

**THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF STANISLAUS
BOARD ACTION SUMMARY**

DEPT: Planning and Community Development

BOARD AGENDA:7.2
AGENDA DATE: July 28, 2020

SUBJECT:

Approval to Close the 5-day Public Comment Period and Conduct a Public Hearing to Consider Approval of Substantial Amendment No. 2 to the Stanislaus Urban County's Fiscal Year 2015-2020 Consolidated Plan; Fiscal Year 2019-2020 Annual Action Plan; and Citizen Participation Plan

BOARD ACTION AS FOLLOWS:

RESOLUTION NO. 2020-0396

On motion of Supervisor Berryhill , Seconded by Supervisor Withrow
and approved by the following vote,
Ayes: Supervisors: Chiesa, Withrow, Berryhill, DeMartini and Chairwoman Olsen
Noes: Supervisors: None
Excused or Absent: Supervisors: None
Abstaining: Supervisor: None

- 1) Approved as recommended
- 2) Denied
- 3) Approved as amended
- 4) Other:

MOTION:

ATTEST: Elizabeth A. King
ELIZABETH A. KING, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

File No.

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CONSENT

CEO CONCURRENCE: YES

4/5 Vote Required: No

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STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

1. Close the 5-day public comment period and conduct a public hearing.
2. Approve Substantial Amendment No. 2 to the Stanislaus Urban County's Fiscal Year 2015-2020 Consolidated Plan (Con Plan); Fiscal Year 2019-2020 Annual Action Plan (AAP); and Citizen Participation Plan (CPP).
3. Authorize the Director of Planning and Community Development to sign and submit to the Federal Housing and Urban Development (HUD) the Applications for Federal Assistance (SF-424 and SF-424D), for Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security Act (CARES Act) funding and program certifications.
4. Authorize the Director of Planning and Community Development to execute any related program agreements, contracts, or other documentation required for implementation of CARES Act funding. This authorization includes the use of any program income in accordance with applicable program guidelines.
5. Authorize the Planning and Community Development Department to incorporate any comments received prior to the close of the public comment period and during the public hearing in the final documents and to make alterations to the documents as directed by HUD, provided alterations are technical in nature and do not alter the approved programs or funding allocations.

DISCUSSION:

Stanislaus County, in partnership with the cities of Ceres, Hughson, Newman, Oakdale, Patterson, Riverbank, and Waterford form the Stanislaus Urban County (hereafter referred to as the "Urban County") for purposes of receiving Federal Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program and Emergency Solutions Grants (ESG) Program funding. Stanislaus County is the "lead

entity” with responsibility for implementing and administering CDBG and ESG funding. Approval to amend the Consolidated Plan (Con Plan), Annual Action Plan (AAP), and Citizen Participation Plan (CPP) are necessary for the receipt of Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security Act (CARES Act) funding. The CARES Act has made available supplemental CDBG and ESG funding for grants to prevent, prepare for, and respond to the Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic.

The 2015-2020 Con Plan was prepared in partnership with the City of Turlock as a Consortium Con Plan. The City of Turlock and the Stanislaus Urban County together form the Stanislaus County HOME Consortium for the purpose of receiving HUD HOME Investment Partnership (HOME) Program funding. The City of Turlock is also a HUD entitlement jurisdiction receiving HUD CDBG funding, including supplemental CDBG CARES Act funding. The City of Turlock will be preparing a separate Con Plan amendment to address their CARES Act funding. The City of Riverbank joined the Stanislaus Urban County on July 1, 2020, and as such, is not included in the Con Plan and AAP proposed amendment; however, to the extent allowed under federal CDBG and ESG regulations, CARES Act funding will be made available to the residents of the City.

The Con Plan outlines the goals for utilizing CDBG, HOME, and ESG HUD Entitlement funds to assist low income households and persons in the areas of housing, public infrastructure, public services, and homeless assistance and prevention, for a five-year period for the Stanislaus Urban County.

Each AAP is an update to the Con Plan and is submitted on an annual basis throughout the five-year period, serving also as the annual application to HUD. The AAP identifies specific activities with assigned goals and accomplishments, to be funded during the year based on priorities laid out in the Con Plan.

In accordance with federal regulations, the Urban County’s CPP for HUD funding requires a minimum 30-day public comment period prior to Board of Supervisors consideration to approve and/or substantially amend the Con Plan, AAP or CPP. Given the need to expedite actions to respond to COVID-19 and the limitations on in-person public engagement, HUD has provided a waiver shortening the public comment period from 30-days to 5-days and allowing for alternative means of public engagement. HUD approved the County’s request for a Waiver on April 14, 2020.

The draft amendments to the Con Plan, AAP, and CPP were made available to the public on July 23, 2020 and a Notice of Public Hearing and Document Availability was published in The Modesto Bee on July 23, 2020. Notice was also distributed via the Stanislaus Community System of Care (CSoc) listserv email and sent to persons known to have an interest in the documents proposed to be amended. During the public comment period the documents were made available online at: <http://www.stancounty.com/planning/cdbg/plans-and-reports.shtm>.

Any public comments received will be presented to the Board of Supervisors at the July 28th public hearing.

Substantial Amendment Process

As required by federal regulations found at 24 CFR, section 91.105, a jurisdiction receiving federal funds must follow their adopted CPP, which sets forth the jurisdictions' policies and procedures for citizen participation with respect to HUD programs and the following documents:

- Citizen Participation Plan (CPP)
- Consolidated Plan (Con Plan)
- Annual Action Plan (AAP)
- Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER)
- Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing (AI)

The requirements for citizen participation do not restrict the responsibility or authority of the jurisdiction for the development and execution of the above-mentioned programs and documents, but rather facilitate citizen access to, and engagement with, the HUD funding process.

