



Memorandum

Memorandum No: 20-125

Date: December 23, 2020

To: Honorable Mayor and Commissioners

From: Chris Lagerbloom, ICMA-CM, City Manager

Re: Housing and Community Development Programs and Activities Report

I am pleased to present a year-to-date report of the CARES Act/Coronavirus Relief Programs and expenditures, along with other non-CARES Act initiatives.

Coronavirus Relief Assistance Report

The City established several programs in response to the Coronavirus Pandemic. Many of these programs continue to provide support for neighbors who are facing economic hardship. Some of these programs have prevented homelessness for over 480 households, by providing over 1,200 units of financial assistance. The unit of assistance included multiple months of rent payments, mortgage payments, utility payments, and emergency hotel stays.

o **Coronavirus Relief Fund \$1,164,000**

Activity Funded	Funding Amount	Unduplicated Households Served	Total Units of Services	Year to Date expenditure	Status	Households by District
Rent, Mortgage, Utility Assistance	\$1,047,600.00	234	1042	\$930,339.02	On going	D1: 33 Units 117 D2: 91 Units 395 D3: 72 Units 353 D4: 38 Units 177
Housing Foundation Intake	\$81,000.00	122		\$33,000.00	Ongoing	
City Administration	\$35,400.00	234	1042	\$16,000.00	Ongoing	

Of the 162 households served, City staff conducted 49 intake and Housing Foundation of America conducted 113.

○ **Community Development Block Grant CARES Act \$ 934,515**

Activity Funded	Funding Amount	Households/ Businesses Served	Units of Services	Year to Date expenditure	Status	Households by District
Hotel Voucher and Meals program	\$507,612.00	114	114	\$507, 612.00	Ended	Citywide
Emergency Small Business Investment	\$400,000.00	8	12	\$120,000.00	On going	D1: 2 D2: 5 D3: 2 D4: 3
City Administration	\$26,903.00	126	126	Data is currently not available	Ongoing	

○ **Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA) CARES Act \$1,035,298**

(HOPWA CARES Providers will submit an update on the first week of January).

○ **HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME) Tenant Based Rental Assistance (TBRA) administered by HOPE South Florida, Inc.**

Activity Funded	Funding Amount	Households to be Served	Units of Services	Expenditure	Status	Comments
Tenant Based Rental Assistance	\$290, 000.00	10	120	City not yet invoiced by Hope S FL.	Ongoing	Citywide
Case Management	\$40,000.00					Pending approval of agreement
Total	\$330,000.00	10	120			

○ **2nd Round Community Development Block Grant Cares Act \$1,640,833**

This program has not yet started. The start date for this program will be contingent on HUD's approval of the annual action plan amendment. Staff is working with HUD to ensure this program is up and running by mid-February or earlier.

Activity Funded	Funding Amount	Households Served	Units of Services	Expenditure	Status	Comments
Housing Reentry and Project delivery	\$500,000.00					
Rent Assistance	\$700,000.00					
Project Deliver Cost	\$112,666.40					
City Administration	\$328,166.60					

Traditional Housing and Community Development Programs and Activities

The Housing and Community Development division continues to offer non-CARES Act programs and services to support the community. Many of these programs are offered in collaboration with community partners. Below is a chart of programs and services being offered for FY 2021. The programs below are available to support our neighbors now, and in the months to come.

○ **CDBG Public Services**

Program Name	Program Description	Agency	Funding Amount	Contact
TIL -Self-sufficiency	Transition to independent living for youths aging out of foster care.	HOMES, Inc	\$124,000.00	954-563-5454
Mount Bethel	Food Pantry and career services	Mount Bethel Human Services	\$71, 000.00	954-763-5010
Women in Distress (WID)	Domestic Violence Shelter	Women in Distress, Inc	\$37,500.00	954-761-1133
BPHI	Homeless Shelter Meals	Broward Partnership for the Homeless, Inc	\$50,000.00	954-779-3990
Meals on Wheels	Meal delivery program for seniors	Sunshine for All, Inc	\$25,000.00	305-285-3217

Self-sufficiency for residents	Program for residents of Wisdom Village Crossing. (GED, budgeting, resume writing).	Turnstone Development	\$25,000.00	Not open to public. Residents of Wisdom Village Crossing only.
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○ **Other CDBG Programs**

Program Name	Program Description	Agency	Funding Amount	Contact
Minor Home Repair	Owner occupied residential rehab. Maximum award to income eligible households \$30,000.00	City HCD Staff	\$93,191.00	954-828-6024 954-828-4513
City CIP	Asphalt and Sidewalk repairs in CDBG eligible areas	City Public Works Division	\$500,000.00	954-828-7893 954-828-4516
City Administrative Project Delivery Cost and HOME program support	Staff wages, benefits, and other program related cost (rent, utility, supplies and other overheads). Supports project delivery for the HOME Investment Partnership program	City HCD	\$572,717.00	954-828-5391

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