the OCD. As much of the County is closed for business other than essential workers, the anticipated goals set forth in the Action Plan likely will not be met. These original anticipated outcomes were based on assumed funding levels, previous performance, and priority needs of the County and its Consortium members. Each outcome corresponds with one of the three outcomes of the CPD Performance Measurement Framework: (1) Availability/Accessibility (2) Affordability (3) Sustainability

The following is a summary of the objectives and anticipated outcomes identified in this Amended Annual Action Plan:

#### **Availability/Accessibility of Decent, Affordable Housing**

Nassau County is committed to the goal of promoting integrated communities and expanding affordable housing opportunities including in high opportunity areas. As such, the County is currently undertaking an Affordable Housing Study to assess the current housing needs within the County.

Additionally, the County has taken the following steps to encourage its municipal consortium members to take steps toward addressing the need for more affordable housing:

- ✓ In FY 2019, Nassau County OCD has set aside CDBG funding explicitly for the purpose of funding affordable housing units in high opportunity areas (HOA's). This funding, set at \$800,000 this Program Year is available to consortium members interested in undertaking activities, such as property acquisition, clearance, and disposition and/or site preparation that will result in the production of affordable housing.
- ✓ In FY2016, OCD established the requirement that all municipal consortium members must develop a Fair Housing Activity Statement (FHAS) that details the actions it will undertake to affirmatively further fair housing and overcome the impediments to fair housing within its jurisdiction. The submission of an annual progress report was a prerequisite for applying for CDBG and HOME funds in FY2019.
- ✓ The new FY2019 CDBG new online application included bonus points for municipal consortium members that have inclusionary zoning, multi-family housing and affordable housing.
- ✓ Nassau County is in the process of undertaking a comprehensive fair housing advertising campaign to be undertaken in the coming months.
- ✓ In addition to the advertising campaign, the County will prepare a report that identifies land within the County that may be suitable for the development of mixed-income housing.

- ✓ OCD increased promotion of the HOME Program including the creation and distribution of an informational flyer has led to a significant increase in the number of HOME funding applications received in FY2019.

## **Summary of Objectives Continued**

### **Affordability of Decent Housing**

- ✓ Rental assistance for low income households: 2,550 households assisted through tenant-based rental assistance per year. Housing Choice Vouchers are being utilized.
- ✓ Direct homeownership assistance: 16 households to receive direct financial assistance. This goal will not be met as the housing market has seen a marked downturn and banks are cautiously lending. Anticipated goal 5.
- ✓ Owner occupied housing rehabilitation: rehabilitate 90 households. The residential rehabilitation program has been shut down, thus depleting the number of homeowners being assisted with weatherization and other necessary repairs. It is unknown when the program will continue. Anticipated goal is 30-40 households.
- ✓ Housing support services for homeless persons: assist 1,400 households. This is unknown and difficult to predict as the homeless population is growing and the needs related to COVID-19 are being addressed in a multifaceted way.
- ✓ Housing support services for special needs populations: assist 20 households.

### **Sustainability of Decent, Affordable Housing**

- ✓ Housing support services for low/mod income households: Approximately 500 households will be assisted with various housing support services.

### **Sustainability of Suitable Living Environment**

- ✓ Homeless prevention, Rapid-Rehousing and Street Outreach: assist 360 households and 1,317 singles with the Emergency Solutions Grants (ESG) Program – Homeless Prevention-Rapid Re-Housing component.
- ✓ Provision of public services: assist communities through senior, youth and other programs, reaching 30,000 people.
- ✓ Public facilities and improvement projects: fund PF&I projects such as street and sidewalk improvements, park improvements, neighborhood facilities, food pantries, and architectural barrier removal: Approximately 20 projects will be undertaken. Because only essential construction is currently allowed to be undertaken due to NY State rules, this number will be diminished.
- ✓ Elimination of blight through demolition: demolish 2 homes.

### **Sustainability of Economic Opportunities**

- ✓ Upgrade physical condition of local businesses: facade and commercial rehabilitation for approximately 15 businesses. Because only essential construction is allowed to be undertaken due to NY State rules, this number will be diminished.

### **3. Evaluation of past performance**

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Following are the accomplishments of the OCD for last year's (PY2017) Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER).

- ✓ 15 new affordable homeowner units had been produced
- ✓ 30 households had received downpayment assistance.
- ✓ 2,550 Housing Choice Vouchers continue to provide rental assistance to households in need.
- ✓ 1 special needs rental housing unit has been rehabilitated or preserved.
- ✓ 618 low/mod income households have received housing support services.
- ✓ 27 special needs households received housing support services
- ✓ Via the ESG program approximately 600 households annually continue to receive homeless housing support services.
- ✓ 90 ownership housing units have received rehabilitation assistance.
- ✓ Approximately 30,000 low and moderate-income persons continue to be served annually through senior, youth and other programs and services.
- ✓ 400,000 low/mod income persons benefited from Public Facilities and Improvements (PF&I) projects.
- ✓ 90 housing units have been inspected for lead based paint and had hazards removed.
- ✓ 26 projects or businesses have been assisted through physical upgrades to local business areas.

### **4. Summary of Citizen Participation Process and consultation process**

Summary from citizen participation section of plan.

In preparation of the Substantial Amendment, NC OCD consulted with numerous County Agencies, homeless providers, non-profit organizations, consortium communities, fair housing advocates, and County residents. Several methods were undertaken to obtain the vital information necessary to complete this Amendment. The following was undertaken and will be discussed at length in AP10 "Consultation Process":

- ✓ A "COVID-19 Priority Funding and Needs Assessment" survey was created and was widely distributed throughout the County. It was available in both English and Spanish.

- ✓ One of the three Five-Year Consolidated Plan Public Hearings had COVID-19 related content and encouraged comment and questions regarding the funding.
- ✓ The April 2020 Consolidated Planning Committee meetings put not only a focus on the current planning process for the Con Plan, but also on COVID-19 related issues.
- ✓ A Consortium-wide conference call took place to provide input and brainstorming on how best to address the pandemic happening at the local level.
- ✓ An Emergency Resolution was passed by the Nassau County Legislature to approve the Substantial Amendment to the FY2019 Action Plan.

In preparation of the regular Action Plan, OCD consulted and coordinated with County agencies, Consortium communities, public housing authorities, and not-for-profit organizations. The public hearings were publicized in both English and Spanish in a County-wide newspaper (*Newsday*), advertised on the County website, as well as via e-mail and telephone communication. The first public hearing was held on February 13, 2019 and the second public hearing was held on May 8, 2019. A draft of the Action Plan was available for public review on May 2, 2019 for a 30-day public comment period.

The Plan was submitted to the Nassau County Legislature for review and approval during two consecutive Legislative sessions held on June 3, 2019 and June 24, 2019. A Citizen Participation Plan accompanies the Plan document and it calls for public hearings and specifies when program changes require amendment to the Action Plan.

In addition to the Nassau County OCD Public Hearings, the Big “8” communities are required to hold their own public hearings according to the Nassau County Citizen Participation Plan. Although the smaller municipalities are not required to hold public hearings, we request that they engage residents in the process and indeed hold their own public hearings. Each municipality who applied for CDBG funds during FY2019 held a public hearing. This further allows the public, at the local level, to vocalize the needs of the community.

## **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.

Citizen Participation written comments are attached to the FY2019 Annual Action Plan. No formal comments have been submitted relative to the Substantial Amendment.

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

All comments have been accepted.

## **7. Summary**



## 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 administering the program and funding source.

Agency Role	Name	Department
CDBG Administrator	NASSAU COUNTY	Kevin J. Crean, Director
HOME Administrator	NASSAU COUNTY	Kevin J. Crean, Director
ESG Administrator	NASSAU COUNTY	Kevin J. Crean, Director

Table 1 – Responsible Agencies

### Narrative (optional)

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

### **1. Introduction**

As for Consultation for the Substantial Amendment, several initiatives were undertaken. First, a “COVID-19 Priority Funding and Needs Assessment” survey was created and was widely distributed throughout the County. The survey was available in both Spanish and English. The survey’s intention was to assess the current and anticipated impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic. The results of the survey have driven the focus of CDBG-CV and ESG-CV funds.

NC OCD, as part of the ongoing Consolidated planning process, conducted three public hearings. The second public hearing took place on April 21, 2020 and provided information on CDBG-CV and ESG-CV funding opportunities. This was held virtually via video conferencing to comply with the current New York State ban on public gatherings due to COVID-19. The hearing complied with local, state, and federal regulations and guidance on public meetings and on the use of video conferencing for attendance and participation by the public body. This public hearing contained COVID-19 related content and NC OCD fielded comments and questions to the best of its ability as the Federal Register has not yet been released for formal guidance.

To further add to the robust nature of the consultation process in such a short timeframe, NC OCD dedicated a portion of the April 2020 Consolidated Planning committee meetings to discuss Nassau County’s response to the COVID-19 crisis. The committees consisted of fair housing advocates, County agencies, homeless providers, homeless individuals, non-profit agencies, municipal representatives, non-profit and for-profit developers, and Public Housing Authority representatives. Each committee member served an important role in articulating what he/she was witnessing in real time as this pandemic unfolds. Each meeting was held as a conference call and they were as follows:

- ✓ April 7, 2020 – Fair Housing Committee
- ✓ April 9, 2020 – Homeless Need Housing Committee
- ✓ April 9, 2020 – Management Companies and Developers Committee
- ✓ April 10, 2020 – Non-Housing Capital Improvements Committee
- ✓ April 10, 2020 – Public Services Committee
- ✓ April 15, 2020 – Public Housing Committee

Nassau County OCD also conducted a consortium-wide conference call on April 14, 2020. The purpose of the call was to discuss the funds Nassau County was slated to receive through the HUD formula allocation process. Each consortium member had the opportunity to discuss the current and future needs of its community and brainstorm ideas for combatting the human and economic impact of COVID-19. The priorities identified centered around health and safety, assisting small businesses, and preventing homelessness.

Based on all the information gathered, CDBG-CV and ESG-CV applications were made available for only COVID-19 related activities. Funding priorities have been based on the consultation and feedback received through the process. As the funding priorities had been set, the Substantial Amendment was submitted to the Nassau County Legislature as an emergency item on Monday, April 20, 2020 and approved unanimously. The public notice was publicized on April 29, 2020 in both English and Spanish in a County-wide newspaper (*Newsday*), advertised on the County website, and widely distributed for comment. The comment period of five days elapsed on May 3, 2020 with no formal comments submitted.

In the preparation of the regular FY2019 Action Plan, OCD consulted and coordinated with appropriate public and private agencies to assure that the Action Plan addresses statutory requirements.

**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 Nassau County Consortium, through the Office of Community Development, will work with municipalities, not-for-profit organizations, and other County agencies to provide supportive services and housing for individuals who are in need. As the pandemic unfolds, the Consolidated Planning process was underway. OCD met three times with six separate committees, including three Housing Needs Committees (focused individually on homelessness, development, and public housing), a Public Services Committee, a Non-Housing Needs Committee, and a Fair Housing/Analysis of Impediments Committee. These committees included Nassau County agencies, Consortium communities, not-for-profit organizations, housing developers and managers, homeless citizens and public housing authorities. The main purpose of these meetings was to inform the Consolidated Plan and Analysis of Impediments and assist with information gathering. However, these meetings also served to enhance coordination between the various agencies and organizations. The collaboration and expertise shared at these meetings was successful enough that the OCD plans to continue meeting with some of these committees beyond the scope of the Consolidated Plan. Because of these committee meetings, NC OCD was able to elicit valuable information relating to the COVID-19 crisis in real time.

During the regular planning process, the Office of Community Development works with municipalities, not-for-profit organizations, and other County agencies to provide supportive services and housing for individuals who are in need. OCD works closely with the Housing Authorities to determine if their annual plans are consistent with Nassau County’s Five-Year Consolidated Plan. Certifications of Consistency are routinely analyzed and signed off on by this office. OCD routinely funds a wide variety of non-profit organizations and meets with a multitude of organizations in order to assess how OCD can assist in meeting the needs of low-income residents. OCD coordinates with Nassau County Department of Social Services, Nassau County Office of the Aging, Nassau County Mental Health Association, and the Nassau/Suffolk Continuum of Care (CoC) to try to meet the housing and health related needs of the most vulnerable people.

**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.**

The coordination with the Continuum of Care is critical during this unprecedented COVID-19 pandemic. It has taken on an urgent nature as street homeless, shelter population, and homeless providers by association are extremely vulnerable to this virus. In addition to having a high risk of contracting COVID-19, the homeless population will likely continue to grow as more people lose their jobs or have reduced income because of the devastating economic effects of the COVID-19 pandemic. Efforts are being made to provide residents with services and funding they need to maintain their homes and provide other services that help keep residents in their homes. Organizations are teaming up to provide as much of the essentials as they possibly can for the homeless population that may have contracted COVID-19 and to reduce the spread of COVID-19 through the shelter system. Veterans are being particularly hard hit by the virus, which only adds to the many other health and mental health issues they are experiencing.

Nassau County has been participating in conference calls with the CoC and representatives from other organizations and agencies including the NYS Office of Temporary Disability Assistance (OTDA), U.S. Interagency Council on Homelessness (USICH), Nassau DSS, and Suffolk DSS. The purpose is to trade ideas as well as planning for immediate uses of CDBG-CV and ESG-CV funds and for the aftermath. The group is also looking at homeless delivery systems in other regions.

NC OCD will consult with the CoC after reviewing applications as there may be organizations that did not apply but who can address an unmet need.

The FY2019 Action Plan through its Emergency Shelter, Homeless Prevention, and Rapid Re-Housing components expected to serve 360 families, and 1,317 singles. These estimates may shift, as there is currently a moratorium on evictions in New York State, which will stave off a wide influx of homeless until at least the summer.

Nassau County Office of Community Development (OCD) continues to work closely with NY-603, the regional Continuum of Care to which Nassau County belongs. Over the course of this past year OCD finalized an assessment tool based on New York City's Home Base assessment tool designed by Shinn and Greer. This assessment tool has been approved by the CoC for use with our Homeless Prevention program and will allow this office to serve as the Coordinated Entry for Nassau County Homeless Prevention as we head into the 45th YR.

The CoC is consistent in their directive that the entirety of the Nassau County ESG grant be applied toward Rapid Re-Housing (RRH). While OCD does not agree with stopping all activities other than Rapid Re-Housing, OCD continues to hold the emergency shelter portion of expenditure down in order to fund a robust Rapid Re-Housing program. As this is the first Rapid Re-Housing program launched by this office, we have taken time to carefully design the program based on extensive research of Rapid Re-

Housing programs across the country as well as serious consideration of the unique challenges posed to the model by the cost of housing in our County as well as the number of families who qualify as chronically homeless in our shelter system. OCD is funding RRH in the 44th and 45th YR through a subgrant to The Interfaith Nutrition Network (The INN). The program name will be Move INN Long Island, will focus on chronically homeless families, and is set to start June 1, 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**

At this point in time, NC OCD is working with the CoC to determine where ESG-CV funds can best be allocated for the purpose of serving the homeless while in a pandemic.

OCD attends the monthly Continuum of Care meetings held at the offices of the lead agency for NY-603. The administrator for ESG meets regularly with the associate director of the lead agency and continually shares research, ideas, and strategies. All ESG programs use HMIS so the CoC is able to track the activities and progress of all ESG programs.

**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**

1	<b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>	Nassau County Department of Social Services
	<b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>	Services - Housing Services-Children Services-Elderly Persons Services-Persons with Disabilities Services-Persons with HIV/AIDS Publicly Funded Institution/System of Care Grantee Department
	<b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>	Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless Homeless Needs - Families with children Homelessness Needs - Veterans Homelessness Needs - Unaccompanied youth Homelessness Strategy
	<b>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b>	NC OCD has been working extremely closely with DSS to Nassau County residents in response to the COVID-19 pandemic. The impact is growing and the full effect are not yet known. Emergency services are currently underway to provide food and housing to new and those who have been experiencing poverty in the neighborhood. NC OCD meets frequently throughout the year with NC I and other community needs and to discuss use of anticipated services. Collaboration and communication will better assist those who are homeless or are on the verge of homelessness. A representative often participates in a public hearing to address any concerns of Nassau County residents regarding Nassau County services.
2	<b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>	Long Island Housing Services
	<b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>	Service-Fair Housing

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	<b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>	Fair Housing
	<b>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b>	OCD consistently funds Long Island Housing Services to provide education and outreach for Long Island residents, realtors, Section 8 tenants, non-profit entities, and other appropriate organizations. Since the coronavirus outbreak, there has been discrimination in that those residents who have contracted the virus and want to return to their apartment have been turned away. LIHS is working on a plan to assist a number of those residents. LIHS often attends OCD public hearings, provides educational material and speaks about the services they provide. The attendance of profit entities who were consulted provides valuable input regarding the populations that they serve. This close coordination has continued over the course of the years and allows for better prioritization of needs.
3	<b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>	Long Island Housing Partnership, Inc.
	<b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>	Housing Services - Housing Service-Fair Housing Regional organization
	<b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>	Housing Need Assessment Market Analysis

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	<b>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b>	OCD consults frequently and partners with Long Island Homeless (LIHP) on the First-Time Homebuyers Program. Consultations indicate there is a need for down payment assistance to enable families to be able to afford a home. OHCD sets aside yearly HOME funds. Additional consultation was undertaken for the CDBG[-C] including Food Bank providers homeless providers and service providers as numerous non-profit agencies that deal with health, mental health and substance abuse counseling.
4	<b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>	Long Beach Reach, Inc.
	<b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>	Services-Children Services-Elderly Persons Services-Health Neighborhood Organization
	<b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>	Homeless Needs - Families with children Non-Homeless Special Needs
	<b>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b>	Consultation with Long Beach Reach, Inc. took place over the Consolidated Planning committee meeting dealing with the response. It is clear that funding will be allocated to this Nassau County non-profit organizations who will be dealing with mental health issues and accompanying substance abuse.
5	<b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>	Long Island Coalition for the Homeless
	<b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>	Services - Housing Services-Children Services-Elderly Persons Services-homeless Neighborhood Organization

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	<b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>	Housing Need Assessment Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless Homeless Needs - Families with children Homelessness Needs - Veterans Homelessness Needs - Unaccompanied youth Homelessness Strategy
	<b>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b>	Long Island Coalition of the Homeless (LICH) has been consulted regarding the impact of the coronavirus outbreak that continues to spread. NC OCD has a close relationship with this organization on a coordinated response to those families that are experiencing homelessness or are at risk of becoming homeless. Those experiencing homelessness are amongst those most vulnerable. NC OCD has a close relationship with all of the shelter providers in Nassau County and coordinates housing.
6	<b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>	North Shore Child & Family Guidance Center
	<b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>	Services-Children Services-Health Neighborhood Organization
	<b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>	Non-Homeless Special Needs
	<b>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b>	North Shore Child and Family Guidance Center regularly consults with County families and children. NC OCD had several discussions with this organization to ramp up the anticipated needs related to the coronavirus outbreak.
7	<b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>	Island Harvest
	<b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>	Services-Children Services-Elderly Persons Services-Persons with Disabilities Neighborhood Organization

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	<b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>	Non-Homeless Special Needs Anti-poverty Strategy
	<b>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b>	Island Harvest is one of Long Islands largest food banks & organizations. NC OCD has awarded old CDBG funds to provide additional food to meet the intense need. The County will and consult Island Harvest throughout the COVID-19 crisis.

**Identify any Agency Types not consulted and provide rationale for not consulting**

**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 other plan?
Continuum of Care	Continuum of Care	The goals of the Continuum of Care group overlap with the Strategic Plan regarding homelessness.
Sustainable Communities Implementation Plan	New York-Connecticut Sustainable Communities Consortium	The goals of the plan overlap with the goals of the Strategic Plan and strategic planning.
Nassau County Complete Streets Report	Nassau County Department of Public Works	The goals of the Report are to show best practice and use our streets which should be designed for higher accessibility levels.

**Table 3 – Other local / regional / federal planning efforts**

**Narrative (optional)**

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## **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**

This Substantial Amendment to the FY 2019-2020 Annual Action Plan is required by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) to report on the activities the OCD will fund with these additional resources and how it will prevent, prepare for and respond to COVID-19. Usually a thirty (30) day public comment period is required for an action plan amendment however, HUD has waived this requirement provided that no less than five days are provided for public comments on each substantial amendment to expedite the use of this funding.