According to 24 CFR, section 91.505, an amendment to the Con Plan is required if a jurisdiction is making any changes to the allocation priorities, method of distribution, or changing the: purpose, scope, location, or beneficiaries of an activity. The Stanislaus Urban County's adopted CPP also requires a "Substantial Amendment" if changes to the AAP include any of the following:

- Addition of a new activity not previously identified in the AAP;
- Deletion or cancelation of an activity identified in the AAP which has not been deemed ineligible or determined to be infeasible (provided any allocated funds are transferred to another approved activity as part of a subsequent AAP approval); and,
- The addition of new CDBG Public Service and ESG award grantees.

HUD's distribution plan for CDBG and ESG CARES Act funding includes multiple phases: an initial phase that would allow for quick access to funding necessary to address the immediate crisis resulting from the rising pandemic, as well as later phases that would support post-pandemic community recovery. HUD has announced the allocation of two phases of CARES Act funding; phase one (CV1) and phase two (CV2) of CDBG and ESG funding allocated to the Urban County are as follows:

- CDBG CV1 - \$1,358,994
- ESG CV1 - \$698,717
- ESG CV2 - \$3,891,785

The Con Plan, AAP and CPP are being amended to incorporate the multiple phases of funding, and to describe the methodology for distribution for the CARES Act funding.

Distribution Method

CARES Act funding will be distributed using the existing method of distribution for the County's CDBG and ESG Programs which consists of the release of Notice of Funding Availability (NOFAs). On June 1, 2020, the County Planning and Community Development Department released a NOFA for the first phase of CARES Act funding, CV1 funding, to solicit grant applications from eligible service providers. Grant applications, guidelines and scoring criteria were posted online and a mandatory Grant Technical Workshop was held on June 3, 2020, prior to the application being released.

The June 1, 2020, NOFA also included State ESG CARES Act funding administered by the County as the Administrative Entity for the CSoC. The State ESG CARES Act funding was awarded by the Board of Supervisors on July 14, 2020. This item only addresses the federal ESG CARES Act funding allocated to Stanislaus County as the lead entity of the Urban County.

The NOFA for federal ESG-CV2 funding is still pending release by the County.

Community Needs Assessment and Funding Prioritization

HUD allows jurisdictions to award grants in accordance with its own community development objectives. Stanislaus County is working in collaboration with the Stanislaus Community Foundation and United Way of Stanislaus to assess the impact COVID-19 is having on our community and local non-profits. The goal of this collaborative effort is to improve the distribution of funding available to assist with COVID-19 impacts to a broader range of non-profits. Staff from participating funding entities have committed to working together to share application criteria and funding award information in an effort to inform the overall collective process of providing funding to non-profits aimed at meeting community needs.

In April of 2020, the Stanislaus Community Foundation and United Way of Stanislaus developed a Community Needs Survey to assist in their prioritizing of funding decisions for their respective COVID-19 related funds. Stanislaus County and the Cities of: Modesto, Riverbank, and Turlock agreed to collaborate with the organizations to identify funding gaps and needs. On May 6, 2020, the Community Needs Survey was emailed to non-profit service providers on the CSoC listserv and current and past Urban County CDBG and ESG grant applicants to gauge the needs of service providers and their clients.

The following are the results of the Community Needs Survey:

WHAT ARE YOUR CLIENT'S NEEDS?

Answer Choices	Percentage	Responses
Mental Health	19.83%	24
Food and Nutrition	19.01%	23
Other (Please Specify)	14.88%	18
Paying Rent and Utilities	12.40%	15
Unemployment and Job Placement	8.26%	10
Home Schooling Resources	6.61%	8
Broadband and Computer Access	6.61%	8
Childcare	4.13%	5
Medical Care	4.13%	5
Stimulus Funding, Taxes, EITC	2.48%	3
Housing Rights Information and Legal Aid	1.65%	2
Total Respondents: (46)	100.00%	121

*Other: Career/vocational education; job skills for youth; safe place for kids; affordable/transitional housing; grief support; technology; basic needs (food and gas); and no direct services provided.

Utilizing the survey results, County Planning staff also worked with the CSoC, the Stanislaus Homeless Alliance (SHA), and service providers, to establish funding prioritization. On May 13, 2020, the Stanislaus Homeless Alliance (SHA) accepted the following funding prioritization recommendations for the programing and awarding of ESG CARES Act funding:

- Support the needs of existing shelter operations;
- Address unexpected operations and supply costs not covered by other available funding sources;
- Support the development of housing units aimed at transitional and permanent supportive housing;
- Support rapid rehousing; and
- Support homeless prevention.

On May 21, 2020, the CSoC approved use of the funding prioritization recommendations for the programing and awarding of State ESG CARES Act funding; which is administered by the County serving as the Administrative Entity appointed by the CSoC for ESG funding allocated to the CSoC by the State.

The accepted and approved funding prioritization recommendations and the Community Needs Survey results were used by a Grant Review Panel to make final CDBG-CV1 and ESG-CV1 funding recommendations.

Grant Review Panel

The Grant Review Panel was comprised of one (1) representative from the County, and one (1) city representative from each of the seven (7) Stanislaus Urban County cities. All applications determined to be complete by staff were provided to the Grant Review Panel for review and scoring. The cumulative scores were used to determine funding award recommendations.

The Grant Review Panel scored grant applications based on the following scoring criteria:

- Capacity and Experience
- Addressing the Need/Extent of the Problem
- Collaboration
- Accomplishments and Program Evaluation
- Financials
- Performance and Risk Assessment
- Program Innovation
- Grant Submittal

As discussed earlier, all of the scoring criteria, along with the funding prioritization and survey results to be used in scoring the applications, were provided as part of the NOFA release.

