

CITY OF PLANO
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING AND COMMENT FOR 2024-2025 ACTION PLAN
FOR THE USE OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT AND
HOME INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIPS PROGRAM GRANT FUNDS, AND SUBSTANTIAL
AMENDMENT TO THE 2019-2020 ACTION PLAN
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ACTION PLAN

In October 2024, the City of Plano anticipates receiving from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), \$1,557,300 in Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds and \$521,594 in HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME) funds. The City also anticipates receiving \$100,000 in CDBG program income and \$20,000 in HOME program income during the period of October 1, 2024 to September 30, 2025 (Grant Year 2024).

The purpose of the CDBG and HOME programs is to support and perform activities that primarily benefit low- and moderate-income persons. Total HUD funds in the amount of \$2,363,246 will be used to fund activities during Grant Year (GY) 2024. Included in this amount is \$134,974 of previously unallocated GY 2023 CDBG entitlement funds, and \$196,865 of previously unallocated GY 2023 HOME entitlement funds. An additional \$147,487 in GY 2024 CDBG and \$78,239 in GY 2024 HOME funds were not allocated by the Community Relations Commission (CRC) and will be used to fund activities during Grant Year 2024. Based on the goals and objectives of the City's HUD Consolidated Plan, the CRC has recommended the following CDBG and HOME activities:

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1.	Housing Rehabilitation	Proposed Amount	CDBG:	\$882,245
			CDBG Program Income:	\$100,000
			HOME:	\$162,548
			HOME Program Income:	\$20,000
This program provides low-interest rehabilitation and reconstruction loans to low- and moderate-income renter and owner-occupied households. Terms of loans are based on need and ability to repay. The program also provides for emergency repair grants and acquisition, rehabilitation, and resale of single-family homes to low- and moderate-income homebuyers. The program is administered at 777 E. 15 th Street, Plano, TX 75074, and activity locations are city-wide.				
2.	First Time Homebuyer Assistance and Education	Proposed Amount	CDBG:	\$8,000
This program provides down payment and closing cost assistance to low- and moderate-income families purchasing homes in Plano. Assistance amount is based on the buyer's level of income and requires completion of homeownership counseling. The allocation provides program administration funds to provide the Homebuyer Education Class and administer First Time Homebuyer assistance. The program is administered at 777 E. 15 th Street, Plano, TX 75074, and activity locations are city-wide.				
3.	Homelessness Prevention	Proposed Amount	CDBG:	\$122,000
This program will provide rent or mortgage payments and utility assistance for low-income families in Plano who are at risk of homelessness. The activity is located at and administered by the Assistance Center of Collin County at 900 18th Street, Plano, TX 75074.				
4.	City House Inc.	Proposed Amount	CDBG:	\$27,120
This program will provide supportive services including case management, counseling, and transitional housing to young adults ages 18-21. The program location is confidential.				
5.	Texas Muslim Women's Foundation	Proposed Amount	CDBG:	\$33,039
This program will provide supportive services including case management, counseling, emergency shelter, and transitional housing to women who are victims of domestic violence. The program location is confidential.				
6.	The Samaritan Inn	Proposed Amount	CDBG:	\$55,065
This program will provide supportive services including case management, counseling, and transitional shelter to unsheltered individuals and families. The activity location is at 1514 N McDonald St, McKinney, TX 75071.				
7.	The Family Place	Proposed Amount	CDBG:	\$11,371
This program will provide individual and group therapy sessions to domestic violence survivors receiving shelter services. The program location is confidential.				
8.	Habitat for Humanity of Collin County	Proposed Amount	CDBG:	\$94,487
			HOME:	\$405,513
This program will provide weatherization, accessibility, and exterior home repairs, as well as new home construction to low- and moderate-income homeowners. The program is administered at 2060 Couch Drive, McKinney, TX 75069, and activity locations are citywide.				