Given the truncated nature of the Substantial Amendment process, the citizen engagement for the Amendment was quite robust. A “COVID-19 Priority Funding and Needs Assessment” survey was created and was widely distributed throughout the County. The survey was available in both Spanish and English. The survey’s intention was to assess the current and anticipated impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic and the results of the survey have driven the focus of CDBG-CV and ESG-CV funds.

A virtual public hearing on the Consolidated Plan contained COVID-19 information and questions and comments were encouraged. By conducting the public hearing virtually, it provided an improved format for citizens to view/listen from any location on their computer or phone. NC OCD saw a large increase in attendance and participation. Another benefit is that this medium provided closed captioning for the hearing impaired and Spanish language translation services. Any other reasonable accommodation request was encouraged.

In addition, Nassau County OCD engaged with four (4) minority run County agencies which that are focused on the needs of minority residents. These included, Office of Asian Affairs, Office of Hispanic Affairs, Office of Minority Affairs, and the Office of Community Engagement.

These agencies were delegated to reach out to the communities they represent, including minority communities and faith-based organizations. The County also engaged non-profit providers that deal with special needs populations and those individuals least likely to participate.

In preparation of the Action Plan, the Nassau County Office of Community Development (OCD) consulted and coordinated with certain agencies serving the County, as well as consortium communities, public housing authorities, developers, and not-for-profit organizations that were interested in participating and providing input on housing and community development needs. Two public hearings were scheduled after being publicized in a County-wide newspaper (*Newsday*), via email and telephone, and on Nassau County's website. These public hearings were held on February 13, 2019 and May 8, 2019. The February 13th Public Hearing took place in the evening to provide an opportunity for those residents who work during the day to participate. Input from consortium communities and non-profit

entities was solicited at the Public Hearings as it relates to the use of federal funds on housing and community development projects. The draft Action Plan was available for public review for a 30-day comment period beginning May 2, 2019.

The Plan was submitted to the Nassau County Legislature for review and approval during two Legislative sessions held on June 3rd and June 24, 2019, giving the Legislature time to review the Action Plan after all public comments have been submitted. The Plan was approved. A Citizen Participation Plan accompanies the Action Plan document. It calls for public hearings and it also specifies when program changes require amendments to the Consolidated or Action Plan.

**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	Public Hearing	<p>Minorities</p> <p>Non-English Speaking - Specify other language: Spanish</p> <p>Persons with disabilities</p> <p>Non-targeted/broad community</p> <p>Residents of Public and Assisted Housing</p> <p>Civic Associations, Developers, Realtors, Housing Advocates</p>	<p>The First Public Hearing was held on February 13, 2019 at the Nassau County Legislative Chambers at 1550 Franklin Avenue, Mineola, New York at 6:00 pm. There were forty-three (43) individuals in attendance including Nassau County Departments, Nassau County Legislature, Consortium Members, Civic Association members, Non-Profit Agencies, Developers, Consultants, Realtors, Housing Advocates, Chamber of Commerce Members, and Community Development Corporations.</p>	<p>All Public Comments are attached to this Action Plan.</p>	<p>All comments were accepted.</p>	

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)
2	Public Hearing	<p>Minorities</p> <p>Non-English Speaking - Specify other language: Spanish</p> <p>Persons with disabilities</p> <p>Residents of Public and Assisted Housing</p> <p>Civic Associations, Developers, Realtors, Housing Advocates, Nassau County Legislators</p>	<p>The Second Public Hearing was held on May 8, 2019 at the Nassau County Legislative Chambers at 1550 Franklin Avenue, Mineola, New York at 10:00 am. There were 20 individuals in attendance including Nassau County Departments, Nassau County Administration, Consortium Members, non-Profit Agencies, Developers, Homeless Providers, Fair Housing Advocates, Consultants, and Realtors.</p>	<p>All Public Comments are attached to this Action Plan.</p>	<p>All comments were accepted.</p>	



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)
3	Newspaper Ad	Minorities Non-English Speaking - Specify other language: Spanish Persons with disabilities Non-targeted/broad community Residents of Public and Assisted Housing		No comments were received.		

Table 4 – Citizen Participation Outreach

## Expected Resources

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

#### Introduction

Nassau County anticipated that funding will be available from federal, state and private sources. Federal resources include the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program, HOME Investment Partnership (HOME) Program, Emergency Solutions Grants (ESG) Program, Housing Choice Voucher Program and Project Based Voucher Programs, Comprehensive Grants for PHA's, and Low-Income Tax Credit programs among others. Resources available from the State of New York are likely to include funds made available through the Housing Trust Fund Corporation. Private resources include financing

through local banks and programs through the Federal Home Loan Bank.

### **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	14,027,286	40,000	4,701,518	18,768,804	4,701,518	The CDBG Program is a Federal program with the objective of assisting low and moderate income persons, eliminating slums and blight and/or addressing urgent community development needs. In FFY 2019, \$14,027,286 in CDBG funds will be provided to the Nassau Urban County Consortium and non-profit agencies for use on eligible projects. Nassau County is expected to generate approximately \$40,000 in program income. CDBG funds and program income can be used for a range of activities related to
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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: \$		
								housing, economic development, commercial revitalization, public services, infrastructure, and public facilities. An estimated 80% of CDBG funds will be used to benefit extremely low, low and moderate income persons.

HOME	public - federal	Acquisition Homebuyer assistance Homeowner rehab Multifamily rental new construction Multifamily rental rehab New construction for ownership TBRA							The HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME) Program is a federal housing initiative with the primary objectives of expanding the supply of owner and rental housing for low income households. The HOME program is administered by the Nassau County Office of Community Development. Nassau County has been allocated \$2,280,375 in HOME funds for FFY 2019. Nassau County is expected to generate approximately \$50,000 in program income. Funding is targeted to projects which will provide rental, homeownership
			2,280,375	50,000	3,264,129	5,594,504	3,264,129		

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: \$		
								and transitional housing for extremely low, low and moderate income households through new construction, acquisition, and substantial rehabilitation activities. HOME funds can be used for housing related activities including real property acquisition, rehabilitation, new construction, tenant based rental assistance, home buyer assistance, and support services.

ESG	public - federal	Conversion and rehab for transitional housing Financial Assistance Overnight shelter Rapid re- housing (rental assistance) Rental Assistance Services Transitional housing	1,206,363	0	2,620,002	3,826,365	2,620,002	Nassau County has been allocated \$1,206,363 in Emergency Solutions Grants funds for FFY 2019. The Emergency Solutions Grants (ESG) Program is a federal entitlement program which provides funding to help individuals and families quickly regain stability in permanent housing after experiencing a housing crisis or homelessness. Additionally, the funds are allocated to homeless shelters to undertake shelter rehabilitation, operations and essential services. Eligible applicants under the ESG Program include units of local
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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: \$		
								government and private non-profit organizations.

Other – CDBG- CV	public - federal	To prevent, prepare for and respond to the Coronavirus	8,525,089	0	0	8,525,089	0	Nassau County has been allocated \$8,525,089 in Community Development Block Grant Coronavirus funding (CDBG-CV) for FFY2019. The CDBG-CV Program is a Federal program with the objective of assisting low- and moderate-income persons, eliminating slums and blight and/or addressing urgent community development needs. The funds may be used to cover or reimburse allowable costs incurred by a State or locality before the award of funding (including prior to the signing of the CARES Act) to prevent,
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								<p>prepare for, and respond to COVID-19. CDBG-CV funds will be provided to the Nassau Urban County Consortium and non-profit agencies for use on eligible projects. CDBG-CV funds must be used for COVID-19 related activities related to housing, economic development, public health, public services, infrastructure, and public facilities. An estimated 70-80% of CDBG funds will be used to benefit extremely low, low- and moderate-income persons. As the public service cap of 15% has been waived by HUD, the County anticipates</p>
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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: \$		
								utilizing a large portion of CDBG-CV funds on public services.

Other – ESG-CV	public - federal	To prevent, prepare for and respond to the Coronavirus	4,250,155	0	0	4,250,155	0	Nassau County has been allocated \$4,250,155 in Emergency Solutions Grants Coronavirus (ESG-CV) funds for FFY 2019. The ESG-CV program is a Federal entitlement program in response to COVID-19. The funds may be used to cover or reimburse allowable costs incurred by a State or locality before the award of funding (including prior to the signing of the CARES Act) to prevent, prepare for, and respond to COVID-19. Up to 10 percent of funds may be used for administrative costs, as opposed to 7.5 percent as provided by 24
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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: \$		
								CFR 576.108(a). The funds are exempt from the ESG match requirements, including 24 CFR 576.201. The funds are not subject to the consultation and citizen participation requirements that otherwise apply to the Emergency Solutions Grants. The funds may be used to provide homelessness prevention assistance.

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**

ESG-CV funds do not require a match for this supplemental round of emergency funding. Other matching requirements are still place.

The HOME Program requires a 25% match of funds from non-federal sources. In FFY 2019, match funds for the Nassau County HOME Program will likely be derived from private funding and from New York State housing programs such as the Housing Trust Fund, and Low-Income Housing Tax Credit equity. Nassau County now requires most developers to pay a commitment fee in order to receive HOME funds and HOME contracts now have loan provisions as opposed to a straight grant. This results in the receipt of program income for the purpose of reinvesting into affordable housing. Additionally, program income is received when HOME affordability requirements are not adhered and thus prompts the repayment of these funds to Nassau County.

The CDBG Program does not require a match of funds, however, Nassau County receives a small amount of program income derived from a five-year mortgage recapture provision in its homeowner residential rehabilitation contracts as well as various application processing fees.

ESG Program funds must be matched with an equal amount of funds from other sources. In calculating the match, applicants may include the value of donated buildings; the value of any lease on a building; any salary paid to staff in carrying out programs; and the time and services contributed by volunteers to carry out the programs. Funding applications are required to demonstrate how the matching requirement will be met.

Nassau County anticipates that funding will be available from federal, state and private sources during the period covered by the Action Plan. In awarding funds under the CDBG, HOME, and ESG Programs, the County considers leveraging of other sources of funds. Particularly because funding allocations under the three Consolidated Programs fluctuated over the last several years so there is a greater need to identify leveraged funds in order to make projects financially feasible.

Project-based Housing Choice Vouchers can also be used to assist developers of rental housing. These redevelopments often leverage other sources of financing such as tax exempt bonds, Federal and State Low Income Housing Tax Credits, HOME funds or other sources to encourage further development.

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

Nassau County Department of Health had identified a building to be used to shelter those homeless residents who have been stricken with COVID-19 in order to isolate them and prevent the spread of the virus.

Nassau County has identified parcels of County-owned land that may be used to address the needs identified in the Consolidated Plan and Annual Action Plan. Additionally, the County is working with LIHP to rehabilitate single-family houses transferred to LIHP by New York State under the New York Rising Program to address the affordable housing needs in Nassau County.

**Discussion**



## 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	Owner Occupied Housing Rehab & LeadPaint Abatement	2015	2019	Affordable Housing	Nassau County Consortium	Assist Cost Burdened Households Rehabilitation of Substandard Housing	CDBG: \$2,783,100 HOME: \$250,000	Homeowner Housing Rehabilitated: 30 Household Housing Unit
2	Expansion of Housing through New Construction	2015	2019	Affordable Housing	Freeport Village Hempstead Town Island Park Village	Affordable Housing	HOME: \$700,000	Rental units constructed: 10 Household Housing Unit Homeowner Housing Added: 2 Household Housing Unit
3	Rental Assistance for Low Income Households	2015	2019	Affordable Housing	Nassau County Consortium	Affordable Housing Assist Cost Burdened Households	ESG: \$250,000	Tenant-based rental assistance / Rapid Rehousing: 2568 Households Assisted

Sort Order	Goal Name	Start Year	End Year	Category	Geographic Area	Needs Addressed	Funding	Goal Outcome Indicator
4	Expansion of Rental Housing	2015	2019	Affordable Housing	Freeport Village Oyster Bay Town	Rehabilitation of Public Housing Complexes Rehabilitation of Substandard Housing	CDBG: \$80,000	Rental units rehabilitated: 501 Household Housing Unit
5	Direct Homeownership Assistance	2015	2019	Affordable Housing	Nassau County Consortium	Affordable Housing Assist Cost Burdened Households	CDBG: \$104,000 HOME: \$500,000	Direct Financial Assistance to Homebuyers: 5 Households Assisted
6	Substantial Rehabilitation for Homeownership	2015	2019	Affordable Housing	Elmont Urban Renewal Area Nassau County Consortium Freeport Village Hempstead Town North Hempstead Town	Affordable Housing Assist Cost Burdened Households	HOME: \$200,000	Homeowner Housing Rehabilitated: 3 Household Housing Unit
7	Housing Support Services Low/Mod Income households	2015	2019	Affordable Housing	Nassau County Consortium	Affordable Housing Assist Cost Burdened Households Public Services	CDBG: \$160,000	Public service activities for Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 500 Households Assisted

Sort Order	Goal Name	Start Year	End Year	Category	Geographic Area	Needs Addressed	Funding	Goal Outcome Indicator
8	Housing Support Services Homeless Persons	2015	2019	Homeless	Nassau County Consortium	Address Homeless Needs	ESG: \$638,550 ESG-CV: \$2,000,000	Homeless Person Overnight Shelter: 900 Persons Assisted
9	Homeless Prevention	2015	2019	Homeless	Nassau County Consortium	Address Homeless Needs	ESG: \$225,436 ESG-CV: \$1,475,000	Homelessness Prevention: 1692 Persons Assisted
10	Provision of Public Services	2015	2019	Non-Homeless Special Needs	Nassau County Consortium	Public Services	CDBG: \$1,630,700 CDBG-CV: \$3,045,089	Public service activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 30000 Persons Assisted
11	Public Facility and Improvements Projects	2015	2017	Non-Housing Community Development	Nassau County Consortium	Community Development Needs	CDBG: \$2,991,560 CDBG-CV: \$2,500,000	Public Facility or Infrastructure Activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 300000 Persons Assisted
12	Housing and Support for Special Needs Population	2015	2019	Non-Homeless Special Needs	Nassau County Consortium	Address Special Needs	CDBG: \$20,000	Public service activities for Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 2 Households Assisted
13	Elimination of Blight through Demolition	2015	2019	Affordable Housing Non-Housing Community Development	New Cassel Urban Renewal Area Hempstead Town Hempstead Village	Affordable Housing Community Development Needs	CDBG: \$100,000	Buildings Demolished: 2 Buildings

Sort Order	Goal Name	Start Year	End Year	Category	Geographic Area	Needs Addressed	Funding	Goal Outcome Indicator
14	Upgrade the Physical Condition of Local Businesses	2015	2019	Non-Housing Community Development	New Cassel Urban Renewal Area Farmingdale Village Freeport Village Glen Cove City Hempstead Town Hempstead Village Mineola Village	Community Development Needs Economic Development	CDBG: \$511,500	Facade treatment/business building rehabilitation: 8 Business
16	Administration and Planning	2015	2016	Affordable Housing Public Housing Homeless Non-Homeless Special Needs Non-Housing Community Development	Administration Nassau County Consortium	Administration, Regulatory Compliance and Planning	CDBG: \$2,805,457 HOME: \$228,037 ESG: \$90,477 CDBG-CV: \$900,000 ESG-CV: \$425,015	Other: 1 Other
17	Section 108 Loan Repayment	2015	2016	Non-Housing Community Development	Hempstead Village	Community Development Needs Economic Development	CDBG: \$48,000	Other: 1 Other

Sort Order	Goal Name	Start Year	End Year	Category	Geographic Area	Needs Addressed	Funding	Goal Outcome Indicator
19	Code Enforcement	2015	2019	Health and Safety	New Cassel Urban Renewal Area Hempstead Village	Administration, Regulatory Compliance and Planning	CDBG: \$27,000	Housing Code Enforcement/Foreclosed Property Care: 100 Household Housing Unit
20	Economic Development	2015	2019	Non-Housing Community Development	Nassau County Consortium	Economic Development	CDBG-CV: \$2,000,000	Businesses assisted: 50 Businesses Assisted

Table 6 -- Goals Summary

### Goal Descriptions

1	<b>Goal Name</b>	Owner Occupied Housing Rehab & Lead Paint Abatement
	<b>Goal Description</b>	Maintain the stock of affordable housing by providing loans and/or grants to low and moderate income homeowners to eliminate code violations and make other needed improvements to their homes. Rehabilitation of affordable rental housing to lease to low/mod income renters.
2	<b>Goal Name</b>	Expansion of Housing through New Construction
	<b>Goal Description</b>	Nassau County, through the HOME Investment Partnerships Program had allocated funding to Long Island Housing Partnership to demolish and redevelop homes that have been transferred to them via the NYS Rising Program. New homes will be built and sold to income-eligible homebuyers. Construction will be completed during the program year using prior year's HOME funding in the amount of \$700,000. Moxey-Rigby new construction of 101 rental housing units will be completed (10 of which are assisted with HOME dollars). Funds were awarded in the amount of \$500,000 in previous year, but will be completed during FY2019.

3	<p><b>Goal Name</b> Rental Assistance for Low Income Households</p> <p><b>Goal Description</b> The goal of the Housing Choice Voucher Program (a/k/a Section 8) is to increase affordable rental housing choices for eligible very low and low -income families, senior citizens and disabled households through a rental subsidy to rent decent, safe and sanitary housing from the private rental housing market. The Housing Choice Voucher Program is a rental subsidy program where the tenant pays up to 30% of his/her income toward the rent and the balance is a grant paid directly to the landlord. The assisted tenants rent units in private homes and apartments throughout Nassau County. Eligible applicants must be able to meet the low income AMI. The purpose of the program is to prevent homelessness by providing a housing subsidy. Senior citizens and the disabled on fixed incomes and working families with small children constitute the majority of grant recipients. This program is not funded with CDBG or HOME sources. The Emergency Solutions Grants Program funds homeless prevention and rapid-re-housing for very low income households.</p>
4	<p><b>Goal Name</b> Expansion of Rental Housing</p> <p><b>Goal Description</b> Rehabilitation of Public Housing complexes within the Town of Oyster Bay. In additional United Veterans Beacon House was awarded HOME funds to rehabilitation a home in the Village of Freeport to rent to a low/mod income veteran household.</p>
5	<p><b>Goal Name</b> Direct Homeownership Assistance</p> <p><b>Goal Description</b> Through collaboration between Nassau County Office of Community Development (NC OCD) and the Long Island Housing Partnership (LIHP), the First-Time Home Buyer Down Payment Assistance Program and the Employer Assisted Housing Program (EAHP) will be carried out during the program year. The First-Time Home Buyer Down Payment Assistance Program provides up to \$25,000 in down payment assistance to eligible households to purchase a home. The mission is to provide affordable housing opportunities to low/moderate income first-time homebuyers. The LIHP has leveraged HOME funds with New York State funds and private funding from participating employers for the County Employer Assisted Housing Program. The Employer Assisted Housing Program includes over 120 participating employers on Long Island and provides \$12,000 in down payment assistance to eligible employees. The Town of North Hempstead plans to provide homeownership assistance to homeowners once new construction project are completed in the hamlet of New Cassel. The Village of Hempstead has also allocated FY2019 dollars for this purpose.</p>

6	<p><b>Goal Name</b> Substantial Rehabilitation for Homeownership</p> <p><b>Goal Description</b> Substantial rehabilitation for the expansion of rental and home ownership opportunities for very low and other low-income senior citizens and families. North Hempstead continues to seek out blighted parcels in the New Cassel area in order to rehabilitate and sell to low income homebuyers. They are also seeking blighted homes in high opportunity areas for the same purpose. The Nassau County Land Bank and the Uniondale Community Land Trust (UCLT) was allocated \$200,000 for this purpose) both have purchased properties to rehabilitate and sell to low income homebuyers. This will be a continued effort. In addition, North Hempstead will be acquiring and rehabilitating a home in Garden City Park for the purpose of homeownership.</p>
7	<p><b>Goal Name</b> Housing Support Services Low/Mod Income households</p> <p><b>Goal Description</b> Long Island Housing Services (LIHS) provides a wide range of fair housing services to County residents including mortgage counseling, landlord tenant mediation, discrimination testing, and similar activities. LIHS continues to affirmatively reach out to potential victims of discrimination in mortgage lending, redlining, appraisal and homeowner's insurance. In addition, Hispanic Brotherhood, Inc. is a HUD certified Housing Counseling Agency funded with CDBG funds. They provide counseling and foreclosure Intervention Services, training regarding tenant rights; owner-occupied housing assistance; financial education workshops; information/referrals to other agencies; accompaniment to Housing Court; direct assistance with the Section 8 Housing Program; and advocacy on behalf of clients when necessary at our facility</p>
8	<p><b>Goal Name</b> Housing Support Services Homeless Persons</p> <p><b>Goal Description</b> Individuals experiencing homelessness are at a greater risk of exposure to a variety of infection diseases including coronavirus. ESG-CV funding will be utilized for emergency shelter operations including sanitizing the shelter environment by purchasing and using supplies and equipment to do so as well as expanding staff to support infectious disease preparedness. Retrofitting of shelter facilities to comply with COVID-19 concerns will also be undertaken such as cots, room dividers, washers and dryers, and portable handwashing stations. Additional services for the residents will also be undertaken such as transportation and case management for those who are in need of medical care.</p>