Proposed Con Plan and AAP Substantial Amendments

The discussion below is a summary of the proposed Substantial Amendments to the Con Plan and AAP, which are provided as Attachment 1 of this report. The entire Con Plan and AAP documents, as currently approved, are available online at: <http://www.stancounty.com/planning/cdbg/plans-and-reports.shtm>

The proposed Substantial Amendments allow for the allocating of new CARES Act funding to the Urban County for the development and implementation of additional public service activities. Newly funded activities are scheduled to be implemented as soon as possible and will comply with federal regulations governing expenditure. Funds are proposed to be allocated as follows:

CDBG-CV1 CARES Act Funding Allocation

The draft Substantial Amendments involve the allocation of \$1,358,994 in CDBG-CV1 CARES Act funding based on the scoring results and ranking of the Grant Review Panel. Approximately \$1,087,196 in CDBG-CV1 is available to eligible service providers to address increased community needs directly related to the prevention of, preparing for, and responding to the COVID-19 pandemic. The remaining \$271,798, 20% of the allocation, is allowed for the County's administration expenses for the oversight and management of the program funding. As part of the grant funding cycle the Urban County received and reviewed twelve competitive applications for CDBG-CV1 funding. Organizations that have applied for CDBG-CV1 funding include, but are not limited to, organizations that provide services to at-risk youth, seniors, and the homeless. The proposed Substantial Amendment to the AAP includes funding recommendations for the following organizations:

- Cambridge Academies – Enterprise Connection Program
- Center for Human Services – Strengthening Families Through FRC and Concrete Support

- Children’s Crisis Center – Children’s Crisis Center CDBG CARES Program
- Family Promise of Greater Modesto – CARES Rent/Utilities Assistance Program
- The Salvation Army-Red Shield – Feed the Need Program
- United Samaritans Foundation – Employee Hazard Pay COVID-19 Program

Upon approval of the CDBG-CV1 funding recommendations, technical adjustments may be needed if a funded organization fails to meet contract requirements or is found to be ineligible to receive funds. All funding recommendations are subject to final HUD approval and funding availability. If an organization is found to no longer be eligible, funding will be awarded to the next highest-ranking organization. Attachment “2” includes a list of all CDBG-CV1 grant applications received (in order of highest to lowest ranking) with grant applications recommended for funding reflected in bold and italic print.

ESG-CV1 CARES Act Funding Allocation

The proposed Substantial Amendments involve the allocation of \$698,717 in ESG-CV1 CARES Act funding based on the scoring results and ranking of the grant applications received. Approximately \$558,975 in ESG-CV1 is available to eligible service providers to address increased community needs directly related to the prevention of, preparing for, and responding to the COVID-19 pandemic. HUD allows for 10%, \$69,871 of the allocation to be utilized for HMIS Activities and Services and the remaining 10%, \$69,871, is allowed for the County’s administration expenses for the oversight and management of the program funding. The Urban County received and reviewed three competitive applications for ESG-CV1 funding. The proposed Substantial Amendment includes ESG-CV1 funding recommendations for the following organizations:

- Family Promise of Greater Modesto - Shelter to Solutions Program
- Community Housing and Shelter Services - Homeless Prevention and Rapid Re-Housing Program
- We Care Program - Turlock- Emergency Shelter Program

Upon approval of the ESG-CV1 funding recommendations, technical adjustments may be needed if a funded organization fails to meet contract requirements or is found to be ineligible to receive funds. All funding recommendations are subject to final HUD approval and funding availability. If an organization is found to no longer be eligible, funding will be awarded to the next highest-ranking organization. Attachment “3” includes a list of all ESG-CV1 grant applications received (in order of highest to lowest ranking) with grant applications recommended for funding reflected in bold and italic print.

ESG-CV2 CARES Act Funding Allocation

The proposed Substantial Amendments involve the allocation of \$3,891,785 in ESG-CV2 CARES funding. It is anticipated that the funding will be incorporated into the County’s annual NOFA for HUD Programs for Fiscal Year 2021-2022; however, a separate NOFA may be released. The County’s annual NOFA is anticipated to be released in November/December of 2021 and will include funding prioritizations based on current community needs at the time of the NOFA release. County Planning will continue to work with the Stanislaus CSoC, SHA, and other funding entities to identify

community needs and priorities. Approximately \$3,502,607 in ESG-CV2 funding is available to eligible service providers to address increased community needs directly related to the prevention of, preparing for, and responding to the COVID-19 pandemic. HUD allows for 10%, \$389,178, of the allocation for the County's administration expenses for the oversight and management of the program funding.

If incorporated into the County's annual NOFA, the funding will be included in the Fiscal Year 2021-2022 AAP. If a separate NOFA is released, the results of the NOFA scoring by a Grant Review Panel will be presented to the Board of Supervisors as an amendment to the corresponding AAP.

Proposed Amendment to the Citizen Participation Plan (CPP)

In addition to the Con Plan and the AAP amendment, the County is proposing to amend its CPP in order to establish expedited procedures to draft, propose, or amend a Con Plan or AAP in accordance with HUD regulations. Expedited procedures include a noticed public comment period of no less than 5-days. The waiver provided to the County by HUD, allows for a shortened comment period, 5-days instead of 30-days, and the 5-day comment period for the CPP amendment may run concurrently with the comment period for the Con Plan and AAP amendments.

The County is also proposing to amend its CPP to provide opportunities for the public to comment and review documents online and via email distribution in lieu of community meetings in order to maintain required public safety standards for social distancing. In accordance with the waiver provided to the County by HUD, online or telephonic meetings may be used to obtain public comment for the proposed use of HUD Entitlement Program funds resulting from an emergency and/or disaster relief effort. In-person public hearings are not required. The County may meet public hearing requirements through alternative means if: 1) national/local health authorities recommend social distancing and limiting public gatherings for public health reasons; and 2) the alternative means provides for: reasonable notification and access for public participation; timely responses from County officials to all public questions and issues; and public access to all questions and responses.

The entire CPP document, as currently approved, is available online at: <http://www.stancounty.com/planning/cdbg/plans-and-reports.shtm>

POLICY ISSUE:

As per federal regulation 24 CFR Part 91, HUD Entitlement Jurisdictions are required to hold a public hearing in accordance to the locally adopted CPP for the approval of, or any amendments to, the Con Plan, AAP, or CPP. The public hearing must allow residents and community stakeholders an opportunity to respond to the planned activities by the entitlement jurisdiction to address the needs of the underserved, homeless, and those at risk of becoming homeless.

