



PUBLIC NOTICE  
**REQUEST FOR PUBLIC COMMENTS**



**CITY OF BROWNSVILLE**  
**2020-2021 One Year Action Plan**  
**Comment Period: June 29, 2020 – July 6, 2020**

***PUBLIC NOTICE: THE GENERAL PUBLIC IS INVITED TO REVIEW AND COMMENT ON DOCUMENT "2020-2021 ONE-YEAR ACTION PLAN" AND MAKE SUGGESTIONS REGARDING THE USE AND ALLOCATION OF FEDERAL FUNDS RECEIVED BY BROWNSVILLE. YOUR SUGGESTIONS AND COMMENTS MAY BE DELIVERED BETWEEN June 29, 2020 AND NO LATER THAN July 6, 2020. For more information about this notice, please call (956) 548-6167. For telephone access for people with speech or hearing loss, please call 1-800-RELAY-TX. Please provide 2-3 days' notice so that proper accommodations can be provided.***

Notice is hereby given that the City of Brownsville has prepared its 2020 - 2021 One-Year Action Plan (budget) for CDBG, ESG, and HOME programs. The purpose of this notice is to obtain comments on the City of Brownsville's proposed 2020 -2021 One-Year Action Plan (OYAP). Available funding is as follows:

• Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)	\$ 2,715,934.00
• HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME)	\$ 909,622.00
• Emergency Shelter Grant (ESG)	\$ 237,580.00
<b>TOTAL FUNDS:</b>	<b>\$ 3,863,136.00</b>

The City of Brownsville will submit its 2020 - 2021 One-Year Action Plan to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development San Antonio Field Office (HUD), Region VI, Office of Community Planning & Development, H.F. Garcia Federal Building/U.S. Courthouse, 615 E. Houston Street, Suite 347, San Antonio, Texas 78205, on or about August 15, 2020. HUD will review the One-Year Action Plan and is expected to approve the Plan by October 1, 2020. **All proposed activities' budgets will be proportionally decreased or increased from the estimated funding levels to match actual allocation amounts. All proposed activities are contingent upon funding availability, eligibility, and environmental clearance, amongst other HUD program requirements.**

2020-2021 Program Year (PY) - One Year Action Plan		
<b>Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)</b>		<b>\$ 2,715,934.00</b>
<b>Agency</b>	<b>Activity</b>	<b>Budget</b>
City of Brownsville	21H - General CDBG Administration (20% of PY 2020)	\$ 543,186.80
<b>COB Administration Total:</b>		<b>\$ 543,186.80</b>
<b>Public Services</b>		
Planned Parenthood	05M- Health Services	\$20,000.00
Brownsville Society for Crippled Children/Moody Clinic	05B-Rehabilitation Services to Children with Special Needs	\$25,000.00
CASA of Cameron and Willacy Counties	05N- Court Appointed Special Advocates	\$42,000.00
Sunshine Haven, Inc.	05M-Palliative Care	\$100,000.00
Tip of Texas Family Outreach Center	05L- Child Care Services	\$15,000.00
Amigos Del Valle	05A - Senior Services	\$25,000.00
<b>Public Services Total:</b>		<b>\$227,000.00</b>