<p><b>9</b></p>	<p><b>Goal Name</b> Homeless Prevention</p> <p><b>Goal Description</b> ESG-CV funding will be utilized to provide housing relocation and stabilization services and short and/or medium-term rental assistance necessary to prevent an individual or family from moving into an emergency shelter of other unstable housing. Program may assist with rent and utility arrears for clients. ESG through its Emergency Shelter, Homeless Prevention, and Rapid Re-Housing components expects to serve 375 families, and 1,317 singles. Nassau County Office of Community Development (OCD) continues to work closely with NY-603, the regional Continuum of Care to which Nassau County belongs. Over the course of this past year OCD finalized an assessment tool based on New York City's Home Base assessment tool designed by Shinn and Greer. This assessment tool has been approved by the CoC for use with our Homeless Prevention program and will allow this office to serve as the Coordinated Entry for Nassau County Homeless Prevention as we head into the 45th YR.</p>
<p><b>10</b></p>	<p><b>Goal Name</b> Provision of Public Services</p> <p><b>Goal Description</b> CDBG-CV funds will be primarily used to assist public services that are geared towards responding to the COVID-19 crisis, such as food banks, health services, mental health and substance abuse services, employment training, childcare services, and tenant/landlord counseling. The Consortium continues to address the needs of extremely low, low and moderate-income persons throughout Nassau County by providing funding for programs and services. Approximately 12% of our annual CDBG allocation is granted to non-profit organizations providing public services for persons with special needs such as senior citizens, the physically challenged, at-risk youth, families, and the homeless. Public service funding will also be provided to assist with employment training, food pantries/soup kitchens, substance abuse prevention, mental health counseling, crime awareness, fair housing counseling testing and enforcement, English as a Second Language (ESL) training, veteran's organizations, economic development, and other public health programs.</p>



11	<b>Goal Name</b>	Public Facility and Improvements Projects
	<b>Goal Description</b>	CDBG-CV will be used to upgrade facilities in response to the COVID-19 health crisis. Program Year 2019 anticipates using CDBG dollars to fund various public facility and improvement projects throughout the consortium. Projects include handicapped accessibility improvements to public buildings, street and sidewalk replacement, flood and drainage upgrades, parks and playground upgrades including handicapped accessible equipment, parking lot replacements, and community center and child care center improvements. All projects will be undertaken with the goal of improving community assets in low to moderate income neighborhoods and making public buildings accessible to senior citizens and disabled residents.
12	<b>Goal Name</b>	Housing and Support for Special Needs Population
	<b>Goal Description</b>	Finding and/or developing housing for Nassau County's special needs population continues to be a priority for the County. The County has worked with non-profit special needs housing providers to acquire and rehabilitate homes to be used as group homes and regularly provides grants toward housing related expenses.
13	<b>Goal Name</b>	Elimination of Blight through Demolition
	<b>Goal Description</b>	The County Consortium will continue to provide CDBG funds for urban renewal planning, real property acquisition, relocation, demolition activities, and brownfield remediation to assist in the redevelopment of blighted areas.
14	<b>Goal Name</b>	Upgrade the Physical Condition of Local Businesses
	<b>Goal Description</b>	Central business districts and neighborhood commercial areas need to be enhanced through multi-faceted programs that address both the physical and economic problems in each area. The County will continue allocating its CDBG funding for commercial rehabilitation and economic development in order to assist businesses in succeeding in drawing in residents to eat and shop locally. The Village of Farmingdale continues to invest in their downtown with a robust commercial rehabilitation program. The City of Glen Cove has experienced great success with their sign and awning program. The Village of Mineola has allocated most of their funding to upgrading deteriorating storefronts and to invest in a cohesive look in the downtown areas. Both the Village of Freeport and the Town of Hempstead have re-visited funding commercial rehabilitation.

<b>16</b>	<b>Goal Name</b>	Administration and Planning
	<b>Goal Description</b>	General program management, oversight and monitoring of the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), Community Development Block Grant Coronavirus (CDBG-CV), HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME) Program, and Emergency Solutions Grants (ESG), and Emergency Solutions Grants Coronavirus (ESG-CV) Programs as well as Planning. CDBG-CV and ESG-CV funds to be used to prevent, prepare for and respond to coronavirus.
<b>17</b>	<b>Goal Name</b>	Section 108 Loan Repayment
	<b>Goal Description</b>	Repayment of Section 108 Loan principal and interest.
<b>19</b>	<b>Goal Name</b>	Code Enforcement
	<b>Goal Description</b>	Code enforcement activities in neighborhoods with overcrowding and code violations for safety.
<b>20</b>	<b>Goal Name</b>	Economic Development
	<b>Goal Description</b>	For the purpose of this Substantial Amendment, economic development projects will take the form of grant, loans, technical assistance to those Nassau County businesses affected by COVID-19. The purpose is to provide capital money to small businesses to create and/or retain jobs countering the staggering unemployment numbers and businesses closing for the long term.

# Projects

## AP-35 Projects – 91.220(d)

### Introduction

**Community Development Block Grant Coronavirus (CDGB-CV) Program.** The CDBG-CV Program is a Federal entitlement program with the objective of addressing the COVID-19 pandemic by assisting low- and moderate-income persons, eliminating slums and blight and/or addressing urgent community development needs. In FFY 2019, \$8,525,089 in CDBG-CV funds will be provided to Nassau County and allocated to participating municipalities and other eligible entities for the sole purpose of preventing, preparing for and responding to coronavirus. An estimated 70-80% of these funds will be used to benefit extremely low, low and moderate-income persons. CDBG-CV funds can be used for a wide range of activities related to housing, economic development, commercial revitalization, public services, infrastructure, and public facilities. The public service cap of 15% has been waived by HUD.

**Emergency Solutions Grants Coronavirus (ESG-CV) Program.** The ESG-CV Program is a Federal entitlement program with the objective of addressing the COVID-19 pandemic by providing funding to improve the quality of existing emergency shelters and to restrict the increase of homelessness through the funding of homeless prevention. In FFY 2019, Nassau County is expected to receive \$ \$4,250,155 in ESG-CV funds, which will be allocated to non-profit homeless providers in the County as well as the County's Homeless Prevention program. The purpose of the funding is to prevent, prepare for and respond to the coronavirus. The ESG-CV Program does not require a match of non-Federal funds to ESG funds.

**Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG).** The CDBG Program is a Federal entitlement program with the objective of assisting low and moderate income persons, eliminating slums and blight and/or addressing urgent community development needs. In FFY 2019, \$14,027,286 in CDBG funds with the addition of approximately \$40,000 in program income will be provided to Nassau County and allocated to participating municipalities and other eligible entities. An estimated 80% of these funds will be used to benefit extremely low, low and moderate-income persons. CDBG funds, and program income, can be used for a wide range of activities related to housing, economic development, commercial revitalization, public services, infrastructure, and public facilities.

**HOME Investment Partnerships Program.** The HOME Program is a Federal housing initiative with the primary objectives of expanding the supply of owner and rental housing for low income households. Nassau County anticipates receiving \$2,280,375 in HOME funds in Federal fiscal year 2019. In addition, approximately \$50,000 in HOME program income is expected to be received. Funding is targeted to projects which will provide rental, homeownership and transitional housing for extremely low, low and moderate income households through new construction, acquisition, and substantial rehabilitation

activities.

**Emergency Solutions Grants Program (ESG).** The ESG Program is a Federal entitlement program which provides funding to improve the quality of existing emergency shelters and to restrict the increase of homelessness through the funding of homeless prevention and rapid re-housing programs. In FFY 2019, Nassau County is expected to receive \$1,206,363 in ESG funds, which will be allocated to non-profit homeless providers in the County as well as the County’s Homeless Prevention and Rapid Re-housing program. The ESG Program requires a 100% match of non-Federal funds to ESG funds. The match can be provided through State and local funds, contributions, and value of real property. ESG funds will be used for essential services/social services, rapid-re-housing, and homelessness prevention.

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### Project Summary Information

1	<b>Project Name</b>	Residential Rehabilitation
	<b>Target Area</b>	Nassau County Consortium
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Owner Occupied Housing Rehab & Lead Paint Abatement Expansion of Rental Housing
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Rehabilitation of Substandard Housing Assist Cost Burdened Households Address Special Needs
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG: \$2,783,100
	<b>Description</b>	Maintain the stock of affordable housing by providing loans and/or grants to low and moderate income homeowners to eliminate code violations and make other needed improvements to their homes.
	<b>Target Date</b>	8/31/2020
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	Approximately 30 households will benefit from this activity. 30 households will receive owner occupied rehabilitation primarily through weatherization improvements and handicapped accessibility improvements.
	<b>Location Description</b>	Owner-occupied rehabilitation will take place consortium wide.
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	The residential rehabilitation program will be marketed to low to moderate income households in Nassau County. Nassau County administers the residential rehabilitation program for the small Villages, the City of Glen Cove and the City of Long Beach. The Town of Hempstead, North Hempstead and Oyster Bay carry out their own program but follow all HUD regulations.
	<b>Project Name</b>	Commercial Rehabilitation

2	<b>Target Area</b>	Elmont Urban Renewal Area New Cassel Urban Renewal Area Farmingdale Village Freeport Village Glen Cove City Hempstead Town Hempstead Village Mineola Village
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Upgrade the Physical Condition of Local Businesses
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Community Development Needs
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG: \$511,500
	<b>Description</b>	Upgrade the physical condition of local business areas to eliminate and prevent blight, create and retain jobs.
	<b>Target Date</b>	8/31/2020
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	Approximately 15 businesses will benefit from the commercial rehabilitation program.
	<b>Location Description</b>	The Town of Hempstead, City of Glen Cove and the Villages of Farmingdale, Hempstead and Mineola have allocated funding for commercial rehabilitation projects. Proposed locations are as follows:  Farmingdale - Conklin Street and Main Street  Freeport – Village—wide  Hempstead Town – Baldwin and Elmont  Glen Cove - Downtown Business District  Mineola Village - Station Plaza, Mineola Blvd., and Jericho Turnpike  North Hempstead Town – Prospect Avenue
<b>Planned Activities</b>	Consortium members wish to provide grants and/or loans to commercial business in eligible areas to create a harmonious environment to create economic opportunities. Funds will be used for signs, lighting, canopies, and other needed facade improvements.	
	<b>Project Name</b>	Acquisition

3	<b>Target Area</b>	New Cassel Urban Renewal Area Glen Cove City Hempstead Village North Hempstead Town
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Expansion of Housing through New Construction Substantial Rehabilitation for Homeownership
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Rehabilitation of Substandard Housing Assist Cost Burdened Households Affordable Housing
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG: \$1,192,845
	<b>Description</b>	Acquisition of Real Property and Acquisition Spot Blight for a public benefit purpose, including affordable housing, open space, parking facilities, etc. and to purchase and remove blighted structures.
	<b>Target Date</b>	8/31/2020
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	Approximately 1-2 families may benefit from the proposed activities during the program year.
	<b>Location Description</b>	Proposed locations are as follows:  Glen Cove City - Orchard Brownfield Opportunity Area  Hempstead Village - Village-wide for the purpose of slum and blight removal  North Hempstead – Garden City Park (HOA), New Cassel/Westbury - 184 Catherine St., 212 Sheridan St., 243 Sheridan St., 1 Floral Ln., 179 Grant St.
<b>Planned Activities</b>	The planned activities are to purchase blighted and abandoned structures for the purpose of building affordable housing. Priority will be placed on seeking out and purchasing properties in High Opportunity Areas (HOA's) within Nassau County.	
4	<b>Project Name</b>	Public Facilities and Improvements
	<b>Target Area</b>	Nassau County Consortium
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Public Facility and Improvements Projects
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Community Development Needs
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG: \$3,221,560

	<b>Description</b>	Provision of new and improved public facilities and infrastructure improvements to improve the environment for very low, low and moderate income households in identified target areas.
	<b>Target Date</b>	8/31/2020
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	Approximately 300,000 people with benefit from public facility and improvement projects during the program year.
	<b>Location Description</b>	Projects will take place in the Villages of East Rockaway – Village Hall, Farmingdale – Village Hall, Freeport - Drainage improvements to N. Ocean Avenue, Glen Cove City – Pedestrian Improvements, Parking Garage Improvements, Way-Finding Signage, and Boys & Girls Club, Great Neck Plaza – Street Lighting Improvements, Hempstead Village – Sewer Improvements, Lynbrook - Sunrise Highway Walkway and Scranton Avenue, Roger Avenue, Freer St, Mineola – Village Hall, Rockville Centre -College Pl. between Clinton and North Park Avenues, and the Town of Hempstead – Baldwin, Elmont, Franklin Square, Roosevelt, and Uniondale, and North Hempstead - New Cassel Area.
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	Projects include handicapped accessibility improvements, street improvements, park and playground improvements, sidewalk enhancements, neighborhood facility improvements, day care center improvements, lighting and parking improvements. CDBG-CV funds may be to prevent, prepare for and respond to coronavirus by construction and rehabilitation of public facilities in low/mod income areas that will result in long term health and welfare benefit to communities impacted by COVID-19.
5	<b>Project Name</b>	Clearance & Demolition
	<b>Target Area</b>	New Cassel Urban Renewal Area Hempstead Town
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Elimination of Blight through Demolition
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Community Development Needs
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG: \$100,000
	<b>Description</b>	Clearance or demolition of buildings and improvements, or the movement of structures to other sites.



	<b>Target Date</b>	8/31/2020
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	Approximately two households will benefit from the proposed activity. One household in New Cassel and one household in Hempstead Town - Roosevelt
	<b>Location Description</b>	Potential properties in New Cassel include 240 Sheridan, 243 Sheridan, 92 Maplewood, 32 Third Avenue, 182 and 184 Catherine St., 1 Floral Lane, 34 Bramble Ave., 179 Grant Street Westbury, NY. The Town of Hempstead is looking to demolish 1 home in Roosevelt at 314 Clinton Avenue for affordable housing.
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	Demolish abandoned structures for the purpose of affordable housing and elimination of blight.
6	<b>Project Name</b>	Public Housing Rehabilitation
	<b>Target Area</b>	Oyster Bay Town
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Expansion of Rental Housing
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Rehabilitation of Substandard Housing Rehabilitation of Public Housing Complexes
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG: \$80,000
	<b>Description</b>	Rehabilitation of Public Housing Complexes in Oyster Bay, including roofing, interior and exterior lighting, interior and exterior doors, parking lot repairs, security cameras and generators.
	<b>Target Date</b>	8/31/2020
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	Approximately 500 households will benefit from the proposed activities.
	<b>Location Description</b>	The Town of Oyster Bay Public Housing Complexes - 355 Newbridge Road Hicksville NY, 40 Eastwoods Rd Syosset, 80 Barnum Ave Plainview, Oakley Ave Massapequa, 115 Central Park Road, Plainview.

	<b>Planned Activities</b>	The Town of Oyster Bay Housing Authority maintains 910 units of low income housing for seniors and families at locations throughout the Town of Oyster Bay. The Authority is seeking funding to offset a shortfall in funding for major repairs and improvements in many of their complexes. The complexes are in need of the following: Roof Replacement, Exterior Door Replacement Interior and Exterior Lighting Security Cameras Generators, Parking Lot Repairs. Some specific upgrades are cameras for Bethpage and Plainedge, generators for Oakley Avenue, Massapequa.
7	<b>Project Name</b>	Public Services
	<b>Target Area</b>	Nassau County Consortium
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Provision of Public Services
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Assist Cost Burdened Households Address Homeless Needs Address Special Needs Public Services
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG: \$1,630,700
	<b>Description</b>	Provide programs and services to address the needs of youth of extremely low, low and moderate income persons.
	<b>Target Date</b>	8/31/2020
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	Approximately 30,000 people will benefit from the proposed activities. All types of families will benefit from these activities.
	<b>Location Description</b>	Public Service activities will take place consortium-wide.
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	Various programs that address the needs of youth, elderly, homeless, mentally disabled, domestic abuse victims, and fair housing.
8	<b>Project Name</b>	Emergency Shelter and Homeless Prevention and Rapid Re-housing
	<b>Target Area</b>	Nassau County Consortium
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Housing Support Services Homeless Persons Homeless Prevention
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Assist Cost Burdened Households Address Homeless Needs

<b>Funding</b>	ESG: \$1,206,363
<b>Description</b>	For Federal Fiscal Year 2019, Nassau County is allocated \$1,206,363 in ESG funds. All applications have been screened by NC OCD staff for completeness and compliance with applicable regulations. Additionally, the County utilizes the following criteria in selecting projects for funding: Experience of the applicant in engaging in street outreach to unsheltered homeless individuals and families and connecting them with emergency shelter, housing, or critical services, and providing them with urgent non-facility based care; Experience of the applicant with housing relocation and stabilization services; Experience of the applicant in developing and/or operating homeless housing; Experience of the applicant in working with the federal Emergency Solutions Grants Program, including, but not limited to compliance with reporting and expenditure requirements; Administrative capabilities and financial capacity in undertaking proposed projects; Proposals that implement recommendations identified in Nassau 10 Year Plan to End Chronic Homelessness.; Proposals that invest in the prevention of homelessness including preventing housed families and individuals from becoming homeless; preventing individuals from becoming homeless upon discharge from institutions; and preventing veterans from becoming homeless upon discharge; Proposals that meet the needs of homeless subpopulations as defined by HUD including the chronically homeless, veterans, persons with chronic disabilities (physically disabled, severely mentally ill, chronic substance abusers, and HIV/AIDS), victims of domestic violence, youth, and elderly; Projects that leverage other resources; The availability of matching resources.
<b>Target Date</b>	8/31/2020
<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	Approximately 375 families and 1,367 singles will benefit from the Homeless Prevention Rapid Re-Housing program with approximately 900-1000 families and singles being housed in overnight shelters.
<b>Location Description</b>	County-wide
<b>Planned Activities</b>	Assistance to qualified Nassau County Emergency Shelters to undertake operations and essential services. Additionally, Nassau County will be carrying out the homeless prevention rapid rehousing portion of the grant with the assistance of the Interfaith Nutrition Network.

9	<b>Project Name</b>	Code Enforcement
	<b>Target Area</b>	New Cassel Urban Renewal Area Hempstead Village
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Code Enforcement
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Community Development Needs
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG: \$27,000
	<b>Description</b>	Expansion of housing opportunities through code enforcement. Cost associated with property inspection and follow-up action such as legal proceedings.
	<b>Target Date</b>	8/31/2020
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	Approximately 100 families will benefit from the proposed activities.
	<b>Location Description</b>	Hempstead Village and North Hempstead Town
<b>Planned Activities</b>	Targeted code enforcement activities in neighborhoods experiencing overcrowding, and health and safety violations.	
10	<b>Project Name</b>	Direct Homeownership Assistance
	<b>Target Area</b>	Nassau County Consortium Hempstead Village North Hempstead Town
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Direct Homeownership Assistance
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Assist Cost Burdened Households
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG: \$104,000 HOME: \$500,000
	<b>Description</b>	Provision of first-time homebuyer downpayment and closing cost assistance.
	<b>Target Date</b>	8/31/2020
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	Approximately 16 households will be assisted via direct homeowner assistance. All types of low/mod income households will be assisted.