In accordance with 24 CFR 91.105 (c)(2) and (k), and 24 CFR 91.115 (c)(2) and (i), HUD has provided a waiver shortening the public comment period from 30-days to 5-days.

HUD CARES Act funding will serve to provide needed COVID-19 relief through homeless prevention, rapid re-housing, shelter, and public services to individuals and families throughout the Urban County area. These programs are consistent with the goals and objectives of the Con Plan, the County's Focus on Prevention efforts, and the General Plans, specifically the Housing Elements, of the respective Stanislaus Urban County members.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Federal CDBG-CV1 funding is estimated to be \$1,358,994, that includes 20% for program administration expenses. Federal ESG-CV1 and ESG-CV2 funding is estimated to be \$698,717 and \$3,891,785 respectively, and each allocation includes 10% for program administration. As per federal regulations, CDBG-CV1, ESG-CV1 and ESG-CV2 funds must be spent within seven years or the funds would be released back to HUD. The Substantial Amendments to the Con Plan, AAP, and CPP are a required submittal to HUD and will be used to obligate the funds and establish the operational plan. The above-mentioned funding is also anticipated to have expenses that were incurred in Fiscal Year 2019-2020 because it can cover costs, through reimbursement, that resulted due to the pandemic. Appropriations for Stanislaus County's allocations were requested through the Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Final Budget process.

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' PRIORITY:

The recommended actions are consistent with the Board's priority of *Supporting Strong and Safe Neighborhoods, Supporting Community Health, and Delivering Efficient Public Services and Community Infrastructure* by providing the community with the necessary funds to implement needed programs and projects addressing the impacts of COVID-19.

STAFFING IMPACT:

Administrative oversight of all federal CDBG and ESG CARES Act funds allocated to the Stanislaus Urban County will be assumed by existing Planning and Community Development staff.

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ATTACHMENT(S):

1. Substantial Amendment No. 2 Draft
2. CDBG CARES Award Notification List
3. ESG CARES Award Notifications List



STANISLAUS URBAN COUNTY



SUBSTANTIAL AMENDMENT No.2:

- ❖ **FISCAL YEAR 2015-2020
CONSOLIDATED PLAN**
- ❖ **FISCAL YEAR 2019-2020
ANNUAL ACTION PLAN AND**
- ❖ **CITIZEN PARTICIPATION PLAN**

The following amendment language will be added to the documents listed above to allow Stanislaus County access to emergency funding intended to provide a response to the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic. The full text of the existing reports and substantial amendments may be found at <http://www.stancounty.com/planning/cdbg/plans-and-reports.shtm>.

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I. SUBSTANTIAL AMENDMENT OVERVIEW

Stanislaus County, in partnership with the cities of Ceres, Hughson, Newman, Oakdale, Patterson, Riverbank and Waterford form the Stanislaus Urban County (hereafter referred to as the “Urban County”) for purposes of receiving Federal Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG) and Emergency Solutions Grants (ESG) Program funding. Stanislaus County is the “lead entity” with responsibility for implementing and administering CDBG and ESG funding. The City of Riverbank is joining the Stanislaus Urban County for the first time in Fiscal Year 2020-2021.

On March 27, 2020, Congress passed the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act or the “CARES Act”. The Act identified additional funding for the CDBG and ESG Programs to prevent, prepare for, and response to the community impacts of the Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic. HUD’s distribution plan for the additional funding includes multiple phases: an initial phase that would allow for quick access to funding necessary to address the immediate crisis resulting from the rising pandemic, as well as later phases that would support post- pandemic community recovery.

HUD has announced the allocation of two phases of CARES Act funding; phase one (CV1) and phase two (CV2). This Substantial Amendment addresses the following CDBG and ESG CARES Act funding allocated to the Urban County:

- CDBG CV1 - \$1,358,994
- ESG CV1 - \$698,717
- ESG CV2 - \$3,891,785

Federal regulations require the preparation and adoption of a Consolidated Plan (Con Plan), which covers a five-year period. The Con Plan includes an assessment and prioritization of housing and community needs, a list of local, state, and federal resources available to meet identified needs, and the Urban County’s focused strategies intended to address priority needs over the five-year period. The Con Plan is carried out through Annual Action Plans (AAP) and Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Reports (CAPER), which identify annual community development program goals and priorities and provide for annual evaluations of implemented programs. Both documents must be submitted to HUD for their review and approval.

Each AAP is an update to the Con Plan and is submitted on an annual basis throughout the five-year period, serving also as the annual application to HUD. The AAP identifies specific activities with assigned goals and accomplishments, to be funded during the year based on priorities identified in the Con Plan.

As required by Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) title 24, section 91.105, a jurisdiction receiving federal HUD funds must follow their adopted Citizen Participation Plan (CPP), which sets forth the jurisdiction's policies and procedures for citizen participation with respect to CDBG and ESG programs and the documents listed below.

- Citizen Participation Plan (CPP)
- Consolidated Plan (Con Plan)
- Annual Action Plan (AAP)
- Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER)
- Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice (AI)

The Con Plan and AAP are being amended to incorporate additional funding in the initial phase (FY 2019-2020) of HUD's CARES Act distribution plan, and to describe the methodology for distribution of the CARES Act funding in the CDBG and ESG programs. The CPP is being amended to reflect HUD's authorization to shorten the public comment period, from 30-days to 5-days, and allowing for alternative means of public engagement. HUD approved the County's request for a Waiver on April 14, 2020.

The requirements for citizen participation do not restrict the responsibility or authority of the jurisdiction for the development and execution of the above-mentioned programs and documents, but rather facilitate citizen access to, and engagement with, the HUD funding process.

According to CFR title 24, section 91.505, an amendment to the Con Plan is required if a jurisdiction is making any changes to the allocation priorities, method of distribution, or changing the: purpose, scope, location, or beneficiaries of an activity. The Urban County's adopted Citizen Participation Plan also requires a "Substantial Amendment" if changes to the AAP include any of the following:

- Addition of a new activity not previously identified in the AAP;
- Deletion or cancellation of an activity identified in the AAP which has not been deemed ineligible or determined to be infeasible (provided any allocated funds are transferred to another approved activity as part of a subsequent AAP approval); and,
- The addition of new CDBG Public Service and ESG award grantees.

