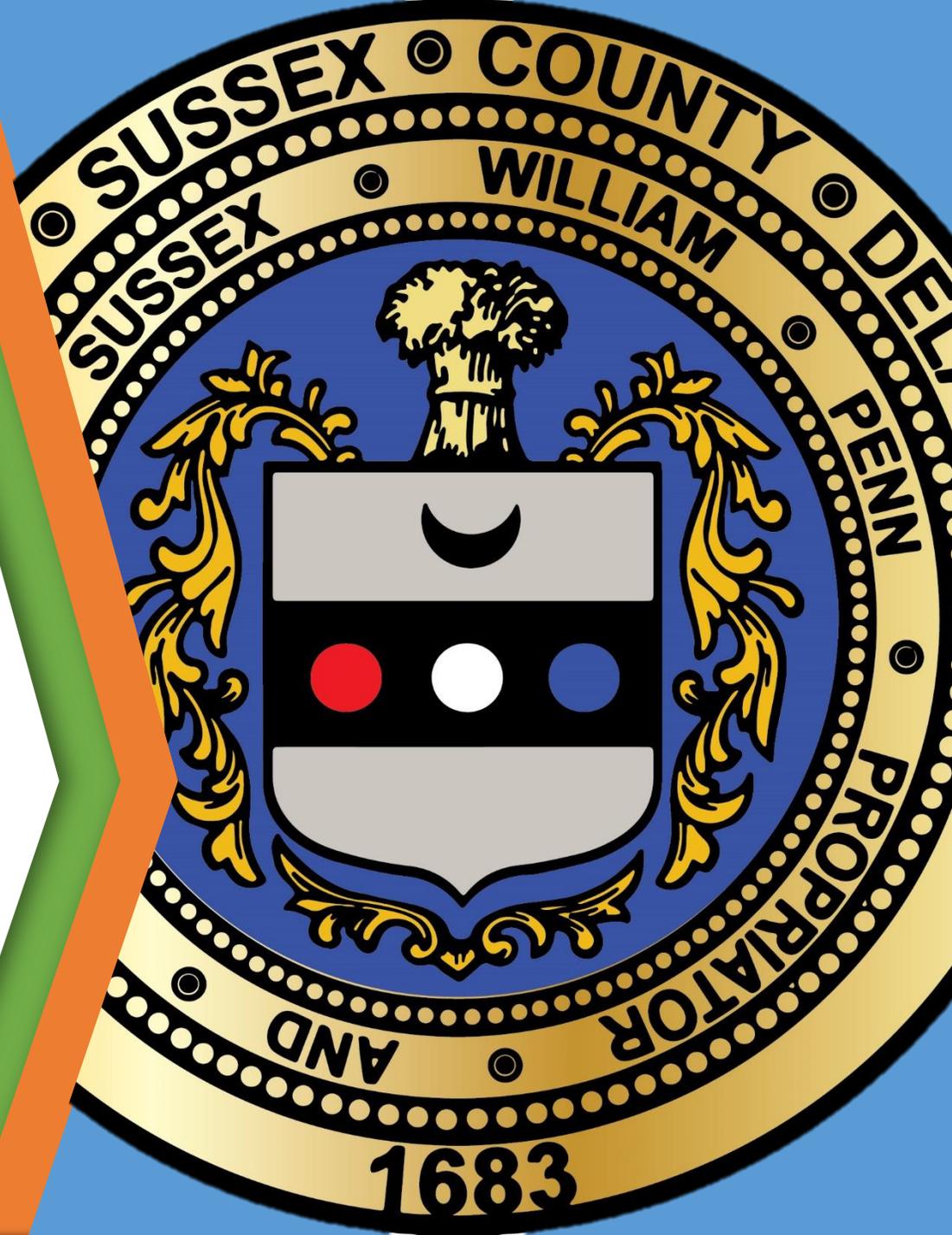




FY20 CARES Act CDBG Public Hearing
July 29, 2020



Agenda

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CARES Act

- Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES Act) signed into law on March 27, 2020.
- HUD is making \$3.064 billion available through its Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG), and Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA) programs.



CARES Act - HUD

- COVID-19 related funding to numerous HUD programs
- Key HUD Programs:
 - Emergency Solutions Grants (ESG) - \$4 Billion
 - Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) - \$5 Billion
 - Housing Opportunities for Persons with HIV/AIDS (HOPWA) - \$65 Million
- Formula-based grants distributed to HUD-funded jurisdictions
- ESG & CDBG will have additional allocations
- HUD guidance and waivers

DSHA Substantial Amendment Process

- May 18, 2020 – Substantial Amendment Public Hearing
- Citizen Participation Plan
 - HUD allowing waivers for jurisdictions and states to hold shortened public comment periods (5 days) and to hold virtual public hearings
- Substantial Amendment
 - The following items related to the CARES Act triggered the need for a Substantial Amendment to the Consolidated Plan
 - Addition of a goal or activity not originally described in the plan;
 - Change in Methods of Distribution;
 - Significant changes in funds allocated to program components; and
 - Receipt of any additional federal funds