	<b>Location Description</b>	Town of North Hempstead - New Cassel Urban Renewal Area. Hempstead Village Other locations for first time homebuyer assistance carried out by LIHP will be County-Wide
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	Approximately 16 households will be assisted via direct homeowner assistance. Through collaboration between Nassau County Office of Community Development (NC OCD) and the Long Island Housing Partnership (LIHP), the First-Time Home Buyer Down Payment Assistance Program and the Employer Assisted Housing Program (EAHP) were carried out during the program year. The First-Time Home Buyer Down Payment Assistance Program provides up to \$25,000 in down payment assistance to eligible households to purchase a home. The mission is to provide affordable housing opportunities to low/moderate income first-time homebuyers. The LIHP has leveraged HOME funds with New York State funds and private funding from participating employers for the County Employer Assisted Housing Program. The Employer Assisted Housing Program includes over 120 participating employers on Long Island and provides \$12,000 in down payment assistance to eligible employees. The Town of North Hempstead plans to provide homeownership assistance to homeowners once new construction project is completed in the hamlet of New Cassel as well as the Village of Hempstead.
<b>11</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	Disposition
	<b>Target Area</b>	Glen Cove City Hempstead Town Hempstead Village North Hempstead Town
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Expansion of Housing through New Construction Expansion of Rental Housing
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Affordable Housing
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG: \$196,500
	<b>Description</b>	Disposition of properties owned by the Hempstead, North Hempstead and Glen Cove Community Development Agencies as well as the Town of Hempstead
	<b>Target Date</b>	8/31/2020

	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	Approximately three (3) households will benefit from disposition activities.
	<b>Location Description</b>	North Hempstead New Cassel Area - Sheridan Street Town of Hempstead - Roosevelt - 301-303 Nassau Road, 509 Nassau Rd., 530 Nassau Rd, 19-23 Debevoise Ave. Village of Hempstead - 1 Remsen Ave, 34-36 Union Ave, 172-174 South Franklin Street, 21 Linden Ave. City of Glen Cove - Brownfield Opportunity Area (BOA)
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	Disposition of properties owned by the Town of North Hempstead, Hempstead Village and City of Glen Cove Community Development Agencies for the purpose of affordable housing and other public benefits.
12	<b>Project Name</b>	Section 108 Loan Repayment
	<b>Target Area</b>	Hempstead Village
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Section 108 Loan Repayment
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Economic Development
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG: \$48,000
	<b>Description</b>	Set aside of funds for possible Section 108 Loan Repayment
	<b>Target Date</b>	8/31/2020
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	Village-wide
	<b>Location Description</b>	Hempstead Village - Breslin Properties on Hempstead Tpke. Home Depot/Stop and Shop Center
<b>Planned Activities</b>	Re-payment of one Section 108 Loan.	
	<b>Project Name</b>	Administration and Planning

13	<b>Target Area</b>	Nassau County Consortium Freeport Village Glen Cove City Hempstead Town Hempstead Village Long Beach City North Hempstead Town Oyster Bay Town Rockville Centre Village
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Administration and Planning
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Administration, Regulatory Compliance and Planning
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG: \$2,805,457 HOME: \$228,038 ESG: \$90,477
	<b>Description</b>	General management, oversight, coordination, monitoring, evaluation, costs and carrying charges related to planning & execution of community development activities.
	<b>Target Date</b>	8/31/2020
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	N/A
	<b>Location Description</b>	Nassau County, Freeport Village, Glen Cove City, Hempstead Town, Hempstead Village, Long Beach City, North Hempstead Town, Oyster Bay Town, Rockville Centre Village
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	General management, oversight, coordination, monitoring & evaluation costs & carrying charges related to planning & execution of community development activities.
14	<b>Project Name</b>	New Construction for Affordable Housing
	<b>Target Area</b>	Nassau County Consortium
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Expansion of Housing through New Construction
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Affordable Housing
	<b>Funding</b>	HOME: \$700,000

	<b>Description</b>	New construction of affordable housing units. Long Island Housing Partnership will be completing the construction of 7 new homes in Baldwin, Island Park, and Massapequa. Moxey Rigbey project in Freeport will yield 101 units, 10 of which are assisted with HOME dollars. These projects were funded with HOME funds from prior years but will be completed during PY 2019.
	<b>Target Date</b>	8/31/2020
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	17 Households will benefit from this activity. Additionally, other applications for funding for projects have been accepted and are under consideration.
	<b>Location Description</b>	1116 Jefferson Place, Baldwin, 1120 Jefferson Place, Baldwin, 59 Hastings Road, Island Park, 159 Radcliff Road, Island Park, 35 Nassau Lane, Island Park, 3 Seneca Place, Massapequa, 41 Ripplewater Avenue, Massapequa. New construction of affordable housing units. Long Island Housing Partnership will be completing the construction of 7 new homes in Baldwin, Island Park, and Massapequa. Moxey Rigbey project in Freeport will yield 101 units, 10 of which are assisted with HOME dollars. These projects were funded with HOME funds from prior years but will be completed during PY 2019.
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	Using HOME funds to construct new affordable housing units.
15	<b>Project Name</b>	Substantial Rehabilitation for Rental and Homeownership
	<b>Target Area</b>	Elmont Urban Renewal Area Freeport Village Hempstead Town
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Expansion of Rental Housing Substantial Rehabilitation for Homeownership
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Rehabilitation of Substandard Housing Assist Cost Burdened Households Affordable Housing
	<b>Funding</b>	HOME: \$360,000



	<b>Description</b>	Substantial rehabilitation for the expansion of rental and homeownership opportunities for very low and other low income senior citizens and families. United Veterans Beacon House will be substantially rehabilitating a home in Freeport to rent to a low income veteran household. Uniondale Community Land Trust will be rehabilitating a home for homeownership purposes in the hamlet of Uniondale, and the Nassau County Bank has purchased a property in Elmont to sell to a low/mod income household. The Town of North Hempstead was allocated \$500,000 in High Opportunity Area (HOA) funding to purchase a home in Garden City Park in order to rehabilitation and sell to an income eligible homebuyer.
	<b>Target Date</b>	8/31/2020
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	4 households will benefit from this activity.
	<b>Location Description</b>	Elmont, Freeport, Garden City Park, and Uniondale
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	Substantially rehabilitate one home for the purpose of rental and homeownership.
<b>16</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	Housing and Support Services for Low/Mod Income Households
	<b>Target Area</b>	Nassau County Consortium Glen Cove City
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Housing Support Services Low/Mod Income households
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Assist Cost Burdened Households
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG: \$160,000
	<b>Description</b>	To provide housing counseling, fair housing education, advocacy, foreclosure prevention to low/mod income households.
	<b>Target Date</b>	8/31/2020
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	Approximately 500 low/mod income families will benefit from housing counseling, fair housing education, and foreclosure prevention.

	<b>Location Description</b>	Activities will take place County-Wide by Long Island Housing Services and Hispanic Brotherhood, Inc. will undertake this activity at their location in Glen Cove.
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	Long Island Housing Services (LIHS) provides a wide range of fair housing services to County residents including mortgage counseling, landlord tenant mediation, discrimination testing, and similar activities. LIHS continues to affirmatively reach out to potential victims of discrimination in mortgage lending, redlining, appraisal and homeowner's insurance. In addition, Hispanic Brotherhood, Inc. is a HUD certified Housing Counseling Agency funded with CDBG funds. They provide counseling and foreclosure Intervention Services, training regarding tenant rights; owner-occupied housing assistance; financial education workshops; information/referrals to other agencies; accompaniment to Housing Court; direct assistance with the Section 8 Housing Program; and advocacy on behalf of clients when necessary at the facility.
17	<b>Project Name</b>	Housing and Support for Special Needs Population
	<b>Target Area</b>	Oyster Bay Town
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Housing and Support for Special Needs Population
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Address Special Needs
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG: \$20,000
	<b>Description</b>	Finding and/or developing housing for Nassau County's special needs population continues to be a priority for the County. The County has worked with non-profit special needs housing providers to acquire and rehabilitate homes to be used as group homes and regularly provides grants toward housing related expenses.
	<b>Target Date</b>	8/31/2020
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	Approximately 2 households will be assisted.
	<b>Location Description</b>	Harvest House is a residential facility for Independent Seniors located at 235 Cold Spring Rd., Syosset, NY 11791 and 33 Flower Ave. Floral Park, NY 11001.

	<b>Planned Activities</b>	Harvest Houses, Residences for Independent Seniors offer a unique response to this growing national trend as the “baby boomers” and “milleniums” approach later life by providing a safe, affordable community based environment for Seniors. Over two hundred independent seniors have benefitted from living in a Harvest House.
18	<b>Project Name</b>	CV - Administration and Planning
	<b>Target Area</b>	
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Administration and Planning
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Administration, Regulatory Compliance and Planning
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG: \$2,805,457 CDBG-CV: \$900,000
	<b>Description</b>	General management, oversight, coordination, monitoring, evaluation, costs and carrying charges related to planning & execution of community development CDBG-CV.
	<b>Target Date</b>	
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	N/A
	<b>Location Description</b>	
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	General management, oversight, coordination, monitoring & evaluation costs & carrying charges related to planning & execution of community development activities in order to prevent, prepare for and respond to the coronavirus.
19	<b>Project Name</b>	CV - Public Services
	<b>Target Area</b>	Nassau County Consortium
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Provision of Public Services
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Address Homeless Needs Address Special Needs Public Services
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG-CV: \$3,045,089
	<b>Description</b>	Provide programs and services to address the needs of youth of extremely low, low- and moderate-income persons. Services must be used in order to prepare for, prevent, and to respond to coronavirus.

	<b>Target Date</b>	12/22/2022
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	Approximately 10,000 people will benefit from the proposed activities. As for the CDBG-CV funds, they will be directed to those activities that respond the COVID-19. These include, but are not limited to food banks, health services, mental health and substance abuse services, employment training, child care services, tenant/landlord counseling and legal services. All types of families will benefit from these activities.
	<b>Location Description</b>	Activities will take place County-Wide.
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	In order to prepare for, prevent and respond to the Coronavirus, Nassau County will be funding public service activities for this purpose. Planned activities include the provision of food banks, health services, mental health and substance abuse services, employment training, child care services, tenant/landlord counseling, and other services that will meet the needs of Nassau County residents due to coronavirus.
20	<b>Project Name</b>	CV- Public Facilities and Improvements
	<b>Target Area</b>	Nassau County Consortium
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Public Facility and Improvements Projects
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Community Development Needs
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG-CV: \$2,500,000
	<b>Description</b>	Provision of new and improved public facilities and infrastructure improvements to improve the environment for very low, low- and moderate-income households in identified target areas. CDBG-CV funds may be used to fund improvements to buildings and infrastructure for the purpose of the health and safety of the public.
	<b>Target Date</b>	
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	Approximately 300,000 people with benefit from public facility and improvement projects during the program year. All types of families and individuals will benefit from these improvements.
	<b>Location Description</b>	The improvements will take place County-Wide focusing on health and safety improvements to public buildings.
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	Planned activities will focus on health and safety improvement to public buildings and infrastructure that will be sustainable.

21	<b>Project Name</b>	CV- Economic Development
	<b>Target Area</b>	Nassau County Consortium
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Economic Development
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Economic Development
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG-CV: \$2,000,000
	<b>Description</b>	Economic Development grants/loans and technical assistance to small businesses for the purpose of creating and/or retaining jobs that were lost due to coronavirus.
	<b>Target Date</b>	
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	Approximately 50 businesses will be assisted with grants/loans and or technical assistance for the purpose of creating and/or retaining jobs for primarily low to moderate income residents.
	<b>Location Description</b>	Activities will take place County-Wide.
<b>Planned Activities</b>	Approximately 50 businesses will be assisted with grants/loans and or technical assistance for the purpose of creating and/or retaining jobs for primarily low to moderate income residents.	
22	<b>Project Name</b>	CV - ESG2020 Nassau County
	<b>Target Area</b>	Administration Nassau County Consortium
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Housing Support Services Homeless Persons Homeless Prevention Provision of Public Services Administration and Planning
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Address Homeless Needs Address Special Needs Public Services
	<b>Funding</b>	ESG-CV: \$4,250,155

<b>Description</b>	Emergency Solutions Grants Coronavirus (ESG-CV) funding will be used to prepare for, prevent, and respond to the coronavirus. Funds can be used in a variety of way including Administration, Emergency Shelter Operations and Services, Homeless Prevention and Street Outreach. Individuals experiencing homelessness are at a greater risk of exposure to a variety of infection diseases including coronavirus. ESG-CV funding will be utilized for emergency shelter operations including sanitizing the shelter environment by purchasing and using supplies and equipment to do so as well as expanding staff to support infectious disease preparedness. Retrofitting of shelter facilities to comply with COVID-19 concerns will also be undertaken such as cots, room dividers, washers and dryers, and portable hand washing stations. Additional services for the residents will also be undertaken such as transportation and case management for those who are in need of medical care. ESG-CV funding will also be utilized for homeless prevention to provide housing relocation and stabilization services and short and/or medium-term rental assistance necessary to prevent an individual or family from moving into an emergency shelter of other unstable housing. Program may assist with rent and utility arrears for clients. Street Outreach, HMIS, and other ESG-CV categories allowed under the regulations will also be tapped into in order to carry out program goals of preparing for, preventing and responding to coronavirus.
<b>Target Date</b>	
<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	At this point the COVID-19 crisis is in full force and the number and type of families that will seek shelter or need assistance due to the virus is not yet known. We can only provide a very raw estimate of approximately 3,000-5,000.
<b>Location Description</b>	Activities will take place County-Wide.
<b>Planned Activities</b>	

## 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

The Nassau Urban County Consortium includes: The Towns of Hempstead, North Hempstead, and Oyster Bay, the Cities of Glen Cove and Long Beach, and the following Incorporated Villages: Bayville, Bellerose, Cedarhurst, East Rockaway, Farmingdale, Floral Park, Freeport, Garden City, Great Neck Plaza, Hempstead, Island Park, Lynbrook, Malverne, Manorhaven, Massapequa Park, Mineola, New Hyde Park, Rockville Centre, Roslyn, Sea Cliff, South Floral Park, Stewart Manor, Valley Stream, Westbury, and Williston Park. Areas that require assistance will be directed appropriately. Various community development activities meeting the national objective of low- and moderate-income benefit on an area-wide basis have been funded in the following communities: Hempstead Town (hamlets of Baldwin, Elmont, Roosevelt and Uniondale), North Hempstead Town (hamlet of New Cassel), Oyster Bay Town (hamlet of Hicksville), the Cities of Glen Cove and Long Beach, and in the Villages of Farmingdale, Freeport, Great Neck Plaza, Hempstead, Lynbrook, Mineola, Valley Stream and Westbury. Activities meeting the national objective of low- and moderate-income benefit on a limited clientele basis or via housing have been funded throughout the consortium.

### Geographic Distribution

Target Area	Percentage of Funds
Administration	20
Nassau County Consortium	80

Table 8 - Geographic Distribution

### Rationale for the priorities for allocating investments geographically

CDBG-CV funds are being allocated via a supplemental application process expressly to prevent, prepare for, and respond to COVID-19. Consortium communities and non-profit providers have assessed the current needs of Nassau County residents and are preparing for the aftermath as best they can. The geographic priorities remain consistent, but the need is greater.

CDBG Program funds are allocated via an application process. Municipal consortium members submit funding applications in response to local concerns to address locally-identified needs. Consortium members prioritize the geographic investment of CDBG dollars based on community input, area or clientele eligibility and need. These priorities were outlined in the Five-Year Consolidated Plan. Nassau County OCD reviews applications for consistency with the Plan and that each project put forth by a consortium member or non-profit agency meets a Nation Objective and provides evidence of ability to complete planned projects in a timely fashion.

HOME funds are awarded to projects through an application process. Factors considered include the

type of development (owner/renter; new construction/rehab/conversion), degree of low/mod income benefit, location, need, leveraging of resources, project location (priority on High Opportunity Areas – HOA’s), and readiness to proceed.

## **Discussion**

Geographic Distribution as follows:

### **Housing rehabilitation assistance for extremely low, low and moderate income households -**

Geographical Location: Residential rehabilitation activities will be undertaken consortium-wide, in areas with older housing stock, multi-family housing and low income concentrations, as well as areas or neighborhoods with scattered or spot housing needs. Some of these communities (e.g., North Hempstead, Oyster Bay, and Hempstead Town) have in-house staff resources to administer the rehabilitation program. Elsewhere, rehabilitation is undertaken by OCD staff.

**Public Housing** – The Town of Oyster Bay will rehabilitate their public housing complexes. and the Moxey Rigbey Public Housing Complex in the Village of Freeport is currently under construction to produce 101 apartments.

### **Expansion of housing opportunities for low and moderate income first time homebuyers -**

Downpayment assistance will be provided countywide.

**Housing support services for extremely low, low and moderate-income households** -Services will be provided on a countywide basis by Long Island Housing Services, Long Island Housing Partnership, and Hispanic Brotherhood, Inc.

**Homeless** - Of particular concern are issues of concentration of homeless housing and permanent housing for homeless persons in certain neighborhoods which already have significant amounts of assisted, supportive or special needs housing. Communities will be supported in considering applications for homeless housing on a case by case basis, where priority can be given to homeless households with that particular community as its community of origin. Activities will be carried out Countywide by Continuum of Care and ESG Subrecipients.

**Provision of housing and support services for others with special needs** - Public services programs for other special needs groups will be provided throughout Nassau County.

**Provision of new and improved public facilities and infrastructure improvements to improve the environment for very low, low and moderate-income households** – Public facility and infrastructure (PF&I) improvements are vital for the safety and well-being of a community. Each consortium member prioritizes the needs of its community and applies for funding based on these needs and input from



residents. Therefore, based on consortium priority, PF&I activities will take place in the Villages of East Rockaway, Farmingdale, Freeport, Great Neck Plaza, Hempstead , Lynbrook, Massapequa Park, Mineola, Rockville Centre, Valley Stream, and Westbury, the Towns of Hempstead (Baldwin, Elmont, Franklin Square, Roosevelt, Uniondale), North Hempstead (New Cassel), and Oyster Bay (Hicksville), and the Cities of Glen Cove and Long Beach.

**Eliminate and prevent blight through rehabilitation, demolition and redevelopment activities, as well as code enforcement.** The elimination and prevention of blight can bring economic development and housing to a community. The Villages of Farmingdale, Freeport, Hempstead, Mineola, the Cities of Glen Cove and Long Beach, and the Towns of Hempstead, North Hempstead (New Cassel Area), and Oyster Bay will undertake activities that eliminate blight.

# Affordable Housing

## AP-55 Affordable Housing – 91.220(g)

### Introduction

The accessibility of good quality, diverse, and affordable options for housing is especially important now as residents of Nassau County are impacted by COVID-19. Many residents' incomes are impacted by the economic downturn caused by COVID-19. This means fewer people will be able to afford large single-family homes, which make up the majority of the County's housing stock. The economic impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic will also severely affect household earning the least, creating increased need for more affordable rental units

In response to COVID-19 this information will likely change. As more people in Nassau County experience job loss, and other impacts of the economic downturn caused by the pandemic, income and unemployment levels will be changing. This will directly impact how many residents can afford fair market rents and housing in the County in general.

Housing affordability is likely to decrease more rapidly than before as more Nassau County residents start to experience housing cost burden due to economic impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic. A search for current rental listings illustrates the difficulty of finding affordable housing in the County. New affordable units are needed to keep up with demand and existing affordable units need to be preserved. Production of new units and preservation of existing units will continue to be significant goals for the County.

In addition to the existing lack of affordable housing and the high demand for affordable units, a new need for affordability will be seen based on the economic impacts of COVID-19. As the economic impacts of COVID-19 continue to affect residents of Nassau County, programs that promote residential rehabilitation will be in higher demand. With the unemployment rate increasing, residents and landlords may struggle to maintain the homes they own. Assisting residents who have been impacted by COVID-19 will be paramount to maintaining existing units and maintaining affordable units.

The one-year goals for housing are still unknown due to COVID-19 and the long-term impacts on the housing market.

The Action Plan specifies goals for the number of homeless, non-homeless, and special needs households to be provided affordable housing within the program year. Affordable housing units are provided throughout the Nassau County Consortium through various County programs including rental assistance, the production of new units, rehabilitation of existing units, and the acquisition of existing units. The County utilizes several funding streams to support its goals for contributing to the provision of affordable housing. The total one-year goals for the number of households to be supported is provided

in the table below.