A Substantial Amendment to the Fiscal Year 2015-2020 Con Plan and Fiscal Year 2019-2020 AAP is required to allow for the addition of a new activity not previously identified in the AAP such as the addition of new CDBG Public Services and ESG award grantees as a result of the CARES Act funds allocated to the Urban County.

The amendments to the Con Plan, AAP, and CPP outlined below are based on CARES Act funding award letters and a Waiver provided to the Urban County by HUD. All documents, as approved and substantial amendments, are available for review online at: <http://www.stancounty.com/planning/cdbg/plans-and-reports.shtm>.

The amendments below reflect the format required for submittal to HUD's Integrated Disbursement and Information System (IDIS) and, as such, may differ in format from the Urban County's approved documents which are available for review online. In the case of amendments to SP-35 Anticipated Resources of the Con Plan, information beyond Year 1 is incorporated into the Con Plan as part of the AAP's and is not available as part of the Con Plan posted online at the link provided above.

AMENDMENT TO FISCAL YEAR 2015-2020 CON PLAN

SP-05 Overview has been amended in the Con Plan to include the additional CARES Act funding information below:

SP-05 Overview

March 27, 2020, Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES), Public Law 116-136 was signed by the President of the United States. The CARES Act allocated to the Urban County the following funding:

- CDBG CV1 - \$1,358,994
- ESG CV1 - \$698,717
- ESG CV2 - \$3,891,785

Strategic Goals

Community Emergency Response – Response to local, state, and national emergencies is a priority. Existing and new funding may need to be allocated in such an event. A substantial action plan amendment undertaken to allocate funds and the Citizen Participation Plan will be followed. In the event HUD issues waivers of regulatory requirements, these will be evaluated and requested as necessary.

- Support disaster response and recovery activities in the event of local, state or national responses.

SP-35 Anticipated Resources, Table 5 - Expected Resources has been amended in the Con Plan to include the additional CARES funding with the information below:

SP- 35 Anticipated Resources

Table 5 – Expected Resources-Priority Table

Expected Amount Available Year 5		
3.	Program	CDBG-CV CARES
	Source of Funds	Public- Federal
	Uses of Funds	Administration Planning Economic Development Public Services
	Annual Allocation	\$1,358,994
	Program Income	\$0
	Prior Years Resources	\$0
	Total	\$1,358,994
	Expected Amount Available for Remainder of Con Plan	\$1,358,994
	Narrative Description	Activities and projects under this goal will support Urban County members, residents and agencies to address community emergency needs as a result of Coronavirus pandemic related issues. 20% of the funds will be utilized for Program Administration.
	4.	Program
Source of Funds		Public- Federal
Uses of Funds for Allocation Phase 1 and 2		Administration Overnight Shelter (Services, Rehabilitation, Renovation and Operations) Street Outreach-Shelter Related Rapid Re-housing (Rental Assistance) Homeless Prevention Rental Assistance Services (Case Management & Essential Services)
Total Allocation- Phase 1		\$698,717
Total Allocation- Phase 2		\$3,891,785
Program Income for Allocation Phase 1 and 2		N/A
Prior Year Resources for Allocation Phase 1 and 2		N/A
Total Allocation- Phase 1		\$698,717
Total Allocation- Phase 2		\$3,891,785
Expected Amount Available Remainder of Con Plan- Allocation- Phase 1		\$698,717
Expected Amount Available		\$3,891,785

	Remainder of Con Plan- Allocation- Phase 2	
	Narrative Description for Allocation Phase 1 and 2	Activities and projects under this goal will support residents and agencies to address community emergency needs as a result of Coronavirus pandemic related issues. 10% of the funds will be utilized for program administration.

AMENDMENT TO FISCAL YEAR 2019-2020 AAP

PR-15 Citizen Participation is amended to add the following new language to Section 1 – Summary of citizen participation process/Efforts to broaden citizen participating:

Substantial Amendment #2 to the Con Plan, AAP, and CPP addressing additional funding from the CARES Act were available from July 23, 2020 to July 28, 2020 for a 5-day review and public comment period, instead of 30-days, as authorized per waiver of federal regulations. The waiver may be found at: <https://www.hudexchange.info/resource/6007/availability-of-waivers-of-community-cpd-grant-program-and-consolidated-plan-requirements-to-prevent-the-spread-of-covid19-and-mitigate-economic-impacts-caused-by-covid19/>.

The draft amendments to the Con Plan, AAP, and CPP were made available to the public on July 23, 2020 and a Notice of Public Hearing and document availability, was published in The Modesto Bee. The documents were available online at: <http://www.stancounty.com/planning/cdbg/plans-and-reports.shtm>.

Summary of Public Comments

Pending close of the public review and comment period.

AP- 20 Annual Goals and Objectives, Table 6 – Goals Summary has been amended in the AAP to include the additional CARES funding with the information below:

**AP-20 Annual Goals and Objectives - 91.320(c)(3) &(e)
Goals Summary Information**

Table 6 - Goals Summary

8.	Goal Name	Community Emergency Response Program
	Start Year	2019
	End Year	2019
	Goal Description	Provide services and support to Urban County members, residents and agencies impacted by the Coronavirus pandemic.
	Category	Non-Housing Community Development/Emergency Assistance
	Geographic Area(s)	Ceres Hughson Newman Oakdale Patterson Waterford Unincorporated Stanislaus County
	Needs Addressed	Economic Development Public Services
	Funding	CDBG-CV CARES: \$1,358,994 ESG-CV1 CARES: \$698,717 ESG-CV2 CARES: \$3,891,785
	Goal Outcome Indicator	CDBG-CV CARES: 900 Individuals 300 Households ESG-CV1 CARES: 520 Individuals 385 Households ESG-CV2 CARES: TBD-Pending future NOFA results

AP-35 Projects, Table 7 – Project Information has been amended in the AAP to include the additional CARES Act funded projects:

**AP-35 PROJECTS – 91.420, 91.220 (d)
Projects**

Table 7- Project Information

#	Project Name
31.	Stanislaus County – CDBG-CV1-CARES Program Administration FY 19-20
32.	CDBG-CV1-CARES Family Promise of Greater Modesto - CARES Rent/Utilities Assistance FY 19-20
33.	CDBG-CV1-CARES Center for Human Services- Strengthening Families through FRC and Concrete Support FY 19-20
34.	CDBG-CV1-CARES Children’s Crisis Center Children’s Crisis Center - CDBG CARES Program FY 19-20
35.	CDBG-CV1-CARES United Samaritans Foundation - Employee Hazard Pay COVID-10 Program FY 19-20
36.	CDBG-CV1-CARES Cambridge Academies - Enterprise Connection Program FY 19-20
37.	CDBG-CV1-CARES The Salvation Army Red Shield - Feed the Need Program FY 19-20
38.	ESG-CV1-CARES Program FY 19-20

AP-38 Project Summary, Table 8 – Project Summary Information has been amended in the AAP to include the additional CARES Act project summary information:

AP-38 PROJECT SUMMARY

Table 8- Project Summary Information

31. PROJECT NAME: Stanislaus County - CDBG-CV1 CARES Program Administration FY 19-20

Target Area(s): Ceres, Hughson, Newman, Oakdale, Patterson, Waterford and Unincorporated Stanislaus County

Goals Supported: Improve infrastructure in low-income neighborhoods
Fair Housing and Tenant/Landlord Services
Access to public services for low-income household
Shelter for Homeless Persons
Rapid Re-Housing for Homeless Persons
Homeless Prevention
Homeless Services Data Collection
Community Emergency Response

Needs Addressed: Affordable Housing
Economic Development
Homeless Services
Public Services

Funding: CDBG-CV1: \$271,798

Description: Stanislaus County will administer the CDBG-CV1 CARES funds for the Stanislaus Urban County. The funds will cover the costs of salary, publications, public notices, and other eligible costs directly related to the program. These funds will also cover administration costs incurred from administering the ESG-CV1 CARES program (costs incurred in excess of ESG-CV1 administration funds).

National Objective: N/A

Matrix Code: 21A

Target Date: 6/30/2021

Location Description: 1010 10th Street, Suite 3400, Modesto, CA 95354

Planned Activities: Administration of CDBG-CV1 CARES and ESG-CV1 CARES programs and projects.

32. PROJECT NAME: CDBG-CV1 CARES - Family Promise of Greater Modesto - CARES Rent/Utilities Assistance Program FY 19-20

Target Area(s): Ceres, Hughson, Newman, Oakdale, Patterson, Waterford and Unincorporated Stanislaus County

Goals Supported: Access to public services for low income households
Community Emergency Response

Needs Addressed: Public Services

Funding: CDBG-CV1: \$201,731.50

Description: This program will provide rent and utility assistance to those living in the Urban County areas.

National Objective: LMC

Matrix Code: 05

Presumed Benefit: No

Objective: Provide case management, emergency shelter, utility assistance, rental assistance and support services to low income individuals.

Performance Outcomes:

Number of residents that receive assistance: 200

Target Date: 6/30/2023

Location Description: 1010 10th Street, Suite 3400, Modesto, CA 95354

Planned Activities: Case Management, Rent and Utility Assistance.

33. PROJECT NAME: CDBG-CV1 CARES - Center for Human Services - Strengthening Families Through FRC and Concrete Support Program FY 19-20

Target Area(s): Ceres, Hughson, Newman, Oakdale, Patterson, Waterford and Unincorporated Stanislaus County

Goals Supported: Access to public services for low income households
Community Emergency Response

Needs Addressed: Public Services

Funding: CDBG-CV1: \$201,731.50

Description: This program will provide emergency food, rent and utility assistance to those living in the Urban County areas.

National Objective: LMC

Matrix Code: 05

Presumed Benefit: No

Objective: Provide case management, emergency food, emergency shelter, utility assistance, rental assistance and support services to low income individuals.

Performance Outcomes:

Number of residents that receive assistance: 200

Target Date: 6/30/2023

Location Description: 1010 10th Street, Suite 3400, Modesto, CA 95354

Planned Activities: Case Management, Emergency Food, Rent and Utility Assistance.

34. PROJECT NAME: CDBG-CV1 CARES - Children's Crisis Center - Children's Crisis Center - CDBG CARES Program FY 19-20

Target Area(s): Ceres, Hughson, Newman, Oakdale, Patterson, Waterford and Unincorporated Stanislaus County

Goals Supported: Access to public services for low income households
Community Emergency Response

Needs Addressed: Public Services

Funding: CDBG-CV1: \$170,691.50

Description: This program will provide emergency food, rent and utility assistance to those living in the Urban County areas.

National Objective: LMC

Matrix Code: 05

Presumed Benefit: No

Objective: Provide case management, emergency food, emergency shelter, utility assistance, rental assistance and support services to low income individuals.

Performance Outcomes:

Number of residents that receive assistance: 200

Target Date: 6/30/2023

Location Description: 1010 10th Street, Suite 3400, Modesto, CA 95354

Planned Activities: Case Management, Emergency Food, Rent and Utility Assistance.

35. PROJECT NAME: CDBG-CV1 CARES - Cambridge Academies - Enterprise Connection Program FY 19-20

Target Area(s): Ceres, Hughson, Newman, Oakdale, Patterson, Waterford and Unincorporated Stanislaus County

Goals Supported: Access to public services for low income households
Community Emergency Response

Needs Addressed: Public Services

Funding: CDBG-CV1: \$201,731.50

Description: This program will provide job training, emergency food, and shelter to those living in the Urban County areas.

National Objective: LMC

Matrix Code: 05

Presumed Benefit: No

Objective: Provide case management, job training, emergency food, emergency shelter and support services to low income individuals.