Prioritization of Funds

- DSHA met with the other Delaware Entitlement Jurisdictions to determine a statewide priority for CARES Act dollars
- Determination that the most immediate needs are for :
 - Non-congregate sheltering for homeless and vulnerable individuals
 - Associated services while sheltered, such as case management and food
 - Rapid rehousing financial assistance and case management to assist with transition from non-congregate shelter to permanent housing
 - Homeless Prevention

Prioritization of Funds

- Adding Priority Need and Goal to Consolidated Plan and Annual Action Plan:
- COVID-19 Pandemic Response and Prevention



SUBSISTENCE
PAYMENTS
(RENTAL,
UTILITY AND
MORTGAGE
ASSISTANCE)



HOTEL/MOTEL
VOUCHERS



SUPPORTIVE
SERVICES



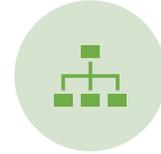
LEGAL SERVICES



EMERGENCY
SHELTER
PROJECTS:
OPERATIONAL
SUPPORT/ESSEN
TIAL SERVICES &
EXPANDED
STAFF



RAPID
REHOUSING



ADMINISTRATION

DSHA CARES Act Allocation

Community Development Block Grant (CDBG-CV)	Kent and Sussex Counties outside City of Dover	\$1,471,924
Community Development Block Grant (CDBG-CV2)	State of Delaware	\$3,228,336
Emergency Solutions Grants (ESG-CV)	Kent and Sussex Counties	\$807,114
Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA-CV)	Kent and Sussex Counties	\$45,703
	Total	\$5,553,077

Community Development Block Grant (CDBG-CV)

- **Eligible COVID-19 Relief Related Public Services:**
 - Homeless Services: Emergency sheltering vouchers for homeless persons to stay in hotels/motels.
 - Homelessness Prevention Services: Up to three months rental and/or utility assistance for low- and moderate-income households who have lost their jobs due to COVID-19.
 - Legal Services: Related to COVID-19 for homeless and low- and moderate-income households.
 - Senior/Elderly Food Programs: Food Purchase, Delivery, New Staff
 - Medical and Health Services: Supplies, Materials, Equipment, Operating Costs, and New Staff
 - COVID-19 Supplies, Materials, and New Staff
 - Other Essential Services: Will be considered on a case by case basis to determine eligibility

Sussex County CDBG-CV

Eligible CDBG Activities	Estimated Amount
Hotel/Motel Vouchers – DHSS & DSHA Partnership	\$627,767
COVID-19 Eligible Public Service Activities (i.e. Rental/Utility Assistance, Legal Services, Food Distribution, Medical Supplies)	\$250,000
Sussex County Administration	\$75,000
Total	\$952,767

Application Process & Eligibility

- Eligible Applicants:
 - Units of local government and non-profits
- Eligible Public Service Activities & Maximum Funding Requests
 - Hotel/Motel Vouchers - \$627,767 (DSSC only)
 - Subsistence Payments - \$150,000
 - Health Related Supportive Services - \$50,000
 - Food & Food Delivery - \$50,000
 - Legal Services - \$50,000

Application Process & Eligibility

- Examples of Eligible Activities
 - Legal Services
 - Counseling to help prevent or settle disputes between tenants and landlords
 - Health Related Supportive Services
 - Hand washing/sanitation stations and portable showers
 - Food Delivery
 - Food delivery to homeless individuals/families staying in hotels/motels
 - Subsistence Payments
 - 1-3 months emergency payments of rent, mortgage and utilities to prevent disconnect or prevent eviction
 - Hotel/Motel Vouchers
 - Room rentals provided to homeless persons to provide safe, stable, temporary shelter and the ability to maintain social distancing

Application Process & Eligibility

- Approved project expenses may be eligible for retroactive reimbursements back to April 4, 2020
- The public service activity MUST
 - Provide a new service for coronavirus needs; or
 - Provide a quantifiable increase in the level of service for Coronavirus needs above that which has been provided by the unit of local government

Sussex County Timeline

Public Comment
July 24 - July 31

Application Posting
August 10

Application Due Date
August 24

**Environmental
Review**

**Funding Award
and Disbursement**
September 2020

Sussex CDBG-CV Public Comment

- Public Comment begins Friday, July 24, 2020 and ends Friday, July 31, 2020
- Written comments may be addressed to:
Brandy Nauman
Fair Housing Compliance Officer
CD&H Department
P.O. Box 589
Georgetown, DE 19947
or bnauman@sussexcountyde.gov
- Written comments accepted until 4:30 pm on July 31, 2020



Questions??

Today's presentation, application, and DSHA's Substantial Amendment documents can be found on the County's website:
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public-notice-and-meetings](http://www.sussexcountyde.gov/public-notice-and-meetings)