<b>One Year Goals for the Number of Households to be Supported</b>	
Homeless	1,668
Non-Homeless	2,910
Special-Needs	2
Total	4,580

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

<b>One Year Goals for the Number of Households Supported Through</b>	
Rental Assistance	2,568
The Production of New Units	7
Rehab of Existing Units	4
Acquisition of Existing Units	1
Total	2,580

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

## Discussion

The County allocates CDBG funds for its single-family, owner-occupied residential rehabilitation program. Generally, the focus of the program is on weatherization improvements. Handicapped accessibility improvements are also undertaken for residents to remain comfortably and safely in their homes. The County has updated program standards to incorporate Energy Star and energy efficiency improvements.

CDBG funds are also allocated to neighborhood revitalization projects including housing. These projects involve acquisition and clearance of properties with the goal of developing new affordable housing units. HOME funds may then be used for project costs and/or down payment assistance.

The Long Island Housing Partnership (LIHP) has down payment assistance programs that it undertakes in coordination with the OCD. The OCD utilizes HOME and other funding to assist these programs. The Employer Assisted Housing Program developed by LIHP is an economic initiative to assist Long Island employers in recruiting and retaining qualified employees in high cost areas. Employer contributions are matched with public funding to help employees purchase and rehabilitate homes.

The Emergency Solutions Grants (ESG) program is used for homeless prevention and rapid re-housing to fund housing relocation and stabilization services. Funds may also be used for short- or medium-term rental assistance for those at risk of becoming homeless or transitioning to stable housing.

Special needs housing is a priority for Nassau County. Funds have been allocated to Harvest Houses and Mental Health Association of Nassau County. Harvest Houses, Residences for Independent Seniors offer

a unique response to this growing national trend as the “baby boomers” and “milleniums” approach later life by providing a safe, affordable community based environment for Seniors.

Over two hundred independent seniors have benefitted from living in a Harvest House. Residents of Harvest Houses enjoy connectedness to one another in the residence and to the community. It is anticipated that 2 seniors will benefit this year from this program. The Mental Health Association carries out two separate programs to address the needs of those with mental disabilities. Through A Home at Last I and A Home at Last II, a total of 9 households are assisted with safe and sound living conditions and resources available to live independently.

## **AP-60 Public Housing – 91.220(h)**

### **Introduction**

The nine public housing authorities/agencies (PHA) within the Nassau Urban County Consortium operate and manage 3,749 public housing units. Of these, 3,211 are identified as senior housing units and 538 are identified as family housing units.

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

In response to COVID-19, the needs of Public Housing Authorities are changing. The Housing Authorities are trying to find ways to get additional services and materials to their tenants such as meals, personal protection equipment, mental health care, and medication. The costs of these services and materials will take up funds that may have been budgeted for other uses such as facility improvements. While HUD has given each Housing Authority additional funding, it may not be enough to cover the costs incurred by impacts of COVID-19. Housing Authorities do not have the staff necessary to aid senior residents and are not adequately prepared to help tenants who may need increased mental health and other medical services.

The County's nine PHAs have all indicated plans to modernize their housing units and, in some cases, provide job training/counseling services for their residents. The Nassau County OCD has allocated \$80,000 in CDBG funding to the Oyster Bay Public Housing Authority to fund roof replacement, exterior door replacement, new lighting, new security cameras, generators and parking lot repairs at five of its 11 public housing developments. The Moxey Rigby Apartment redevelopment project was awarded funds under the National Disaster Resiliency Competition as part of the "Public Housing Resiliency Pilot Project". The approved development is underway and called for the demolition of existing structures and the new construction of replacement housing on an adjacent site. The new buildings are being constructed to the highest standard of energy efficiency and storm resiliency construction. The new development will consist of a 101-unit residential building totaling 133,987 square feet. HOME funds had been allocated in 2017 be used to assist with construction costs. Construction will likely be complete during PY2018.

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

Generally, the PHAs within the Nassau Urban County Consortium indicated that they include up to 2 tenant representatives on their Board of Commissioners. The PHAs typically hold meetings with residents on a regular basis (usually monthly) in order for them to be informed of the activities within the PHAs and provide residents the opportunity to give their feedback. The PHAs also encourage the creation of tenant committees, such as a resident watch program.

### **If the PHA is designated as troubled, describe the manner in which financial assistance will be**

### **provided or other assistance**

Most of the Housing Authorities in Nassau are struggling due to the cost of mandated services and expenses exceeding incoming revenue. The Authorities that pursued redevelopment projects or sold land tend to be doing better receiving revenue from tax credit projects or the sale of land. Hempstead Village Housing Authority was troubled as per the 2016 audited financial statement. Town of North Hempstead Housing Authority is not troubled, it is actually high performing and has completed a Rental Assistance Demonstration (RAD) Project conversion. Rockville Centre Housing Authority is a small authority, not troubled, and in the process of converting to tax credit and may be applying for HOME assistance. Glen Cove Housing Authority is in the process of converting to RAD. The Town of Oyster Bay utilizes a portion of its CDBG allocation towards repairs and upgrades to their Housing Authority buildings.

### **Discussion**

The public housing developments need to continuously be rehabilitated in order to upgrade living conditions, correct physical deficiencies and achieve operating efficiency.

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

### **Introduction**

In regard to COVID-19, the homeless population is one of the most at risk groups. In addition to having a high risk of contracting COVID-19, this population is at risk of increasing as more people lose or have reduced income because of the economic effects of the COVID-19 pandemic. The County and other organizations that participated in the Consolidated Plan Committee Meetings have noted that they are making a concerted effort to ensure that the homeless population in Nassau County does not increase rapidly. Efforts are being made to provide residents with services and funding they need to maintain their homes and provide other services that help keep residents in their homes. Resources and funding are limited, but these organizations are teaming up to provide as much of the essentials as they possibly can, as well as an isolation area for the homeless population that may have contracted COVID-19 to reduce further spread.

Nassau County had to adjust and adapt rapidly to transform the shelter system in response to COVID-19. Nassau DSS, working in tandem with the Nassau County Department of Health, secured an isolation residence for the shelter guests diagnosed with the virus. With that, they also had to secure a medical team, catering services and professional cleaning services. There was also coordination with Nassau County Office of Emergency Management (OEM) to provide Personal Protective Equipment (PPE's) to all shelter guests and providers. Additionally, the County is looking to utilize CDBG-CV funding for a community nurse coordinator so shelter residents and unsheltered homeless, who may not seek or have access to healthcare, will receive testing and treatment.

This section outlines the one-year objectives regarding homeless populations and other special needs activities within the Nassau Urban County Consortium. These objectives include:

1. Provide decent and affordable housing
2. Provide a suitable living environment
3. Create economic opportunities

Beginning in January of 2019, ESG was put under the umbrella of the same office that administers the CDBG and HOME grants under a new name Office of Community Development. This change in organization has linked ESG more closely to the wider community efforts under CDBG and HOME to develop and encourage new affordable housing in high opportunity areas. ESG is able to contribute ideas and research to these efforts as the expansion of affordable housing speaks directly to the needs of our homeless and at-risk clients.

### **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**

The COVID-19 pandemic has made reaching out to the unsheltered population extremely challenging. Street homeless are often suspicious of people trying to assist them with finding a suitable living environment. The lack of facilities, hygiene, and health care render this population extremely vulnerable to the virus. Organizations such as Long Island Coalition for the Homeless have been making every effort to communicate with unsheltered persons and get them medical attention if necessary. Funding the community nurse coordinator with CDBG-CV funds would address the possible medical needs of those who will not enter the shelter system.

In the 44th YR ESG funded a Street Outreach program through the lead agency of the CoC Long Island Coalition for the Homeless. Through that appropriation the CoC was able to purchase a van for Street Outreach and hire two full time workers. It is OCD's understanding that LICH will continue this program through other funding. Nassau County maintains its own street outreach program called the Homeless Intervention Team, which is administered under the umbrella of Adult Protective Services. This program will continue to be funded by Nassau County.

## **Addressing the emergency shelter and transitional housing needs of homeless persons**

The needs of homeless persons in shelters have changed dramatically and OCD is working with several emergency shelters to provide transitional housing and overnight shelter as well as the services necessary to response to COVID-19.

## **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**

ESG is funding two years of a RRH program that we expect will, combined, move 12-24 families out of the Nassau County shelter system into permanent housing. Additionally, ESG is working with developers and landlords of buildings subject to tax abatement programs, to consider offering one or two units to families who receive public assistance. An ongoing challenge to reducing homelessness in Nassau County, is the gap between the shelter income allowed by TANF and the fair market rent numbers. Beyond that challenge is the fact that our inventory for FMR apartments is not expanding as many of the towns that used to issue PILOTS for affordable housing developments are no longer supporting that model. ESG will continue to develop dialogue with already established housing and new developments to see if there are small inroads to be made in connecting the private sector with the issue of homelessness in our County to come up with creative and new approaches to meet the housing



needs of our most vulnerable Nassau County residents.

**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.**

New York State has issued a moratorium on evictions, which is a monumental initiative to avoid low income persons from becoming homeless. However, this will expire, and Nassau County will likely see an increase in those individuals and families on the verge of homelessness. The use of ESG-CV Homeless Prevention dollars, especially as HUD raised AMI% threshold, will go a long way in staving off homelessness. CDBG-CV funds can also be used for subsistence payments to pay for heating and energy bills for low income families who are struggling to pay the bills due to loss of income and disabilities.

ESG continues to develop strong relationships with providers of services across the County especially with Nassau County Department of Social Services (NCDSS). NCDSS has developed a program to receive referrals directly from hospitals and nursing homes in order to begin assessing and assisting with case management to avoid wherever possible an individual being discharged to homelessness. ESG is regularly consulted on case management issues that arise and we as well bring our questions to NCDSS units for guidance and facilitation of services and benefits. Equally as strong is our relationship with the pro bono legal agency Nassau Suffolk Law Services (NSLS). ESG refers clients to NSLS and they refer to us. Together we work to keep families and individuals from being evicted from their current housing. ESG also works closely with Adult Protective Services, several of the Health Homes Care Coordination programs, many assisted living programs, nursing homes, senior housing providers, and non-profit providers. Through these relationships ESG Homeless Prevention receives many referrals and is able to connect agencies that have not worked together previously. ESG is working to strengthen the overall coordination of services in Nassau County in an effort to support our singles and families in whichever area may be contributing to their housing instability.

## **Discussion**

Nassau County OCD will continue to assess and address the needs of the homeless and its subpopulations

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

### **Introduction:**

Nassau County is committed to addressing the barriers to affordable housing and promoting housing diversity. As such, the County is currently undertaking an Affordable Housing Study to assess the current housing needs within the County and each municipality within the County. The goal is to understand the affordable housing issues within Nassau County, gain knowledge of current federal and state housing programs and policies, and gain a better understanding of the local communities. This study is a pre-cursor to completing the County's next Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice (AI) and well as the Five-Year Consolidated Plan.

The following are some of the obstacles that Nassau County faces in addressing its affordable housing and community development needs.

**Lack of Vacant Land** - Nassau County is highly developed, with little vacant or undeveloped land remaining. Where land is available, land use patterns generally favor other, more lucrative types of development. The limited amount of developable land restricts the number of new rental units and homeownership housing that can be built and contributes to the high cost of land.

**High Cost of Land** - A limited supply of developable land and high demand results in higher property costs, particularly for undeveloped land. The property values for parcels of land are cost prohibitive and generally preclude the development of affordable housing. Typically, increasing the number of dwelling units on a site would help to offset the high land costs. However, there are very few high density residential sites left in the County. Throughout the County, non-profit organizations are searching for ways to secure parcels of land through non-conventional sources, such as land donations made by municipalities, the County or the State.

**Limited Funding Availability** - There is a strong competition for available affordable housing funding. The County's annual allocations of CDBG and HOME funds can be used to plug in holes when leveraging funding for housing developments. These funds have been highly promoted, but often are not enough to off-set the high cost of land, especially in high opportunity areas. Other Federal and State funds are also limited. Not-for-profit and for-profit developers seeking to build affordable housing are all competing for the same limited pool of funds. Limited funding for not-for-profit organizations also hampers their capacity to provide essential services.

High construction costs further contribute to the barriers to constructing additional affordable housing.

The full discussion regarding barriers to affordable housing in Nassau County can be found in the 2015-2019 Consolidated Plan and Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice (AI). Both documents can

be found at:

<https://www.nassaucountyny.gov/1524/Community-Development>

**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**

In order to remove or ameliorate the negative effects of actions that serve as barriers to affordable housing, Nassau County is in the process of undertaking a comprehensive fair housing advertising campaign. This campaign will serve to inform the public and real estate professionals that Nassau County is an open and inclusive community. It will also serve to educate the public about fair housing laws with the mission of limiting unlawful housing discrimination.

In addition to the advertising campaign, the County will prepare a report that identifies land within the county that may be suitable for the development of mixed-income housing. Once land is identified, there will be significant outreach to non-profit and for-profit developers to undertake the construction of this type of housing. The use of HOME and CDBG funds will be promoted as an incentive to build affordable housing units. Furthermore, as mentioned above, Nassau County is in the process of undertaking an Affordable Housing Study which will be utilized to assess the housing needs on a County-Wide basis.

The County continues to pursue and encourage affordable housing opportunities in an attempt to meet this need. When feasible, the County encourages the redevelopment of downtown areas with housing. Although Nassau County holds two public hearings and outreaches to numerous developers and non-profit housing organizations, it was clear that the County needed to conduct a more robust marketing campaign for the HOME Investment Partnerships Program. Therefore, in order to solicit broader interest in applying for HOME funds, OCD created an informational flyer which was e-mailed to over 100 housing organizations touting the benefits of infusing HOME funds into housing projects. This flyer outlined in general program guidelines and uses. The mailing encourages applications for the development of rental housing in high opportunity areas (HOA's). This has paid off as OCD has been receiving inquiries and carrying on discussions about funding opportunities including a developer who is poised to build a multi-family rental development in Garden City at 555 Stewart Avenue. The developer has completed a HOME pre-application which has been approved to the next level. Nassau County will infuse HOME and possibly CDBG funding into this project which will go towards the construction of the affordable units and infrastructure improvements if necessary.

Over the past several program years, Nassau County OCD has set aside approximately \$800,000 per year in CDBG funds and created a formal application process explicitly for the purpose of funding affordable housing units in high opportunity areas (HOA's). While a few consortium members have applied for this funding, there have been many obstacles to overcome. To date, the funding has been allocated to the

Village of Island Park but has yet to be spent as the Village is still negotiating purchase price. Funding was allocated to the Town of North Hempstead in FY2016 to purchase a property in the Village of Roslyn, but the deal did not come to fruition. This year, the Town of North Hempstead applied for funding to purchase a property in Garden City Park which ranks #12 on the HOA Indices. Affordable properties in high opportunity areas tend to be sold very quickly.

### **Discussion:**

In 2016, OCD created a Fair Housing Activity Statement (FHAS) for each consortium member. Completion of the FHAS was a prerequisite for applying for CDBG and HOME funds. The FHAS details the actions that each consortium member will undertake to affirmatively further fair housing and overcome the impediments to fair housing. Progress reports must be submitted on a yearly basis detailing actions they are undertaking to ameliorate the barriers to affordable housing. OCD also encourages each consortium member to attend fair housing conferences and trainings that take place during the year.

The FY2019 CDBG new online application process incorporated a scoring system to evaluate municipal applications. A municipality received a higher score if they indicated that have inclusionary zoning, multi-family housing and affordable housing. Municipalities with inclusionary zoning policies had the opportunity to be rewarded with additional funding.

The County will continue to promote and support communities who have favorable inclusionary zoning policies. Initiatives are being undertaken by several communities in the Consortium to promote affordable housing opportunities. These include incentive zoning/density bonuses; streamlining regulations to expedite approvals; creative use of public subsidies and tax credits; provision of extensive technical assistance to non-profit housing organizations; and greater involvement by localities in assembling blighted properties for redevelopment utilizing the power of eminent domain.

The Village of New Hyde Park adopted a new overlay and inclusionary zoning district covering parcels near the Long Island Railroad. This includes a 10% set-aside for affordable housing for any proposed development. Proposals are currently being considered. OCD has been in discussions with New Hyde Park about how HOME and CDBG funds could be used for gap funding for any development. In addition, planning funds have been awarded to the village to produce a Master Plan which will include how best to incorporate affordable housing.

Long Island Housing Services, a fair housing advocacy agency serving both Nassau and Suffolk County, is being funded at its highest level this year at \$140,000. This agency provides critical fair housing services including but not limited to education and outreach, investigation and advocacy, and foreclosure prevention. Nassau County is looking to engage LIHS more fully with our consortium to provide fair housing trainings, and to participate in our five-year consolidated planning process and AI.

Nassau County OCD participates in the Long Island Institute for Attainable Homes ("Institute"), which is

a project of the Center for Community Solutions at St. Joseph's College located in Patchogue, NY. The Institute supports a comprehensive approach to solving the affordable housing crisis and other community problems. Project participants include community leaders, business leaders, government officials, educational leaders and community members.

Several of the identified barriers to affordable housing, such as lack of available land for development, high land costs, and limited availability of funding are problems which are difficult for the County to address directly. Thus, the County is engaging with communities to address these barriers. The County will continue to work within its purview to remove or ameliorate the negative effects of public policies that serve as barriers to affordable housing.

## **AP-85 Other Actions – 91.220(k)**

### **Introduction:**

This section outlines other actions Nassau County will carry out during Federal fiscal year 2019 as part of the Annual Plan. These actions include addressing obstacles to meeting underserved needs, fostering and maintaining affordable housing, reducing lead-based paint hazards, reducing the number of poverty-level families, developing institutional structures, and enhancing the coordination among public and private housing and social services agencies.

### **Actions planned to address obstacles to meeting underserved needs**

In light of COVID-19, small businesses are in serious financial distress, especially in minority communities. Nassau County OCD funds La Fuerza Community Development Corporation (CDC) to assist W/MBE businesses to address this underserved need. CDBG-CV funds will go a long way in increasing capacity. The fact is that the volume of business loans made to minority businesses on Long Island is very low. One of the most often quoted reasons for this is that the process involves excessive paperwork and complicated accounting requirements. Through CDC's new Access to Capital program, CDC will provide technical and financial support to assist the borrowers in developing and maintaining proper accounting and administrative practices for sustained growth. La Fuerza CDC is also expanding its services to individuals with disabilities in need of these services to become business owners or expand current business ventures.

Homelessness continues to be an obstacle in Nassau County as the population has increased approximately 200% since 2014. Actions to address this are described at length in AP-65 "Homeless and Other Special Needs Activities". Essentially, via the ESG program OCD will support more case management and follow-up which is modeled on the RRH case management model where all efforts to support the client are "housing based". OCD will continue to improve outreach and support which will in turn diminish this underserved population. OCD is working closely with DSS, LICH and Services for the Underserved (SUS) to reach its housing goals.

To address the needs of a diverse Nassau County population, the OCD has formulated a Language Access Plan ("LAP") which is in place to approve the language barriers many residents encounter. The County currently has language translators who are available for public meetings and government buildings open to the public.

The County also funds numerous non-profit agencies that address underserved populations whether they be the frail elderly, physically and mentally challenged individuals, victims of domestic violence and

child abuse, and families living in poverty.

### **Actions planned to foster and maintain affordable housing**

Actions planned to foster and maintain affordable housing include: rehabilitating and retaining the existing affordable housing stock; providing down payment assistance to those individuals or families that qualify; increasing the availability of permanent housing for very low, low and moderate income families; assisting the homeless in attaining permanent housing; and assisting those at risk of becoming homeless. Nassau County OCD is working with Uniondale Land Trust organization to purchase homes that will remain affordable for generations, as well as being heavily involved in the Nassau County Land Bank.

### **Actions planned to reduce lead-based paint hazards**

The County will continue its efforts to notify owners of pre-1978 housing who participate in CDBG, HOME, ESG, and Housing Choice Voucher funded housing programs of potential lead-based paint hazards. The County will also continue to provide lead/asbestos testing and abatement services through its Residential Rehabilitation Program.

