

PUBLIC NOTICE

In accordance with 24 CFR 91.105 and subpart B of the federal regulations relative to citizen participation for Community Planning and Development Programs and applicable waivers made available to those requirements through the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES Act), the City of Tuscaloosa, AL is making an amendment to its 2015-2019 Consolidated Plan for the City of Tuscaloosa (Consolidated Plan) available to the public through this notice.

Public Comment Period and Process:

This Consolidated Plan amendment is available for a 5-day public review and comment period from May 11, 2020 to May 15, 2020. Citizens wishing to submit written comments during the public review and comment period may mail them, postmarked no later than May 15, 2020, to the following:

City of Tuscaloosa
Office of Community and Neighborhood Services
Attention: LaParry Howell, Director
2201 University Blvd
Tuscaloosa, AL 35401

You may also email comments no later than May 15, 2020 to Mr. LaParry Howell at lhowell@tuscaloosa.com or Ms. Margaret Jones at mjones@tuscaloosa.com

Amendment:

This is an amendment to the 2015-2019 Consolidated Plan for the City of Tuscaloosa CDBG & HOME Programs to enable the City of Tuscaloosa to receive and administer \$484,268 in Community Development Block Grant Coronavirus (CDBG-CV) funding from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) made available through the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES Act).

Additional CDBG-CV funding made available to the City of Tuscaloosa by HUD through the CARES Act is unknown at this time but will be utilized for the same purpose of the initial allocations indicated to prevent the spread of COVID-19 and facilitate assistance to eligible agencies, households, and persons economically impacted by COVID-19.

Eligible CDBG-CV activities are to prevent, to prepare for, or respond to the emergence of COVID-19. These activities may include, but are not limited to, carrying out job trainings to expand the pool of health care workers, provide testing, diagnosis or other services at a fixed or mobile location, assisting low-and-moderate income households with housing assistance for no more than three months, grab and go/delivery meal programs to quarantined individuals or individuals that need to maintain social distancing due to medical vulnerabilities, business

assistance to retain employees that are low-to-moderate income, and support of other COVID-19 response services.

Public Notices regarding future amendments to the Consolidated Plan will be printed in local newspapers and posted online on the City of Tuscaloosa's website at www.tuscaloosa.com.

Lastly, as part of this amendment, the City will revise its Citizen Participation Plan to include the 5-day comment period in accordance with 24 CFR 91.105 and subpart B of the federal regulations. The revised Citizen Participation Plan will be available for review on the City's website at <https://www.tuscaloosa.com/live-play/housing/cdbg>.

Background on the Consolidated Plan:

The Consolidated Plan describes the housing and community development needs, as well as activities to address those needs through the City of Tuscaloosa, as defined and funded by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). As required by HUD, the Consolidated Plan brings together, in one (1) consolidated submission, the planning and application aspects of the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME), and Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) Programs. .