Performance Outcomes:

Number of residents that receive assistance: 200

Target Date: 6/30/2023

Location Description: 1010 10th Street, Suite 3400, Modesto, CA 95354

Planned Activities: Case Management, Job Training, Emergency Food and Shelter.

36. PROJECT NAME: CDBG-CV1 CARES - The Salvation Army Red Shield-Feed the Need Program FY 19-20

Target Area(s): Ceres, Hughson, Newman, Oakdale, Patterson, Waterford and Unincorporated Stanislaus County

Goals Supported: Access to public services for low income households
Community Emergency Response

Needs Addressed: Public Services

Funding: CDBG-CV1: \$201,731.50

Description: This program will provide job training, emergency food, and shelter to those living in the Urban County areas.

National Objective: LMC

Matrix Code: 05

Presumed Benefit: No

Objective: Provide case management, emergency food and support services to low income individuals.

Performance Outcomes:

Number of residents that receive assistance: 200

Target Date: 6/30/2023

Location Description: 1010 10th Street, Suite 3400, Modesto, CA 95354

Planned Activities: Case Management, Emergency Food and Support Services.

37. PROJECT NAME: CDBG-CV1 CARES - United Sarmatians Foundation - Employee Hazard Pay COVID-19 Program FY 19-20

Target Area(s): Ceres, Hughson, Newman, Oakdale, Patterson, Waterford and Unincorporated Stanislaus County

Goals Supported: Access to public services for low income households
Community Emergency Response

Needs Addressed: Public Services

Funding: CDBG-CV1: \$109,578.50

Description: This program will provide support to agency employees that have worked and are currently working with the public during the COVID-19 pandemic. The agency will provide emergency food assistance to those living in the Urban County areas.

National Objective: LMC

Matrix Code: 05

Presumed Benefit: No

Objective: Provide case management, emergency food and support services to low income individuals.

Performance Outcomes:

Number of residents that receive assistance: 200

Target Date: 6/30/2023

Location Description: 1010 10th Street, Suite 3400, Modesto, CA 95354

Planned Activities: Case Management, Agency COVID-19 Support Emergency Food and Support Services.

38. PROJECT NAME: Stanislaus County- ESG-CV CARES Program FY 19-20

Target Area(s): Ceres, Hughson, Newman, Oakdale, Patterson, Waterford and Unincorporated Stanislaus County

Goals Supported: Shelter for Homeless Person
Rapid Re-Housing for Homeless Persons
Homeless Prevention
Homeless Services Data Collection
Community Emergency Response

Needs Addressed: Homeless Services
Shelter Services, Rehabilitation, Street Outreach and Operations

Funding: ESG-CV1: \$698,717
ESG-CV2: \$3,891,785

Description: The following are the proposed ESG-CV1 CARES funding recommendations:

- Community Housing and Shelter Services - Homeless Prevention and Rapid Re-Housing: \$244,615.34
- We Care Program - Emergency Shelter: \$119,615.33
- Family Promise - Shelter to Solutions-New Beginnings Program: \$264,615.33
- Stanislaus County ESG-CV1 CARES Administration: \$69,871
- ESG-CV2 Funding distribution is pending the results of a future NOFA.

Target Date: 6/30/2023

Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities: 520 Individuals and 385 Households

Location Description: 1010 10th Street, Suite 3400, Modesto, CA 95354

Planned Activities: Shelter, Homeless Services, Rental Assistance and Case Management

AMENDMENT TO THE CPP (June 5, 2018 Version)

The CPP is amended to add the following new section:

VII. Community Emergency Response Procedures

Special emergency procedures are in place, in the event of a local, state, and national emergency, resulting in existing and/or new funding becoming available for distribution or re-allocated in an expedited timeframe. The procedures provide for:

- Streamlining the allocation process and reducing delays in accessing grant funds following the receipt of guidance, and in accordance with, HUD notices, waivers, award letters, or other HUD communications.
- Allowing for reduced citizen participation requirement in accordance with HUD notices, waivers, award letters, or other HUD communications.

Expedited procedures include a public review and comment period of no less than 5 days, reduced from the CPP required 30-days. The reduced 5-day public review and comment period for a CPP amendment may run concurrently with the public review and comment period for the any other action identified in the CPP as requiring a longer period.

Expedited procedures also include alternate methods to provide opportunities for the public to comment and review documents. Public meetings and public hearing may be conducted online, by telephone, or by other method allowing for reasonable public participation. In-person meetings and/or public hearings are not required. The County may meet public hearing requirements through alternative means if: 1) national/local health authorities recommend social distancing and limiting public gatherings for public health reasons; and 2) the alternative means provides for: reasonable notification and access for public participation; timely responses from County officials to all public questions and issues; and public access to all questions and responses.

Stanislaus County Planning and Community Development
Federal Community Development Block Grant Coronavirus, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CDBG-CARES) Public Service Grants
FY 2020-2021 Scoring and Anticipated Funding Recommendations* - Subject to Final County and HUD Approval