### **Actions planned to reduce the number of poverty-level families**

Unfortunately, because of the COVID-19 crisis, Nassau County will be dealing with a rash unemployment which may lead to evictions, homelessness, and food insecurity to name a few. The CDBG-CV and ESG-CV funding will be used to soften the effects of the pandemic, by providing funding for rental arrears, subsistence payments, food banks, transportation, foreclosure prevention counseling, and grants to businesses to stay afloat. The long-term effects will not be known for quite some time, but NC OCD is working on measures to prevent families from entering poverty.

The Housing Choice Voucher Program and the Nassau County Family Self Sufficiency Programs, to be carried out by the County and PHAs, will be instrumental in assisting families who are living below the poverty level to become more self-sufficient by improving their skills and income producing capacity. In addition, CDBG funded public services geared toward employment training, education, and counseling will also be instrumental in helping extremely low income families.

### **Actions planned to develop institutional structure**

The OCD and the Consortium members are part of an extensive network that provides housing and other public services described in the Consolidated Plan. The OCD and Consortium members have cultivated relationships over time that result in efficient delivery of these services to populations in need. The OCD and Consortium members will continue to nurture these relationships and review ways

to improve institutional structure and service delivery.

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

Because of the COVID-19 pandemic, the County has stepped up its coordination between public and private housing and social service agencies. Fortunately, the County was preparing the Five-Year Consolidated Plan and thus had formed six (6) separate committees to work on the document and they are as follows:

- ✓ Fair Housing Committee
- ✓ Homeless Housing Needs Committee
- ✓ Public Housing Authority Committee
- ✓ Non-Housing Capital Improvement Needs Committee
- ✓ Public Services Committee
- ✓ Developers/Management Company Committee

The committee discussions morphed into determining how all these agencies and organizations can work together to deal with this burgeoning health crisis. The input and participation proved fruitful and all participants remain engaged in the process.

The OCD will continue to work with municipalities, not-for profit organizations, and other County agencies to provide linkages among various service providers. The County via its Public Hearings invites public and private housing and social service agencies together to speak on the needs of Nassau County residents.

### **Discussion:**

All projects listed in the Annual Plan go toward addressing the priority needs that were identified in the Five-Year Strategic Plan. The coordination of available resources from Federal, State and local levels will continue to be required in the provision of affordable and supportive housing, non-housing community development, as well as the support of other community needs identified in this section.



## Program Specific Requirements

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

#### Introduction:

The County has program specific requirements for the use of CDBG program income, HOME resale and recapture, and ESG outreach and performance standards.

#### 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
<b>Total Program Income:</b>	<b>0</b>

#### 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.	80.00%

#### 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 uses no other form of investment beyond those identified in Section 92.205. These

include investing HOME funds as equity investments, interest-bearing loans or advances, non-interest-bearing loans or advances, interest subsidies consistent with the HOME program requirements, deferred payment loans or grants.

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:

**HOME Recapture Guidelines.** As per 24 CFR 92.254, the HOME-assisted housing units must meet certain affordability requirements. The regulation states:

*Periods of affordability.* The HOME-assisted housing must meet the affordability requirements for not less than the applicable period specified in the following table, beginning after project completion. The per unit amount of HOME funds and the affordability period they trigger are described more fully in paragraphs (a)(5)(i) (resale) and (ii) (recapture) of this section.

The table below outlines the HOME recapture guidelines based on the amount of assistance per unit that Nassau County will utilize when determining the affordability period.

3. 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 following is the Consortium's resale/recapture guidelines for homebuyers assisted through the HOME program.

- Program funds will be secured by a first or second recapture mortgage on all HOME-assisted units. That mortgage will be due and owing during the affordability/recapture period if at any time the unit is not occupied as the principal residence of the mortgagor.
- In the event of sale or other transfer of the property during the affordability/recapture period, the HOME mortgage shall be due and payable from the net proceeds of the sale. Net proceeds of the sale shall be defined as the resale price less any remaining outstanding balance on a (non-HOME) first mortgage loan, and less the homeowner's investment.
- The homeowner's investment shall be defined as the sum of the homeowner's equity, down payment and closing costs, the equity achieved through mortgage principal repayments, and the value of approved capital improvements, if any. Approved capital improvements will be those constructed in conformance with state and local codes, and condominium/cooperative or homeowner's association rules where applicable, and for which building permits and certificates of occupancy have been obtained.
- In the event that the net proceeds less the homeowner's investment shall be insufficient to repay the outstanding HOME mortgage in its entirety, the County shall agree to accept less than the full

amount of these proceeds in satisfaction of its mortgage.

- Repayments will be used to fund additional housing activities consistent with the HOME program regulations at the time of repayment.
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:

No existing debt will be refinanced with HOME funds.

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

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

Nassau County OCD will carry out a significant portion of the prevention component as defined in the new ESG regulations at 24 CFR 576. NC OCD will be conducting the initial evaluation required under § 576.401(a), including verifying and documenting eligibility for individuals and families applying for housing assistance. Nassau County Office of Community Development will provide services to those most in need of the temporary assistance, providing case management to assist the program participant to achieve stable housing, whether subsidized or unsubsidized. This program assistance is not intended to provide long-term support for program participants, but to provide critical assistance for the homeless, through our subgrantees for RRH, or those at-risk of homelessness, through our Homeless Prevention program that we will continue to administer. The NC OCD will work with local agencies, including the Nassau County Department of Social Services, to help households regain stability. NC OCD has created a letter for tenant landlord court in Nassau County that describes the program eligibility and can be submitted for an order to show cause to stop an eviction. OCD also receives referrals from Nassau Suffolk Law Services, a non-profit law firm that represents low-income clients in tenant-LL court. Referrals may be made through these agencies or by self-referral. Applications will be open to the public while funding is available. Applicants must prove they meet federal guidelines for homelessness or at-risk of homelessness and meet income guidelines. OCD is in the process of determining which of the array of financial services we will be offering. At this time, and until our assessment tool is completed, OCD will continue to offer up to six months of arrears for qualifying applicants who have a 72- hour notice.

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

OCD works closely with the CoC. All RRH programs will receive referrals directly from the Prioritization List maintained by the CoC based on data from the HMIS system and additional

administrative data provided to the CoC through MOU from Nassau County DSS through their SPOT system. The CoC and OCD and DSS are still working together to find the most efficient way to enter the homeless who are placed in our motel system into HMIS. Those individuals and families are captured through DSS's SPOT 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 County utilizes the following criteria in selecting projects and making sub-awards as follows:

- Experience of the applicant in engaging in street outreach to unsheltered homeless individuals and families and connecting them with emergency shelter, housing, or critical services, and providing them with urgent non-facility-based care.
- Experience of the applicant with housing relocation and stabilization services.
- Experience of the applicant in developing and/or operating homeless housing.
- Experience of the applicant in working with the federal Emergency Solutions Grants Program, including, but not limited to compliance with reporting and expenditure requirements.
- Administrative capabilities and financial capacity in undertaking proposed projects.
- Proposals that invest in the prevention of homelessness including preventing housed families and individuals from becoming homeless; preventing individuals from becoming homeless upon discharge from institutions; and preventing veterans from becoming homeless upon discharge.
- Proposals that meet the needs of homeless subpopulations as defined by HUD including the chronically homeless, veterans, persons with chronic disabilities (physically disabled, severely mentally ill, chronic substance abusers, and HIV/AIDS), victims of domestic violence, youth, and elderly.
- Projects that leverage other resources.
- The availability of matching resources.

Based on the above criteria, each application is reviewed and scored. Funding recommendations are made by staff and approved by the Nassau County Legislature and HUD. Every year OCD announces the available funding through ESG in *Newsday* and on the Nassau County website.

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.

Nassau County is currently working with a social worker at a hospital in the community who has connected with a leader among a community of homeless men living near a Nassau County train stations. OCD hopes to connect with this individual and invite him to participate with the Street Outreach team. OCD will be asking recipients of RRH and HP funds to help inform how the process can be improved and perhaps to engage in peer support for other families who are experiencing or

at risk of homelessness.

5. Describe performance standards for evaluating ESG.

OCD will be working closely with DSS to evaluate the performance of the homeless shelters based on their efforts to connect families and individuals with permanent housing. The CoC, OCD, and DSS are collaborating to provide closer guidance and training for shelter staff to assist in learning the skill sets required to achieve housing permanence for their clients. Rapid Re-Housing workers will also be entering the system in increasing numbers which will add to the momentum and the spirit of change for our shelter providers.

ESG will evaluate Rapid Re-Housing by the number of families successfully housed for twelve months after financial assistance from ESG ends. ESG will evaluate the success of Homeless Prevention by the number of households that remained stability housed and meet their financial obligations to the LL for twelve months after financial assistance from ESG ends.

CDBG-CV & ESG-CV  
Allocations FY2019 Action  
Plan Substantial Amendment

**DRAFT SUBSTANTIAL AMENDMENT TO THE FY 2019-2020 ANNUAL ACTION PLAN TO  
ADD COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT – CORONAVIRUS (CDBG-CV) FUNDS  
AND EMERGENCY SOLUTIONS GRANTS CORONAVIRUS (ESG-CV) FUNDS**

<b>Project Title – CDBG-CV</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Allocation</b>
<b>PUBLIC SERVICES</b>		<b>\$3,045,089.00</b>
Food Banks (05W)	Eligible costs include: Staff costs for collecting & distributing food and PPEs to primarily low/mod income clientele. Funds may also be used to purchase related equipment such as shelving, commercial refrigerators and ovens and vehicles dedicated to the collection and delivery of food and provisions.	\$1,000,000.00
Health Services (05M)	Staff costs for administering health screenings for low/mod income persons, purchase of PPEs, and equipment needed to provide services such as handheld computers. Costs of providing PC stations at low income housing developments for tele-health screenings are also eligible costs.	\$600,000.00
Mental Health (05O) & Substance Abuse (05F)	Staff costs for administering mental health screenings and mental health and substance abuse counseling for low/mod income persons. Funds may also be used to purchase of PPEs for staff and clients and equipment needed to perform screenings.	\$600,000.00
Employment Training (05H)	Staff costs for administering employment training services primarily for low and moderate income persons. Programs may be directed to un- or underemployed, or to assist recently incarcerated individuals with their re-entry into the community.	\$200,000.00
Child Care Services (05L)	Short-term childcare service aimed to assist parents enrolled in employment or educational certificate type courses.	\$200,000.00
Tenant/Landlord Counseling (05K) & Legal Services (05C)	Staff costs for legal assistance including those the mediation of landlord-tenant disputes with the goal of avoiding eviction.	\$100,000.00
Other Public Services Eligible under the CDBG Program	Costs related to carrying out CDBG-eligible public services to a primarily low and moderate income population.	\$345,089.00
<b>Economic Development Fund</b>	Funds to be used to assist private for-profit businesses. Businesses must demonstrate that funds are needed to either retain or create jobs, at least 51% of which are or will be available to or held by members of low and moderate income households. Program design criteria and eligible business are subject to any program waivers that may be issued by HUD for COVID-19 funds.	<b>\$2,000,000.00</b>
<b>Public Facility Improvement Projects</b>	Public facilities improvements allowable under the CDBG-CV requirements with an emphasis on projects in low/mod income areas that prevent, prepare for and respond to coronavirus and will result in long term benefit to the community."	<b>\$2,500,000.00</b>
OCD Administration	General program management, oversight, and monitoring of the CDBG-CV Program.	<b>\$250,000.00</b>
OCD Project Delivery	Nassau County OCD direct delivery of services, including environmental reviews for CDBG-CV projects.	<b>\$80,000.00</b>

Planning	Costs of implementing planning studies including comprehensive plans, and plans related to community development, transportation, land use, environmental, housing, zoning, etc. Funds may also be used to review and establish proper reporting mechanisms financial oversight of programs.	<b>\$650,000.00</b>
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>		<b>\$8,525,089.00</b>

<b>Project Title – ESG-CV</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Allocation</b>
<b>Homeless Prevention</b>	ESG funds may be used to provide housing relocation and stabilization services and short- and/or medium-term rental assistance necessary to prevent an individual or family from moving into an emergency shelter or other unstable housing. Program may assist with rent and utility arrears for clients who demonstrate ability to resume payments.	<b>\$1,475,000.00</b>
<b>Emergency Shelter Operations &amp; Services</b>	Funds to be allocated to non-profit emergency shelter providers certified by NC DSS via a formula that considers the number of shelter rooms.	
<b>Emergency Shelter Operations &amp; Services</b>	ESG-CV funding will be utilized for emergency shelter operations including sanitizing the shelter environment by purchasing and using supplies and equipment to do so as well as expanding staff to support infectious disease preparedness. Retrofitting of shelter facilities to comply with COVID-19 concerns will also be undertaken such as cots, room dividers, washers and dryers, and portable handwashing stations. Additional services for the residents will also be undertaken such as transportation and case management for those who are in need of medical care. Eligible costs also include the purchase of PPEs for shelter staff and residents.	<b>\$2,000,000.00</b>
OCD Administration	General program management, oversight, and monitoring of the ESG-CV Program. May also be used to reimburse other County Depts. For staff time dedicated to administering ESG-CV Program and for outside financial oversight and planning related to the Program.	<b>\$425,015.00</b>
ESG Project Delivery - Homeless Prevention Program	Nassau County OCD & DSS direct delivery of services, including client in-take, eligibility review, & environmental reviews for ESG-CV HP Program.	<b>\$350,140.00</b>
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>		<b>\$4,250,155.00</b>

<b>Total CV Allocations</b>	<b>\$12,775,244</b>
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For the purpose of an expedited use of the CDBG-CV funding and to allow for funds to be utilized to best prevent, prepare for and respond to coronavirus and address the impact that COVID-19 has had on the health and economy of local municipalities. The CARES Act eliminates the cap on the amount of funds a grantee can spend on public services, removes the requirement to hold in-person public hearings in order to comply with national and local social distancing requirements and limitations on public gatherings, and allows grantees to be reimbursed for COVID-19 response activities regardless of the date the costs were incurred.



Citizen Participation  
Documentation  
CDBG-CV & ESG-CV  
FY2019 Action Plan Substantial  
Amendment



**NASSAU COUNTY**

**OFFICE OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT**

**CITIZEN PARTICIPATION PLAN**

**FOR THE HUD CONSOLIDATED STRATEGY AND PLAN**

December 1994  
Revised June 1995  
Revised March 2005  
Revised May 2010  
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Revised April 2020

## **I. INTRODUCTION AND BACKGROUND**

The Nassau County Office of Community Development (OCD) is the overall administrative agent for the Federal Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program, HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME), and the Emergency Solutions Grants Program, which are all funded through the U.S. Department of Housing & Urban Development (HUD). These programs are intended to support the goals of providing decent housing, providing a suitable living environment and expanding economic opportunities for low and moderate income people.

Beginning in 1995, HUD requested that grantees, such as Nassau County, consolidate the submission requirements for all of the above formula grant programs in order to promote coordinated neighborhood and community development strategies to revitalize communities. The requirements of the Consolidated Plan and Analysis of Impediments (AI) submission also create the opportunity for citizen participation to occur in a comprehensive context. As required by 24 CFR Part 91, in the development of its Consolidated Strategy and Plan, the Nassau County Office of Community Development will follow a detailed Citizen Participation Plan.

The Citizen Participation Plan will be made available for citizen comment during the Consolidated Plan comment period. All comments received regarding the Citizen Participation Plan will be summarized and included in the final Consolidated Plan submitted to HUD.

## **II. CITIZEN PARTICIPATION PLAN GOALS AND OBJECTIVES**

The Citizen Participation Plan incorporates the following major provisions:

**A. Participation.** Provides for and encourages citizen participation, with particular emphasis on participation by persons of low and moderate income who are residents of slum and blighted areas, of areas in which Federal housing and community development funds are proposed to be used, and residents of predominately low-moderate-income neighborhoods. Provides for and encourages participation by local and regional agencies and institutions, the Continuum of Care, public housing agencies, and other organizations in the process of developing and implementing the AI and Consolidated Plan. Primary methods include public hearings and meetings to obtain citizen views and to respond to proposals and questions at all stages of the community development program, including at least the development of needs, the review of proposed activities, and review of program performance, which hearings shall be held after adequate notice, at times and locations convenient to potential or actual beneficiaries, and with accommodation for special needs populations. Consultations shall also include broadband internet service providers, organizations engaged in narrowing the digital divide, agencies whose primary responsibilities include the management of flood prone areas, public land or water resources, and emergency management agencies in the process of developing the Consolidated Plan. This section

also includes provisions for alternative forms of public participation that may be necessary during times of Federal, State, or local emergencies.

- B. **Access.** Provides citizens with reasonable and timely access to local meetings, information, and records relating to the amount of funds available to Nassau County, and Nassau County's proposed use of funds.
- C. **Technical Assistance.** Provides for technical assistance to groups representative of persons of low and moderate income that request such assistance in developing proposals with the level and type of assistance to be determined by the Nassau County OCD.
- D. **Complaints and Grievances.** Describes appropriate and practicable procedures to provide a timely-written answer to written comments, complaints and grievances, within 20 working days where practicable.
- E. **Non-English Speaking Residents.** Identifies how the needs of non-English speaking residents will be met in the case of public hearings where a significant number of non-English speaking residents can be reasonably expected to attend and participate.
- F. **Displacement.** Describes the County's policy to minimize, to the greatest extent possible, the direct, permanent, involuntary displacement of households. Provides details on the County's policy regarding relocation assistance in the event that displacement cannot be avoided.

### III. PLAN ELEMENTS

#### A. Participation

##### Public Hearings

Prior to the submission of the Nassau County Consolidated Plan, three public hearings will be held by the Nassau County OCD. As an additional method of encouraging citizen participation, the eight larger consortium members, which include the Towns of Hempstead, Oyster Bay and North Hempstead, the Cities of Long Beach and Glen Cove, and the Villages of Hempstead, Freeport, and Rockville Centre, will hold public hearings where citizens are provided information concerning the CDBG program and are given the opportunity to comment and express their views on the program. The purpose of the hearings will be to obtain views of citizens, public agencies and other interested parties, and to respond to proposals and comments at all stages of the consolidated submission process by identifying housing and community development needs, reviewing the proposed use of funds, and reviewing program performance.

Public hearings will be held at convenient times and locations. The locations will be accessible to actual or proposed beneficiaries, including the elderly, handicapped, and any other populations with disabilities. Substantial program amendments will also be subject to a citizen participation process; this aspect will be undertaken by the OCD.

The first public hearing will be a needs hearing to provide information about the consolidated planning process, the funding anticipated to be received by Nassau County, and past performance. A summary of fair housing issues and affordable housing needs would also be discussed. Attendees will be encouraged to provide testimony regarding housing and community development needs and the prioritization of these needs. A second public hearing will be held where, as in the first public hearing, attendees will be encouraged to provide input regarding fair and affordable housing and community development needs. Attendees will be encouraged to provide input on the draft AI and initial findings of the draft Consolidated Plan. The third public hearing will be held to present the proposed strategy and use of funds. As with the first and second public hearings, attendees will be encouraged to comment and provide input on the consolidated strategy and plan and the County's fair and affordable housing programs. The OCD will distribute information to agencies, organizations and groups that are involved with housing and community development, encouraging them to participate. The OCD will also encourage participation by public housing residents through contact with public housing management and/or public housing tenants associations.

A draft Plan which will include proposed funding allocations will be published in *Nassau County Newsday*, a newspaper of general circulation in the County, providing for a 30 day comment period. The Draft Consolidated Plan will be made available at the Nassau County Office of Community Development for review by Consortium Communities, County and local agencies and the not-for-profit sector. Reasonable opportunity to comment on substantial amendments to the Consolidated Plan will be provided.

#### Public Meetings

The OCD will engage in additional outreach with public meetings at various consortium communities to solicit public feedback and input on fair and affordable housing and community development needs. These public meeting presentations will take place in addition to or concurrently with the public hearings that the consortium members will hold in those same communities.

#### Substantial Amendments

Substantial amendments will be defined as changes in use of funding from one eligible activity to another; and addition or deletion of an established Consolidated Plan strategy. Substantial changes shall not include: transfers of a modest amount of funds from an existing line to another existing project line without material changes to either project in terms of beneficiaries or locations; or transfers of left-over funds from a completed project to an existing project without material change in terms of beneficiaries or locations. Notices will be published in *Newsday* providing for a 30 day comment period. If expedited amendments are necessary, the OCD will provide notice and opportunity to comment of no less than 5 days, in accordance with HUD guidance. The 5-day period can run concurrently for comments on the action plan amendment and amended citizen participation plans.

