

SAN MATEO COUNTY
DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING

Notice of Substantial Amendment to San Mateo County 2019 Annual Action Plan for the Community Development Block Grant Coronavirus (CDBG-CV) funds.

On or about August 17, 2020, San Mateo County intends to submit the following substantial amendment to the U.S Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD):

A substantial amendment to its 2019 Annual Action Plan. The substantial amendment is needed to add the following activity that will be provided through the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act, which was signed into law on March 27, 2020 to prevent, prepare for, and respond to the coronavirus pandemic (COVID-19): the County will use its CDBG-CV allocation of \$1,570,647 to provide emergency financial assistance to individuals and households who are unable to pay rent due to COVID-19.

Interested parties are invited to submit comments on the above action to Tracy Choi at tchoi@smchousing.org. All comments are due by August 17, 2020.

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Background:

On April 2, 2020, HUD made the first special allocation (Round 1) to the County of San Mateo Department of Housing (DOH) in the amount of \$1,570,637 in CDBG-CV funds and \$799,531 in ESG-CV funds to be used to prevent, prepare for and respond to the coronavirus pandemic (COVID-19).

On June 9, 2020, HUD made a second allocation (Round 2) to the County of San Mateo Department of Housing (DOH) in the amount of \$5,144,656 in ESG-CV funds to be used to prevent, prepare for and respond to COVID-19.

On June 30, 2020, the Board of Supervisors held a public hearing and authorized a substantial amendment to the San Mateo County Community Participation Plan and a substantial amendment to the County's 2018-2022 Consolidated Plan for the federal CDBG, HOME, and ESG programs related to the (CARES) Act.

On August 4, 2020, the Board of Supervisors authorized the contribution of \$2,000,000 to the County's Emergency Financial Assistance Program, comprised of CDBG-CV funds and other funds determined by the County Manager for the provision of emergency rent assistance grants to tenants unable to pay rent due to COVID-19.