RANKING							ESTIMATED
NO.	AGENCY	PROGRAM	GRANT	SCORE	REQUESTED	AWARD	
1	<i>Family Promise of Greater Modesto</i>	<i>CARES Rent/Utilities Assistance</i>	<i>CDBG-CARES</i>	<i>185.56</i>	<i>\$ 200,000.00</i>	<i>\$ 201,731.50</i>	
2	<i>Center for Human Services</i>	<i>Strengthen Families Through FRC and Concrete Support</i>	<i>CDBG-CARES</i>	<i>185.22</i>	<i>\$ 200,000.00</i>	<i>\$ 201,731.50</i>	
3	<i>Children's Crisis Center</i>	<i>Children's Crisis Center CDBG CARES</i>	<i>CDBG-CARES</i>	<i>184.89</i>	<i>\$ 168,960.00</i>	<i>\$ 170,691.50</i>	
4	<i>United Samaritans Foundation</i>	<i>Employee Hazard Pay COVID-19</i>	<i>CDBG-CARES</i>	<i>181.67</i>	<i>\$ 107,847.00</i>	<i>\$ 109,578.50</i>	
5	<i>Cambridge Academies</i>	<i>Enterprise Connection</i>	<i>CDBG-CARES</i>	<i>181.11</i>	<i>\$ 200,000.00</i>	<i>\$ 201,731.50</i>	
6	<i>The Salvation Army- Red Shield</i>	<i>Feed the Need</i>	<i>CDBG-CARES</i>	<i>179.89</i>	<i>\$ 200,000.00</i>	<i>\$ 201,731.50</i>	
7	Community Housing & Shelter Services	CARES Homeless Prevention	CDBG-CARES	177.67	\$ 180,000.00	\$ -	
8	The Salvation Army- Red Shield	Emergency Community CARES	CDBG-CARES	175.67	\$ 200,088.00	\$ -	
9	Stanislaus Family Justice Center Foundation	Trauma Support	CDBG-CARES	173.67	\$ 193,850.40	\$ -	
10	Parent Resource Center	Rebuilding Hope	CDBG-CARES	171.33	\$ 197,667.00	\$ -	
11	Cambridge Academies	Naomi's Culinary Program	CDBG-CARES	161.22	\$ 200,000.00	\$ -	
12	Senior Advocacy Network	Stanislaus Senior Home Match	CDBG-CARES	142.11	\$ 200,000.00	\$ -	
TOTAL					\$ 2,248,412.40	\$ 1,087,196.00	

* ***Bold and Italic indicates the agencies being recommended for funding.***

CDBG CARES 2019 Estimated Funding Available for Services

\$ 1,087,196.00

STANISLAUS URBAN COUNTY

**Substantial Amendment No.2
Fiscal Year 2015-2020 Consolidated Plan
Fiscal Year 2019-2020 Annual Action Plan
Citizen Participation Plan**

**Board of Supervisors
July 28, 2020**



Coronavirus, Relief, and Economic Security Act “CARES” Stimulus Program

On March 27, 2020, Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES), Public Law 116-136 was signed by the President of the United States. The CARES Act allocated to the Urban County the following funding:

- CDBG CV1 - \$1,358,994
- ESG CV1 - \$698,717
- ESG CV2 - \$3,891,785

Grant Cycle Process CARES Program

- June 1, 2020 - Notice of Funding Available (NOFA) Released
- June 3, 2020 –Mandatory Virtual Workshop – 41 Agencies Attended
- June 10, 2020 – Application Deadline to Submit
- June 16 & 17, 2020 – Grant Review Panel Interviews
- Grant Review Panel Members: Majorie Blom (Ceres); Lea Simvoulakis (Hughson); Murry Day (Newman); Colleen Anderson (Oakdale); Teresa Rodriguez (Patterson); Leticia Ibanez (Riverbank); Lonnie Statzer (Waterford); Damian Martinez (County); and Fred Berry (CSOC)

CARES Program Funding Prioritization

- CDBG and ESG: Application Minimum \$50,000/Application Maximum \$200,000
 - CDBG Funding Prioritization:
 - Top Community Needs (mental health; food and nutrition; and paying rent and utilities)
 - Equitable distribution throughout Stanislaus County
 - Successful experience in administering CDBG funding
 - ESG Funding Prioritization:
 - Support the needs of existing shelter operations; address unexpected operations and supply costs not covered by other available funding sources; support other development of housing units aimed at transitional and permanent supportive housing; support rapid re-housing; and support homeless prevent.
 - Equitable distribution throughout Stanislaus County
 - Successful experience in administering CDBG funding

Ranking List of CDBG-CV1 Stimulus Program Funding Recommendations and Applications Received

RANKING NO.	AGENCY	PROGRAM	GRANT	SCORE	REQUESTED	ESTIMATED AWARD
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TOTAL					\$ 2,248,412.40	\$ 1,087,196.00

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Ranking List of ESG-CV1 Stimulus Program Funding Recommendations and Applications Received

<i>Ranking No.</i>	<i>Agency</i>	<i>Program</i>	<i>Grant</i>	<i>Score</i>	<i>Requested</i>	<i>Estimated Award</i>
<i>N/A</i>	<i>County Planning and Community Development</i>	<i>Administration</i>	<i>ESG-CARES</i>	<i>N/A</i>	<i>N/A</i>	<i>\$ 69,871.00</i>
<i>1</i>	<i>Family Promise of Greater Modesto</i>	<i>Shelter to Solutions Program</i>	<i>ESG-CARES</i>	<i>192.67</i>	<i>\$ 200,000.00</i>	<i>\$ 264,615.33</i>
<i>2</i>	<i>Community Housing and Shelter Services</i>	<i>Homeless Prevention/Rapid Re-Housing</i>	<i>ESG-CARES</i>	<i>176.11</i>	<i>\$ 180,000.00</i>	<i>\$ 244,615.34</i>
<i>3</i>	<i>We Care Program-Turlock</i>	<i>Emergency Shelter Program</i>	<i>ESG-CARES</i>	<i>174.78</i>	<i>\$ 55,000.00</i>	<i>\$ 119,615.33</i>
					<i>\$ 435,000.00</i>	<i>\$ 698,717.00</i>

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Citizen Participation Plan (CPP) Amendment

The CPP is amended to add the following new section:

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Citizen Participation Plan (CPP) Amendment

VII. Community Emergency Response Procedures (Continued)

Expedited procedures provide for:

- Public review period of no less than 5 days, reduced from the required 30 days.
- Alternate methods to public meetings to provide opportunities for the public to comment and review documents.

Public meetings and public hearings may be held online, by telephone or by a any other method that allows for reasonable public participation.



Staff Recommendations

- Close the 5-day comment period and conduct a public hearing.
- Approval of Substantial Amendment No.2 to all three plans.
- Authorize the Planning and Community Development Director to:
 - Sign and submit CARES Act funding applications and program certifications to HUD.
 - Execute any related program agreements, contracts or other documentation required for implementation of CARES Act funding.
 - Incorporate any comments and make any edits as directed by HUD to Substantial Amendment No. 2.

QUESTIONS