### Activities

HOME, Emergency Solutions Grants, and public service activities will be selected based on an annual competitive funding round. Projects will be selected based upon the capacity of the organization to carry out the activity; the extent the project benefits low income persons; matching contributions available; market and financial feasibility; and site and design factors. Other rating factors and weighting criteria will be outlined in a Notice of Funding Availability published at the start of the Annual Plan coordination process or when such funding might become available.

The County's overall approach toward selecting Community Development projects is to permit each Consortium community to define its own needs, delineate its own target improvement area, and to develop programs to meet the target area needs, within the context of an overall Countywide approach for the entire Consolidated Plan.

### Additional Outreach

Throughout the community engagement process, the OCD distributes information to agencies, organizations and groups that are involved with housing and community development encouraging them to participate.

The development of the Consolidated Plan and AI will include the following committees that will provide input in the process, review draft documents, and assist in the public outreach process. These include the following:

#### *Fair Housing/Analysis of Impediments Committee*

This committee will provide input to OCD staff and consultants in the preparation of the Analysis of Impediments and identification of fair housing issues. This committee will help coordinate information gathering through their colleagues. The Fair Housing Committee will hold three meetings during the AI process.

The committee will include Nassau County Agencies, fair housing advocacy organizations, and other appropriate non-profit organizations.

#### *Consolidated Plan Subcommittees*

Nassau County OCD will develop five Consolidated Plan Subcommittees that will focus on the following topic areas: general housing needs, special needs housing, public housing needs, and homeless populations; capital improvements; and public services. The subcommittees will include representatives from consortium members, along with representatives from not-for-profit organizations, faith-based organizations, public housing authorities, developers/management companies, and representatives from the following County Departments:

- Office of Community Development
- Office of Housing
- Department of Social Services
- Office for the Aging
- Office of Human Services

- Office of Mental Health Chemical Dependency & Developmental Disabilities Services
- Office of Minority Affairs
- Office of Hispanic Affairs
- Office of Asian Affairs
- Office of Community Coordination and Engagement
- Office for the Physically Challenged
- Planning Department
- Department of Public Works
- Department of Parks, Recreation & Museums
- Department of Labor
- Veterans Service Agency
- Office of Youth Services

These subcommittees will provide input to County OCD staff and consultants in the preparation of the Consolidated Plan and will help coordinate information gathering through their colleagues.

*Subcommittees*

- Housing Needs (Homeless Providers) Subcommittee - The primary goal for this subcommittee will be to assist in the process of identifying general housing issues, needs, opportunities, and funding priorities throughout Nassau County. The subcommittee will focus on housing and program issues, needs, opportunities and funding priorities of special needs and homeless populations. Invitees include Veterans Service Agency, Human Services, Social Services, the Continuum of Care, New York State Department of Corrections and Community Supervision, not-for-profit agencies that focus on homelessness and currently homeless individuals.
- Housing Needs (Developers/Management Companies) Subcommittee – The primary goal for this subcommittee will be to assist in the process of identifying housing issues and opportunities from the perspective of developers and management companies and to identify how CDBG and HOME Program funds can best meet the needs of Nassau’s low and moderate income population. Invitees include the Planning Department, Department of Public Works, the Nassau County Industrial Development Agency, and a variety of developers and management companies that work with affordable housing.
- Housing Needs (Housing Authorities) Subcommittee – The primary goal for this subcommittee will be to assist in the process of identifying existing public housing inventory and PHA needs. Invitees include representatives of the Housing Authorities for the Villages of Freeport, Great Neck, Hempstead and Rockville Centre, the Cities of Glen Cove and Long Beach, and the Towns of Hempstead, North Hempstead, and Oyster Bay.

- Non-Housing Needs (Capital Improvements) Subcommittee - The primary goal for this subcommittee will be to assist in the process of identifying non-housing community development and capital improvements issues, needs, goals and funding priorities throughout Nassau County. Invitees include Nassau County Departments of Parks, Recreation & Museums, Planning, and Public Works, Office for the Physically Challenged, and representatives from the Villages of Freeport, Hempstead, Rockville Centre, and Valley Stream, the Cities of Glen Cove and Long Beach, and the Towns of Hempstead, North Hempstead, and Oyster Bay.
- Public Services Subcommittee – The primary goal for this subcommittee will be to assist in the process of identifying public services needs and goals and prioritizing funding for Public Services within the Nassau County Consortium. Invitees include the Nassau County Departments of Human Services, Social Services and Labor, the Offices of Youth Services, the Aging, and the Physically Challenged, and various governmental and not-for-profit agencies who provide public services.

#### Public Survey

A public survey will be created and a link will be distributed to each consortium member and to public agencies and non-profits to post on their website. The survey will ask questions related to the Consolidated Plan and Fair Housing Issues. The intent of this survey would be to reach populations that may not attend meetings in person but still want to provide feedback and input.

#### Emergency Provisions

In the event of a Federal, State, or local emergency, public meetings may be moved to an appropriate online forum, including the use of video conferencing for attendance and participation by members of the public, if it is determined by Federal, State, or local authorities that public gatherings are not in the best interest of the general public's health, safety, or welfare. The OCD will ensure that any virtual public engagement has as much broad access as possible through the following methods: appropriate and easy to find advertisement through the County's website or other public online sources, along with typical advertisement methods, including news media, if possible; online forum can be used on a variety of devices; format will be made available to persons with disabilities; format will be made available to persons with limited English proficiency; and answers to questions or comments will be made in real time or as quickly as possible depending upon the format. If expedited procedures are necessary due to emergency, the OCD will provide notice and opportunity to comment of no less than 5 days, or in accordance with HUD guidance.

### **B. Access to Meetings, Reports, Records, and Information**

The Nassau County Office of Community Development will provide reasonable and timely access to meetings, information, and records relating to the Consolidated Plan. This includes date, time, place and purpose of the public hearing. All notices for public



hearings will be published at least 10 days prior to the date of the hearing in order to provide a reasonable notice period and, where feasible, 14 days notice will be provided. However, HUD does not establish a required notice period and there may be instances, for example during times of Federal, State or local emergency, when the OCD will provide less than 10 days notice. Notices will be published in the Nassau County *Newsday*, a publication of general circulation and Nassau County's official newspaper. Said notice will be placed in a prominent section of the newspaper in both English and Spanish.

As part of the citizen participation process, the larger consortium member communities will conduct public hearings regarding their individual CD programs. Public notices will be published by each community at least 10 days prior to hearings; notices will be published in local newspapers or newspaper of general circulation, and copies of the notices will be posted at City/Village/Town Halls, and/or other public gathering places, as appropriate.

Besides the required notifications for the public hearings that will be published in the Nassau County *Newsday*, Nassau County will publicize meetings and hearings via the following means:

- Posting on the Office of Community Development County website.
- Providing information to County Legislators to email out to their constituents or post on their webpages or social media.
- Targeted emails to committee and subcommittee members to send out to their clientele.

Public hearings conducted by the County will provide the public with more detailed information on CDBG, HOME and ESG Programs including: the amount of funds available, types of eligible and ineligible activities, proposed programs/projects, and the percentage and dollar amount of the programs' estimated benefit to low and moderate income persons.

Prior to the third public hearing, the draft Consolidated Plan and the AI will be available for public review for a 30 day period and review by the Consolidated Plan Subcommittees, County and local agencies and the not-for-profit sector. Citizen comments received at each hearing, and in writing will be responded to in the Final Consolidated Plan, which will be submitted to HUD. In addition, prior to the third hearing, a draft Plan with proposed funding allocations will available for public review. The notice of availability of the draft Plan will published in *Newsday*, providing a 30 day written comment period. The Draft Consolidated Plan will be made available at the Nassau County Office of Community Development and on its website for review by Consortium Communities, County, local agencies, the not-for-profit sector and the general public. A summary of comments and responses will be incorporated into the Consolidated Plan document.

Adjacent jurisdictions including the City of New York, and the towns of Babylon and Huntington will be notified in writing of the availability of the Draft Consolidated Plan. In addition, the non-consortium communities within Nassau County will also be notified.

Nassau County OCD will provide access to substantial amendments to the Plan, and Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Reports (CAPERs) which will be announced in *Newsday*. A 30 day comment period will be provided for substantial amendments and a 30 day comment period will be provided for CAPERs.

Should a citizen or interested party seek information on other program records not covered by the above, the OCD Director will determine whether the request is appropriate in accordance with County policy and/or the Freedom of Information Act. Information and records will be available for inspection at the Nassau County OCD, or at the local City Hall, Village Hall, Town Hall, or CD Office, Monday through Friday, during normal work hours.

### **C. Technical Assistance**

The Nassau County OCD will be responsible for providing technical assistance in developing proposals to groups representative of low and moderate income persons for funding assistance under any of the programs covered by the Consolidated Plan. In providing such assistance, the County OCD Director will consider the scope of the group's proposal; the need for the project; the proposed beneficiaries; the group's past experience and background; and the group's ability to undertake the activity. Technical assistance may take the following forms, depending on the project scope and its impact on the community or identified need:

- application or proposal development
- concept and/or site planning
- environmental assessment
- financial feasibility analysis
- meetings with community and business groups
- seed money for architectural or engineering feasibility reports
- management coordination, including compliance with federal contracting procedures and other related regulations.

### **D. Complaints/Grievances/Comments/Feedback**

The OCD Director will be responsible for responding to all written comments and grievances. Every effort will be made by the Director to respond in writing within 20 business days from the date of receipt of the written complaint or comment. In cases where additional information is required in order to properly respond to the complaint or comment, this will be documented in writing to the complainant or commenter, and a full response provided at a stated later date.

In the event that a grievance or dispute cannot be satisfactorily resolved by the Nassau County OCD, a copy of all correspondence regarding the grievance shall be forwarded to the New York Area Office of HUD for further guidance and resolution.

#### **E. Needs of Non-English Speaking Residents**

All public meeting and hearing notices will be published in English and Spanish or other non-English languages as needed. In addition, the executive summary of the AI and budget of the Consolidated Plan will be translated into Spanish or other language based on request. In cases of public hearings where a significant number of non-English speaking residents can be reasonably expected to attend as well as participate, efforts will be made by the Nassau County OCD to distribute public hearing material in the needed language. Language translators can also be provided at the public hearings upon request.

#### **F. Displacement**

It is the policy of the County of Nassau in formulating and carrying out its CDBG and HOME Programs to include projects which will minimize, to the greatest extent feasible, the direct, permanent, and involuntary displacement of households. Projects which are deemed beneficial but which may cause such displacement may be included in the program only if it has been demonstrated that such displacement is necessary and vital to the project and efforts have been taken to reduce the number of households required to be displaced. The County seeks to avoid any form of displacement, whether temporary or permanent, of residents whenever feasible. Further, it is the policy of the Nassau Urban County Community Development Program to include such projects which may cause displacement only when it has been clearly demonstrated that the goals and anticipated accomplishments of the project clearly outweigh the adverse effects of displacement imposed upon households who must relocate.

It is the policy of the Nassau Urban County Community Development Program to provide relocation assistance to all households permanently displaced by the acquisition of real property as required and in compliance with HUD regulations implementing the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970 (Public Law 91-646), and Section 104(d) of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended.

Further, it is the policy of the Nassau County Office of Community Development to provide relocation assistance to all low and moderate income households who are directly, involuntarily, and permanently displaced by, or for, the assisted activities of code enforcement, demolition or rehabilitation; or, who are displaced by the acquisition of real property which is excluded from HUD regulations implementing Public Law 91-646. This assistance will be provided expressly for the purpose of mitigating the adverse effects to low and moderate income households who must be displaced in order to carry out an approved project. This assistance will include the following:

- a. The provision of housing counseling and referrals to comparable housing as necessary prior to displacement;
- b. The issuance of priority status for the Housing Choice Voucher Program for households income qualified and relocating within the jurisdiction of Nassau County; and
- c. The provision of relocation benefits and moving expense payments for each household displaced.

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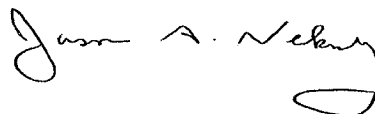
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**Notice of Public Hearing  
Nassau County Five-Year Consolidated Plan  
Federal Fiscal Year 2020**

The Nassau County Office of Community Development (NC OCD) is the administrative agency for the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD)'s Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program, the HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME) Program, and the Emergency Solutions Grants (ESG) Program. These programs are intended to support the goals of providing a suitable living environment, decent affordable housing, and expanding economic opportunities for low to moderate income persons.

As a condition of receiving the above noted federal funds for federal fiscal year 2020, HUD requirements stipulate that the NC OCD must prepare a Five-Year Consolidated Plan describing the County's community and housing needs along with a Strategic Plan for addressing those needs during the five-year period. The County's Five-Year Consolidated Plan, which includes a Fair Housing Plan (Analysis of Impediments), will cover the FY2020-2024 period.

As a part of the process of preparing its Five-Year Consolidated Plan, the Nassau County OCD will conduct a second public hearing on **Tuesday, April 21, 2020 at 10:00 am**. The purpose of the hearing is to identify fair and affordable housing needs in the County. Because of the current public health crisis of Covid-19, HUD guidance allows public hearings to take place virtually.

Details of the Online Public Hearing are as follows:

**What:** Zoom Online Based Public Hearing  
**When:** Tuesday April 21, 2020 10:00 AM Eastern Time (US and Canada)  
**Topic:** Nassau County Five Year Consolidated Plan – 2nd Public Hearing  
**How to Attend:** Please click the link below to join the Public Hearing  
<https://zoom.us/j/3123067888>

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 Meeting ID: 312 306 7888  
 Closed Captioning Available  
 Spanish Language Translation Available

All citizens, non-profit organizations and other interested parties are invited to attend and provide input and comments. Written comments should be forwarded to the address provided below. For further information including additional reasonable accommodation requests and additional language interpretation services, please contact Theresa Dukes at the Office of Community Development (516) 572-1924. Visit our website at: <https://www.housing.ny.gov/1524/Community-Development>

NASSAU COUNTY OFFICE OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT  
 KEVIN J. CREAN, DIRECTOR  
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LAURA CURRAN, COUNTY EXECUTIVE

**Aviso de audiencia pública  
Plan Consolidado Quinquenal del Condado de Nassau  
Año Fiscal Federal 2020**

La Oficina de Desarrollo Comunitario del Condado de Nassau (NC OCD) es la agencia administrativa del Programa de Subvenciones para Bloques de Desarrollo Comunitario (CDBG, por sus siglas en inglés) del Departamento de Vivienda y Desarrollo Urbano (HUD, por sus siglas en el Departamento de Vivienda y Desarrollo Urbano (HUD), el Programa de Asociaciones de Inversión en Hogar (HOME) y el Programa de Subvenciones de Soluciones de Emergencia (ESG, por sus siglas en). Estos programas están destinados a apoyar los objetivos de proporcionar un ambiente de vida adecuado, una vivienda asequible decente y ampliar las oportunidades económicas para las personas de ingresos bajos a moderados.

Como condición para recibir los fondos federales mencionados anteriormente para el año fiscal federal 2020, los requisitos de HUD estipulan que el CDO NC debe preparar un Plan Consolidado Quinquenal que describa las necesidades de vivienda y desarrollo comunitario del Condado junto con un Plan Estratégico para abordar esas necesidades durante el período de cinco años. El Plan Consolidado Quinquenal del Condado, que incluye un Plan de Vivienda Justa (Análisis de Impedimentos), cubrirá el período 2020-2024.

Como parte del proceso de preparación de su Plan Consolidado Quinquenal, el OCD del Condado de Nassau llevará a cabo una segunda audiencia pública el martes 21 de abril de 2020 a las 10:00 am. El propósito de la audiencia es identificar las necesidades de vivienda justas y asequibles en el Condado. Debido a la actual crisis de salud pública de Covid-19, la orientación de HUD permite audiencias públicas virtualmente.

Los detalles de la audiencia pública en línea son los siguientes:

**Qué:** Zoom Online Based Public Hearing  
**Cuándo:** Martes 21 abr 21, 2020 10:00 AM Hora del Este (EE.UU. y Canadá)  
**Temas:** Plan Consolidado de Cinco Años del Condado de Nassau – 2ª Audiencia Pública  
**Cómo asistir:** Por favor, haga clic en el siguiente enlace para unirse a la Audiencia Pública  
<https://zoom.us/j/3123067888>

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 Subtítulos cerrados disponibles  
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Se invita a todos los ciudadanos, organizaciones sin fines de lucro y otras partes interesadas a asistir y proporcionar comentarios. Los comentarios escritos deben enviarse a la dirección que se indica a continuación. Para obtener más información, incluidos los servicios de interpretación de idiomas y los servicios de interpretación de idiomas, por favor contacte a Theresa Dukes en la Oficina de Desarrollo Comunitario (516) 572-1924. Visite nuestro sitio web en: <https://www.housing.ny.gov/1524/Community-Development>

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# NASSAU COUNTY OCD FY 2020 PUBLIC HEARING ON CD & HOUSING NEEDS



**Tuesday, April 21, 2020**

Laura Curran  
*Nassau County Executive*

Kevin J. Crean  
*OCD Director*

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## **Nassau Urban County Consortium**

Entitlement community under the  
U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development's  
Consolidation Programs

The Consortium receives annual allocations of funding  
under the following programs:

- \$ Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG)
- \$ HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME)
- \$ Emergency Solutions Grants Program (ESG)

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NASSAU COUNTY CONSORTIUM MEMBER MUNICIPALITIES

**TOWNS (3)**

Hempstead  
North Hempstead  
Oyster Bay

**CITIES (2)**

Glen Cove  
Long Beach

**VILLAGES (25)**

Bayville	Manorhaven
Bellerose	Massapequa Park
Cedarhurst	Mineola
East Rockaway	New Hyde Park
Farmingdale	Rockville Centre
Floral Park	Roslyn
Freeport	Sea Cliff
Great Neck Plaza	South Floral Park
Hempstead	Stewart Manor
Island Park	Valley Stream
Lynbrook	Westbury
Malverne	Williston Park

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**Five-Year Consolidated Plan**

HUD Merged Separate  
Application/Funding Cycles into  
Coordinated Process

1<sup>st</sup> - FFY 2000 - 2004

2<sup>nd</sup> - FFY 2005 - 2009

3<sup>rd</sup> - FFY 2010 - 2014

4<sup>th</sup> - FFY 2015 - 2019

5<sup>th</sup> - FFY 2020 - 2024

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## Five-Year Consolidated Plan

Collaborative Process aimed at identifying a unified vision for community development actions to be undertaken during the Five Year Period

### Includes:

- ▶ Executive Summary
- ▶ Process (Consultation and Citizen Participation)
- ▶ Needs Assessment
- ▶ Housing Market Analysis
- ▶ Five-Year Strategic Plan
  - Establishes priorities and goals for Five-Year Period
- ▶ Annual Plan
  - Activity/Project Information for Year 1

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## Five-Year Consolidated Plan

Meetings With Various Stakeholders to Assess:  
Housing & Community Development Needs

Homeless

Non-Homeless

Special Needs

Housing Authorities

Barriers to Fair & Affordable Housing

Community Development Needs

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## **Five-Year Consolidated Plan**

Purpose of today's hearing:

Solicit comment on proposed:

1. Housing & Community Development Needs
2. County Priorities and Goals for Five-Year Period (FY2020-2024)

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## **2020 Funding Allocations**

**\$ CDBG Program - \$14,491,950**

**\$ HOME Program - \$2,456,284**

**\$ ESG Program - \$1,232,545**

**Program Year Start Date: September 1, 2020**

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## Housing Needs

### Priority Need Categories

- **HIGH PRIORITY** – The County plans to use funds made available for activities that address this need during the Current 5-Year (FY2020-24) Consolidated Plan period
- **MEDIUM PRIORITY** – The County may use funds made available for activities that address this need during the Current 5-Year (FY2020-24) Consolidated Plan period. Also, the County will take other actions to assist this group locate other resources.

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## Housing Needs

### Priority Need Categories

- **LOW PRIORITY** – The County does not plan to use funds made available for activities that address this need during the Current 5-Year (FY2020-24) Consolidated Plan period, but will consider issuing Certifications of Consistency for other entities wishing to apply for federal funding. Also, the County will take other actions to assist this group locate other resources.
- **NO SUCH NEED** – The County finds there is no need, or that this need is already substantially addressed.