9.	Grant Administration	Proposed Amount	CDBG:	\$311,460
			HOME:	\$52,159
Grant administration includes planning, coordination, and monitoring of the CDBG and HOME programs, as well as fair housing promotion, services, and counseling. The activity location is 777 E. 15 th Street, Plano, TX 75074.				
10.	Affordable Housing Expansion	Proposed Amount	HOME:	\$78,239
Activities may include: Purchasing and developing residential lots for new construction of affordable housing units; acquisition, rehabilitation and resale; and homeowner-occupied housing rehabilitation. All activities will serve low- and moderate-income families. No CHDOs received funding for Grant Year 2024.				
TOTAL CDBG and HOME RECOMMENDED: \$2,363,246				

It is estimated that at least 95% of all funds to be expended will benefit low- and moderate-income persons. None of the proposed CDBG and HOME activities are expected to directly or indirectly result in the displacement of persons. Should any displacement occur, the City has a plan to assist displaced persons that conforms to the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act.

PROPOSED SUBSTANTIAL AMENDMENT TO THE 2019-2020 ACTION PLAN

They City of Plano proposes a substantial amendment to its 2019-2020 Action Plan for the use of the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD funds). The purpose of this amendment is for the additional use of Community Development Block Grant – Corona Virus (CDBG-CV) funds made available under the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES Act) (Public Law No. 116-136).

Approximately \$865,000 in CDBG-CV funds, previously set-aside for rent and utility assistance remain unspent due to the reduction/elimination of need due to COVID-19. These funds must be expended by September 30, 2026, on eligible activities. CDBG-CV funds may be utilized on activities that:

1. Prevent, Prepare for or Respond (PPR) to Coronavirus;
2. Do not result in a duplication of benefit (Duplication of benefit occurs when a person, household, business or other entity receives financial assistance from multiple sources for the same purpose and the total assistance is more than the total need); and
3. Meet underwriting criteria for special economic development activities.

These funds will be used in the current GY 2023-2024 and GY 2024-2025, to rehabilitate residential properties owned by non-profits operating as transitional living shelters located within Plano. There are seventeen residential properties owned and operated by six nonprofit organizations in Plano operating as transitional living facilities for Plano's unhoused children, women, and youth. The CDBG-CV funds would be used to rehabilitate these homes and assist them in becoming more energy efficient.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

A public comment period will be open from July 1, 2024 to July 30, 2024. The public may review the Action Plan and Substantial Amendment to the 2019-2020 Action Plan in-person at the Neighborhood Services Department, 777 E. 15th Street, Plano, TX 75074. City department office hours are 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. The Action Plan and Substantial Amendment to the 2019-2020 Action Plan may also be reviewed online at <https://plano.gov/923/Grant-Funding-for-Nonprofits> under the "Federal Grants" tab.

Comments regarding the Action Plan and Substantial Amendment to the 2019-2020 Action Plan should be directed to Sandra Ottinger, Community Services Grants Administrator, 777 E. 15th Street, Plano, TX 75074, Phone: (972) 208-8150, Email: sottinger@plano.gov. Comments received by 5:00 p.m. on Monday, July 22, 2024, will be provided to City Council. Comments may also be made at the public hearing (see below).

PUBLIC HEARING

The Action Plan and Substantial Amendment to the 2019-2020 Action Plan will be reviewed by City Council, and the public may comment at a public hearing on Monday, July 22, 2024, to be held at 7:00 p.m. in the Davis Library, 7501-B Independence Parkway, Plano, TX 75025.

ACCESSIBILITY STATEMENT

The City of Plano encourages participation from all citizens. The facility has accessible restroom facilities, drinking fountains, and power assist entrance doors. The facility is easily accessed from public sidewalks and parking areas, with designated accessible parking nearby. If you require additional assistance or reasonable accommodations under the Americans with Disabilities Act for this meeting or facility, including ASL interpreters, you should submit an ADA Reasonable Accommodation Request Form to the ADA Coordinator at least 48 hours in advance. If you need assistance completing the form, please call 972-941-7152. Complete or download the ADA Reasonable Accommodation Request Form at <https://www.plano.gov/395/Accessibility-Accommodations>.

