



Town of Barnstable

Planning & Development Department

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HYANNIS, MA – Public Review and Comment Period. The Town of Barnstable Planning and Development Department is accepting comments on substantial amendment to the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) 2019 Action Plan.

The purpose of the amendment is to submit an application to HUD for **\$513,935** in CDBG-CV3 Cares Act funding. This is in addition to the \$168,324 of CDBG-CV Cares Act funds received in July 2020. We are seeking input from residents of Barnstable on the use of the additional \$513,593.

Complying with the flexibilities provided under the Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Securities (CARES) Act the Town will accept comments for a period of not less than 5 days from this notice.

Please submit comments by email to kathleen.girouard@town.barnstable.ma.us with “CDBG Comments” in the subject line please. Comments received by **October 20, 2020** will be considered and included in submission to HUD.

Summary of the substantial amendment:

- \$513,935 CDBG-CV funds added as additional resources to 2019 program year
- The Town expects to waive the 15% public service cap for activities that prevent, prepare for or respond to COVID 19 as provided under the CARES Act
- The budget is as follows:

Project Categories	Estimated Amounts Available
Public Service Activities	\$138,000
Economic Development Activities	\$138,000
Housing Activities	\$138,000

All activities must prevent, prepare for, or respond to the coronavirus (COVID 19) through activities consistent with action plan goals including provision of public services, economic opportunities, public improvements and housing activities. Program administration is capped at 20% of the award

Priorities for public service activities to provide:

- Childcare
- Food security
- Services and housing for homeless persons, victims of domestic violence and other vulnerable populations
- Remote learning
- Microenterprise and small business assistance and job retention and creation programs for low moderate income (LMI) persons

Amended plan available on the town website: <https://townofbarnstable.us/departments/cdbg/>

CONTACT: Please submit comments or questions by email kathleen.girouard@town.barnstable.ma.us. If you don't have access to email you can leave a message with your name and call back number 508-862-4678 and someone will get back to you.