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## Housing Needs PRIORITY NEEDS

- Rehabilitation of Substandard Housing
- Assist Cost Burdened Households
- Address Homeless Needs
- Address Non-Homeless Special Needs
- Rehabilitation of Public Housing Units
- Preservation & Development of Affordable Housing

Very Low Income – up to 30% AMI

Low Income – up to 50% AMI

Moderate Income – up to 80% AM

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## Community Development Needs PRIORITY NEEDS

- Jobs/Economic Development
- Revitalization of Downtowns & Areas Near Transit
- Public Facility Improvements
- Public Services
  - Senior Citizen Services
  - Mental Health & Substance Abuse Services
  - Job Training & Placement Services

Re-Entry Population

Displaced Workers & Under Educated

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## Strategic Plan Goals

- Expansion of Housing through New Construction – Rental
- Expansion of Housing through New Construction – Homeownership
- Direct Homeownership Assistance
- Owner Occupied Housing Rehabilitation and Lead Paint Abatement
- Substantial Rehabilitation for Homeownership
- Rehabilitation of Rental Housing
- Expansion of Housing for Special Needs Populations
- Expansion of Housing for Very Low or Extremely Low Income Persons

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## Strategic Plan Goals CONTINUED

- Housing Support Services
  - Homeless Persons – Overnight Shelter
  - Homeless Prevention
  - Rapid Re-Housing
  - Low/Mod Income Households
  - Fair Housing, Housing Counseling
- Provision of Services for Special Needs Population
- Provision of General Public Services

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## Strategic Plan Goals CONTINUED

- Public Facility & Improvements
  - Downtown Streetscape & Open Space Improvements
  - Community & Senior Center Upgrades
  - Accessibility Improvements at Public Buildings
- Upgrade the Physical Condition of Local Businesses
- Elimination of Blight through Demolition or Brownfield Remediation
- Housing Code Enforcement
- Economic Development
- Administration and Planning
- Section 108 Loan Repayment

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## Housing Needs

- Nassau County can also support applications by for-profit and non-profit housing developers for state and federal assistance
  - Federal Applications require a
    - “Certification of Consistency” with the County’s Consolidated Plan

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## Other Federal Requirements

- ❖ Fair Housing Act
- ❖ National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA)
- ❖ Davis-Bacon Wage Rates
- ❖ Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act
- ❖ HUD Lead-Based Paint Regulations

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## Consolidated Planning Process

### Important Dates:

May 1 <sup>st</sup>	DRAFT Consolidated Plan Released
May 1 <sup>st</sup> – 30 <sup>th</sup>	30-Day Comment Period
May 6 <sup>th</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup> & Final Public Hearing
June 8 <sup>th</sup> & 29 <sup>th</sup>	NC Legislature Considers Plan
July 12 <sup>th</sup>	Consolidated Plan Submitted to HUD
Sep 1 <sup>st</sup>	2020 Program Year Start Date

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# Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act

## Community Development Block Grant (CDBG-CV)

- ❖ April 7th - HUD informed County of its allocation under the formula component of the CARES Act Community Development Block Grant Coronavirus (CDBG-CV) funding
- ❖ \$8,525,089 CDBG-CV
- ❖ \$4,250,155 ESG-CV

# Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act

## CDBG-CV AMENDED HUD ACTION PLAN ALLOCATION CATEGORIES

Project Title	Allocation
<b>PUBLIC SERVICES</b>	<b>\$7,545,089.00</b>
Food Banks (05W)	\$1,000,000.00
Health Services (05M)	\$600,000.00
Mental Health (05O) & Substance Abuse (05F)	\$600,000.00
Employment Training (05H)	\$200,000.00
Child Care Services (05L)	\$200,000.00
Tenant/Landlord Counseling (05K) & Legal Services (05C)	\$100,000.00
Other Eligible Public Services	\$345,089.00
<b>Economic Development</b>	<b>\$2,000,000.00</b>
<b>Public Facility Improvement Projects</b>	<b>\$2,500,000.00</b>
OCD Administration	\$250,000.00
OCD Project Delivery	\$80,000.00
Planning	\$650,000.00
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>\$8,525,089.00</b>

# Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act

## ESG-CV AMENDED HUD ACTION PLAN ALLOCATION CATEGORIES

Project Title	Allocation
Homeless Prevention	\$1,475,000.00
Emergency Shelter Operations & Services	\$2,000,000.00
OCD Administration	\$425,015.00
ESG Project Delivery - Homeless Prevention Program	\$350,140.00
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>\$4,250,155.00</b>

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## Public Comment

Public comment is requested for:

1. Housing Needs in Nassau County
2. Priority Housing Needs
3. Community Development Needs

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2. Priority Housing Needs
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Written comments may be submitted to:

Kevin J. Crean, Director  
Nassau County Office of Community Development  
1 West Street - Suite 365  
Mineola, NY 11501  
[Kcrean@nassaucountyny.gov](mailto:Kcrean@nassaucountyny.gov)

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Nassau County Second Public Hearing Comments  
Zoom Meeting – April 21, 2020

Needs Assessment Virtual Public Hearing

Attendees: – NC OCD

- › Kevin Crean – NC OCD
- › Theresa Dukes – NC OCD
- › Angel Macchia – NC OCD
- › Celia Camacho – NC OCD
- › Donald Crosley – NC OCD
- › Norman Gersman – NC OCD
- › Gina Martini – VHB Consultants
- › Jill Gallant – VHB Consultants
- › Elyse Belarge – VHB Consultants
- › 71 plus 10 presenters

Public Comment Notes:

- › **CARES Act Info → \$2.5 million for PF & I**

**Comment: Leo Meyers, State Senator Todd Kaminsky’s Office:** When pointing organizations and agencies toward funding sources, where can we find the application for funding?

**Response: Kevin Crean, Director OCD:** It is online on the County’s website. Deadline is May 1, 2020

**Comment: Ann Fangmann, Executive Director, City of Glen Cove CDA:** Can CDBG-CV funds be used as a local match for FEMA projects?

**Response: Kevin Crean, Director OCD:** Yes.

**Comment: Ann Fangmann, Executive Director, City of Glen Cove CDA:** The City is participating in a FEMA program trying to get people back to work and it requires a 25% local match. City Comptroller is wondering what funds they can leverage to match. The project is putting up plexiglass barriers between the public and city hall staff in order to open city hall to the public. Because funds can be reimbursed retroactively, can municipalities apply to funds after the work is complete?

**Response: Kevin Crean, Director OCD:** That is the intent for COVID funds. The County has not received much guidance from HUD. Unsure what is defined as ‘retroactive’? HUD cannot waive environmental review requirements

**Comment: Elissa Kyle, Vision Long Island, Farmingdale:** Are plexiglass barriers eligible for PF & I funding?

**Response: Kevin Crean, Director OCD:** If it is between the public and staff, yes. If it is between staff members, no.

**Comment: Allison Blanchett, Long Beach, LI Streets:** Here as a representative of a coalition of groups that serve seniors and other at-risk populations. Where should organizations be applying to for funds and is there more flexibility for new funds?

**Response: Kevin Crean, Director OCD:** There is no more flexibility than there was before, the same rules apply

- If an organization primarily serves one municipality, the County usually recommends applying through that municipality for COVID funds, but now the County is trying to get funds directly to organizations.
- If an organization has never received funds as a County vendor, it will be a bit more time consuming because there are processes organizations need to go through in order to be listed as a vendor.
- In this case, it may be quicker to go through municipalities.

**Comment: Charlene Thompson, Commissioner, Village of Hempstead CDA:** What is the spend down timeline?

**Response: Kevin Crean, Director OCD:** HUD guidelines say at least 2 years. The County has set theirs at 3 to add a cushion

**Comment: Patricia Shea, ESG Subrecipient:** Without knowing which would be awarded, what guidance is there for applying to both CDBG-CV and FEMA funds?

**Response: Kevin Crean, Director OCD:** It depends on the project. The County can advise if it has more details on the project

**Comment: Patricia Shea, ESG Subrecipient:** How can organizations and agencies find out which expenses and activities are eligible?

**Response: Kevin Crean, Director OCD:** The HUD Exchange website under Eligible ESG Program Costs for Infectious Disease Preparation

# Nassau County COVID-19 "CARES ACT" Funding Priorities Survey

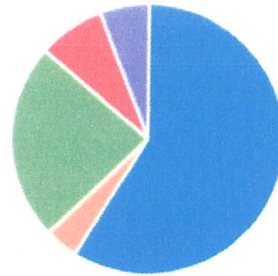
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194:26  
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1. Which best describes you/your organization? Please select one:

- Non-Profit Public Services Org... 30
- Non-Profit Shelter Provider 2
- Municipality 12
- For-Profit Organization 4
- Other 3



2. Please enter your Entity Name, Address, Website, Contact Person, Phone Number, and E-Mail Address below.

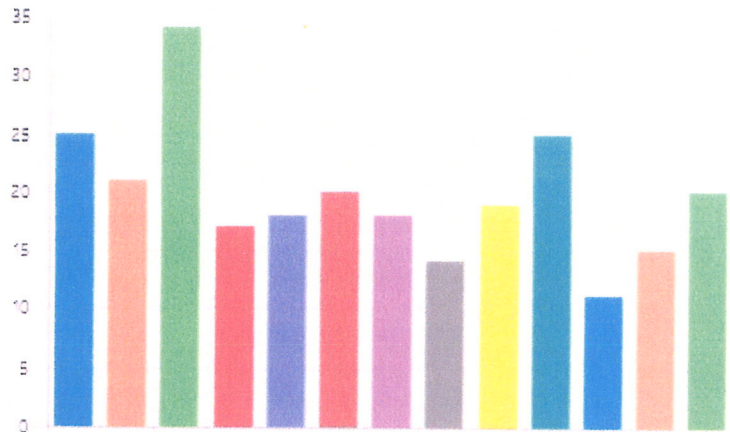
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Responses

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- "Circulo de la Hispanidad 26 West Park Avenue Long Beach, NY 11561 c...*
- "Community Development Corporation of Long Island 2100 Middle Coun...*
- "Tempo Group/Tempo Youth Services 112 Franklin Place Woodmere NY ...*

3. Which of the below priority needs do you identify as most urgent due to COVID-19? Check all that apply.

- Physical Health Services/Suppl... 25
- Homeless Needs 21
- Rent/Mortgage Relief 34
- Affordable Housing Options 17
- Foreclosure Prevention 18
- Business Assistance 20
- Mental Health Services 18
- Job Training 14
- Job Retention 19
- Economic Development (inclu... 25
- Providing Improvements (incl... 11
- Substance Abuse/Chemical D... 15
- Other 20



4. Are you/your organization presently assisting the residents or businesses of Nassau County in one of the above listed areas? If so, what additional services would assist your organization to better serve the residents/businesses of Nassau County during this crisis?

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Responses

Latest Responses

- "We are providing support to individuals in five central areas: domestic vi...
- "CDCLI currently provides the following services to residents of Nassau C...
- "yes - more protective gear and coordination of other community services."

5. Describe the specific activity or activities that would best meet the needs of Nassau County residents to alleviate the homelessness, economic, physical, affordable housing, and mental impacts of COVID-19.

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Responses

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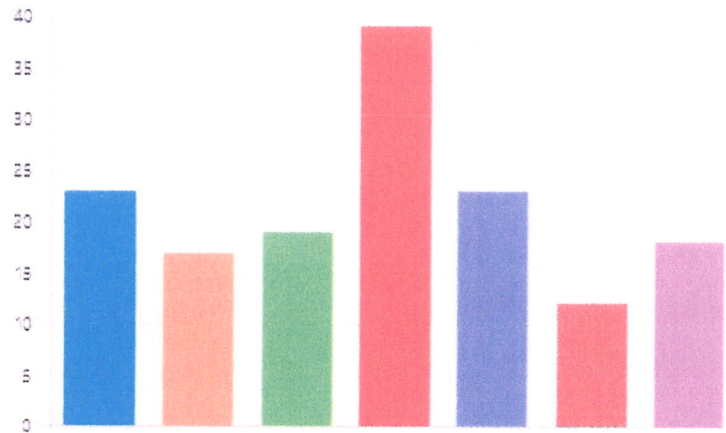
*"Rental assistance in the form of rental assistance payments, utility assist..."*

*"Forgivable loans for individuals to address mortgage and/or rent arrears..."*

*"Better coordination of community services"*

6. Which priorities would the activity or activities meet?

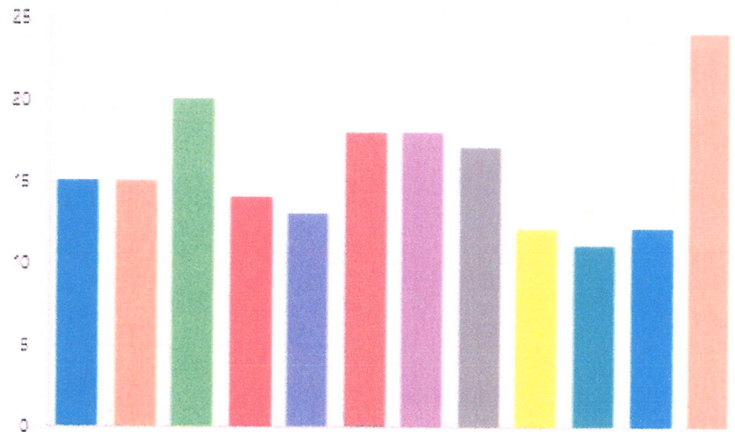
● Addressing Homelessness	23
● Creating Low to Moderate Inc...	17
● Building Economic/Business D...	19
● Servicing Low to Moderate Inc...	39
● Addressing Affordable Housin...	23
● Providing Improvements (incl...	12
● Other	18





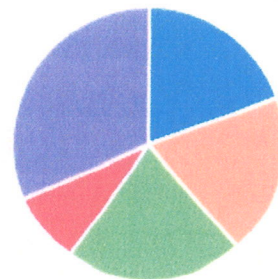
7. Choose the Public Services activity or activities your entity is undertaking or would like to undertake utilizing CDBG-CV funds.

● Food Banks	15
● Health Services	15
● Mental Health Services	20
● Substance Abuse/Chemical D...	14
● Services for Abused or Neglec...	13
● Senior Services	18
● Employment Training	18
● Subsistence Payments – one s...	17
● Security Deposits	12
● Transportation Services	11
● Housing Counseling	12
● Other	24



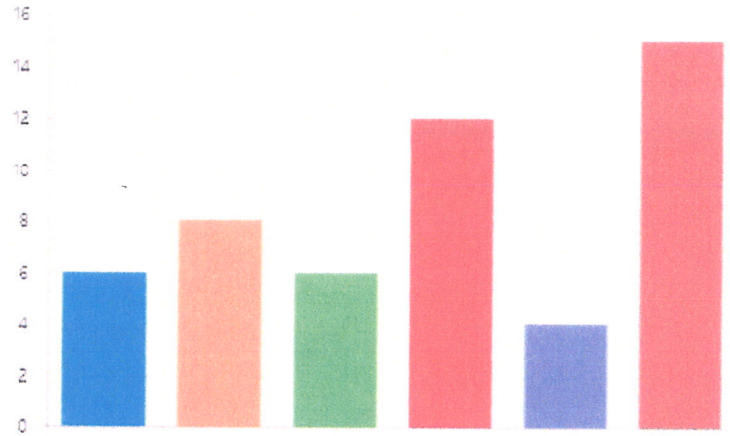
8. Choose the Economic Development activity or activities your entity is undertaking or would like to undertake utilizing CDBG-CV funds.

● Rehabilitation of Publicly or Pr...	11
● Direct Financial Assistance to ...	11
● Business Technical Assistance	12
● Micro-Enterprise Assistance	5
● Other	18



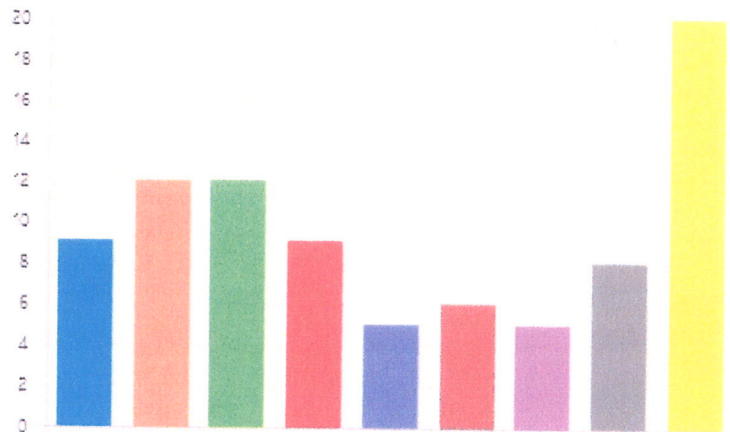
9. Choose the Affordable Housing activity or activities your entity is undertaking or would like to undertake utilizing CDBG-CV funds.

● Direct Homeownership Assista...	6
● Rehabilitation of Multi-Family ...	8
● Public Housing Modernization	6
● Acquisition and Rehabilitation...	12
● Rehabilitation of Section 8 Units	4
● Other	15



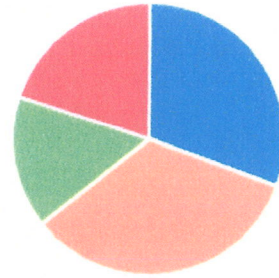
10. Choose the Public Facilities and Improvements activity or activities your entity is undertaking or would like to undertake utilizing CDBG-CV funds.

● Senior Centers	9
● Homeless Facilities	12
● Youth Centers	12
● Neighborhood Facilities (i.e. C...	9
● Water/Sewer Improvements	5
● Health Facilities	6
● Facilities for Abused and Negl...	5
● Handicapped Accessibility Im...	8
● Other	20



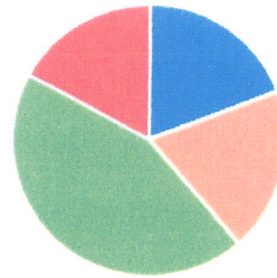
11. What HUD National Objective would this activity or activities meet?

- Low to Moderate Income Area... 29
- Low to Moderate Income Clie... 32
- Low to Moderate Income Jobs 15
- Low to Moderate Income Hou... 19



12. Choose the activity or activities your entity is undertaking or would like to undertake utilizing ESG-CV funds.

- Street Outreach 10
- Rapid-Rehousing 10
- Homeless Prevention 23
- Emergency Shelter 9



13. Will your proposed activity or activities be focused on assisting those at-risk of becoming homeless due to loss of income caused by COVID-19 business disruption? Describe how you will best meet homelessness needs.

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Responses

Latest Responses

*"Yes, we will focus on providing subsistence payments to individuals and f...*

*"Mobilizing funding quickly to individuals and businesses who are experie...*

14. Would your organization need to partner with another organization or governmental entity to undertake this project or service or can you address it independently?

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Responses

Latest Responses

*"We can operate independently for the subsistence and food distribution. ...*

*"CDCLI has a long history of partnerships with a cross section of governm...*

*"we need to partner"*

15. If you need to partner, please list the type of organization you would expect to collaborate with.

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Responses

Latest Responses

*"Construction companies"*

*"CDCLI stands ready through our current programs to be a partner with o...*

*"food bank/food pantry"*

16. What solutions would the activities you are proposing have in alleviating the impact of COVID-19?

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Responses

Latest Responses

*"We propose to provide subsistence payments in the form of rental and u...*

*"Providing funding assistance to individuals and businesses will directly h...*

17. Please use this space to describe anything else you believe will help Nassau County in recovering from the effects of COVID-19.

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Responses

Latest Responses

*"In addition to direct subsistence relief, businesses and organizations also...*

*"The ability to provide assistance in a timely manner will be critical in mi...*

18. What amount of funding would your organization/municipality need to undertake the activity described above? An estimated or educated guess is sufficient.

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Responses

Latest Responses

*"\$250,000 for subsistence and food payments. We see this as a primary n...*

*"Administrative costs will vary depending on type of assistance to be prov...*

19. Questions regarding this COVID-19 funding initiative can be directed to: Kevin J. Crean, Director of Nassau County Office of Community Development 1 West Street, Suite 365 Mineola, NY 11501 (516) 572-1916 [kcrean@nassaucountyny.gov](mailto:kcrean@nassaucountyny.gov)

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