<b>Public Facilities and Improvements</b>		
City of Brownsville – Public Works/ Engineering	<b>03K-</b> Street Improvements Project	\$ 1,695,747.20
City of Brownsville- Planning and Redevelopment	<b>14A-</b> Historic District Revitalization Project	\$ 250,000.00
<b>Public Facilities and Improvements Total</b>		<b>\$1,945,747.20</b>
		<b>CDBG Total:</b>
		<b>\$ 2,715,934.00</b>
<b>HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME)</b>		<b>\$ 909,622.00</b>
<b>Agency</b>	<b>Activity</b>	<b>Budget</b>
City of Brownsville	HOME General Administration ( 10% of PY 2020)	\$ 90,962.20
Brownsville Affordable Homeownership Corp. (BAHC)	Energy Efficient Homes- New Construction (CHDO 15%)	\$ 330,000.00
Housing Authority of the City of Brownsville	Homebuyer Assistance Program	\$ 188,659.80
Community Development Corporation of Brownsville	Homebuyer Assistance Program	\$300,000.00
<b>HOME Total:</b>		<b>\$909,622.00</b>
<b>Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG)</b>		<b>\$ 237,580.00</b>
<b>Agency</b>	<b>Activity</b>	<b>Budget</b>
City of Brownsville	ESG General Administration (2.45% of PY 2020)	\$ 5,818.50
Friendship of Women, Inc.	Emergency Shelter	\$ 40,000.00
Friendship of Women, Inc.	Homeless Management Information System (HMIS)	\$ 10,000.00
Friendship of Women, Inc.	Rapid Re-Housing	\$ 35,000.00
Bishop Enrique San Pedro Ozanam Shelter	Homeless Management Information System (HMIS)	\$ 10,000.00
Bishop Enrique San Pedro Ozanam Shelter	Emergency Shelter	\$ 57,000.00
Good Neighbor Settlement House	Street Outreach	\$ 35,000.00
Good Neighbor Settlement House	Homeless Management Information System (HMIS)	\$ 10,000.00
Catholic Charities	Rapid Re-Housing	\$ 34,761.50
<b>ESG Total:</b>		<b>\$ 237,580.00</b>

A full description of the listed projects will be made available to any interested party throughout the 5-day comment period. The 2020 - 2021 One-Year Action Plan may be viewed online at <https://www.cob.us/2112/Public-Notice> . Interested parties are encouraged to submit written comments on the proposed One-Year Action Plan for a 5-day period beginning **Monday, June 29, 2020** and ending at **5:00p.m. Monday, July 6, 2020**. The public may submit their electronic comment using the following Survey Monkey link: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/ANNUALACTIONPLAN2020-2021>. Any interested party may also submit their written comments to Mr. Efen Trujillo Jr., Assistant Director of Office of Strategic Initiatives, RE: Annual Action Plan Input, 1150 E. Adams Street, 3rd Floor, Brownsville, TX 78520; Phone: (956) 548-6167; e-mail: [efren.trujillo@cob.us](mailto:efren.trujillo@cob.us); fax: (956) 548-6161. In Response to COVID-19, HUD has issued a memorandum of waivers for certain regulatory requirements associated with several CPD grant programs to prevent spread of COVID-19 and to facilitate assistance to eligible communities and households impacted economically by COVID-19. The 30-day minimum for the required public comment is waived, provided that no fewer than 5 days are provided public comments. To avoid large gatherings and to avoid the spread of COVID-19, the City will hold public hearings virtually.

### **Public Hearings**

In addition to the 5-day comment period, two (2) Virtual Public Hearings on the Proposed One-Year Action Plan will take place:

**First Meeting:** Residents of Brownsville may log in via Webex with the following

link: <https://brownsville.webex.com/brownsville/j.php?MTID=m0d3c057f7a26bf8fe839562105d4d125> or call 1-408-18-9388, access code 146 010 4609, for virtual hearing, Monday, June 29, 2020 at 5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

**Second Meeting:** Residents of Brownsville may log in via Webex with the following

link: <https://brownsville.webex.com/brownsville/j.php?MTID=m17c71ad4cfe9a1df0bd9b8ce7e50010c> or call 1-408-18-9388, access code 146 857 3477, for virtual hearing, Wednesday, July 1, 2020 at 2:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.

The City of Brownsville does not discriminate on the basis of disability in the admission of, access to, treatment of, or employment in its programs, activities, or public meetings. If language assistance is needed for Non-English speaking individuals, please contact (956) 548-6167. Any individual with a disability in need of an accommodation is encouraged to contact the ADA Coordinator at (956) 548-6037. For telephone access for people with speech or hearing loss, please call 1-800-RELAY-TX. Please provide 2-3 days' notice so that proper accommodations can be provided.