

**PASSAIC COUNTY**  
**SUBSTANTIAL AMENDMENT FOR CDBG FY 2019 ANNUAL ACTION PLAN**  
**UTILIZING CDBG CARES ACT FUNDS**

**CV3 – March 2022**

**RATIONALE FOR AMENDMENT**

“The Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act” (CARES) Act which was signed into law on March 27, 2020, provides funds through the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) and Housing Opportunities for Persons Living with HIV/AIDS (HOPWA) programs. The CARES Act provides for allocations of funds to prevent, prepare for, and respond to coronavirus.

The County of Passaic has been notified by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) that a special allocation of \$881,057 has been made to the County under the CARES Act, public law 116-136, through CDBG CV 3.

The County previously allocated these funds to provide wrap around services that will support the Department of Human Services program: Impact Passaic- Housing Security Initiative. This project will be cancelled. Other funds were utilized to provide services and rental assistance to households at risk of eviction.

The County proposes to utilize \$312,240 of CV 3 funds to fund three activities that serve residents of the 12 participating municipalities of the urban county. These activities include:

- CASA’s Neighborhood Assistance Program: \$111,768
- Oasis Meals Program: \$100,472
- Northeast New Jersey Legal Services: \$100,000

**PR-15 Summary of the citizen participation process**

HUD granted several waivers to program procedures to expedite the use of these funds. These waivers included an ability to amend the Citizen Participation Plan and allow for a shorter timeframe for public display, use of the internet to make the Substantial Amendment available to the public and use of virtual meetings to allow for input and comment. Passaic County advertised the Substantial Amendment for CDBG-CV3 on March 23, 2022 and made the Substantial Amendment available to the public for a period from **March 23, 2022 to March 29, 2022**. A public hearing, both virtual and in-person, was scheduled for March 29, 2022 at 12:00 p.m.

Comments received: **TBD**

**AP-15 – Resources**

The County received \$537,434 under CDBG CV 1 and an additional \$881,057 under CDBG CV3. The sum is reflected below. In addition, CDBG from FY 2020 was reallocated to a Covid-related activity with the CV1 allocation.

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-CV	HUD	Infrastructure, Services Administration	<b>1,418,491</b>			<b>1,418,491</b>		CARES Act funding for CDBG
CDBG	HUD	Public Services	<b>100,000</b>			<b>100,000</b>		

## AP-38 Project Summary

### Project Summary Information

The funds are being allocated to address the need of vulnerable populations.

<b>1</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	<b>CASA</b>
	<b>Target Area</b>	12 Participating Municipalities in the Urban County
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Public Services
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Public Services
	<b>Funding</b>	\$111,768
	<b>Description</b>	<b>Neighborhood Assistance Program:</b> Provide essential support to children, their families and caregivers who are involved with the Division of Child Protection and Permanency across the County. Provides formula, diapers, clothing, school supplies, face masks, hand sanitizers, and toiletries. The program's Open Door Store is open Monday through Friday during office hours; two evenings and on weekends. The program includes bilingual staff and offers specialized case management services providing information and access to economic, educational, and medical resources that address the effects of COVID-19. Bags of food and supplies are picked up by families at curbside.
	<b>Target Date</b>	6/30/2023
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	Public service activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 100 persons
	<b>Location Description</b>	415 Hamburg Turnpike, D-2, Wayne, NJ 07470
<b>Planned Activities</b>	Public Services	

<b>2</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	<b>Oasis Meals Program</b>
	<b>Target Area</b>	12 Participating Municipalities in the Urban County
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Public Services
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Public Services
	<b>Funding</b>	\$100,472
	<b>Description</b>	Oasis's Meals Program mitigates the impact of the pandemic and resulting food insecurity by providing hot and healthy breakfast and lunch five days a week. The program serves breakfast at 8:15 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. and lunch from 12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m. every weekday to impoverished women and children. Children participating in after-school programs are also served a hot and nutritious meal. The program offers large food bags full of non-perishable foods every other week (and more for those in dire need) to women and children.
	<b>Target Date</b>	6/30/2023
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	Public service activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 100 persons
	<b>Location Description</b>	59 Mill St., Paterson, NJ 07501
<b>Planned Activities</b>	Public Services	

<b>3</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	<b>Northeast New Jersey Legal Services</b>
	<b>Target Area</b>	12 Participating Municipalities in the Urban County
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Public Services
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Public Services
	<b>Funding</b>	\$100,000
	<b>Description</b>	The program's goal is to preserve and protect affordable housing by providing free legal representation to low-to-moderate income tenants and their families who are facing eviction, mortgage foreclosure, illegal lockout, housing discrimination, habitability concerns, disputes with public housing agencies, utility shutoffs, displacement, and the elimination of housing benefits. Legal assistance helps to ensure that all residents can maintain housing that is safe and affordable, enabling them and their families to remain in their homes and in their communities.
	<b>Target Date</b>	6/30/2023
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	Public service activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 30 persons
	<b>Location Description</b>	100 Hamilton Plaza, Suite 200, Paterson, NJ 07505
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	Public Services

<b>4</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	<del>CV3 – Impact Passaic – Housing Security Initiative</del> <b>Project Cancelled</b>
	<b>Target Area</b>	12 Participating Municipalities in the Urban County
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Services
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Services
	<b>Funding</b>	<del>\$831,057</del> <b>\$0</b>
	<b>Description</b>	<p>Funding that will support the Department of Human Services program: Impact Passaic-Housing Security Initiative.</p> <p>Proposed activities include: legal services to ensure that residents are not evicted; payment of utilities; and case management (identification of additional services required by at risk residents/families). Total Funding: \$881,057; Program Costs: \$831,057; Administration costs: \$50,000.</p>
	<b>Target Date</b>	TBD
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	N/A
	<b>Location Description</b>	12 Municipalities in the Urban County
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	Public Services