



2020/25 Consolidated Plan and 2020/21 Annual Action Plan
Substantial Amendment - Draft
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City of Hemet 2020-2025 Consolidated Plan Substantial Amendment

The following amendment language will be added to the 2020-2025 Consolidated Plan (Con Plan) to allow the City access to emergency funding intended to assist in making a timely response to the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic. The full text of the existing plan may be found at:

<http://www.hemetca.gov/DocumentCenter/View/6607>.

Executive Summary

ES-05 Executive Summary - 91.300(c), 91.320(b)

Introduction

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 Community Development Block Grant to support preparation for and response to the community impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic. To receive the additional funding from the CARES Act to prevent, prepare for, and respond to coronavirus the City of Hemet is completing a substantial amendment to its 2020-2025 Consolidated Plan (ConPlan) and 20/21 Annual Action Plan. The CARES Act funding plans were presented for public comment as part of the public comment period of the ConPlan.

This amendment to the City of Hemet’s 2020-2025 Consolidated Plan outlines the City’s funding priorities and strategies to address COVID-19 related impacts, using funds from HUD’s Community Development Block Grant CARES Act Stimulus (CDBG-CV). The City of Hemet was allocated \$542,529 in round 1 CDBG-CV funding. On September 11, 2020, the City of Hemet was allocated \$535,773 in round 3 CDBG-CV funding allocation. This amendment is to reallocate \$43,500 of CDBG-CV funds due to cancellation of one round 1 project.

This ConPlan amendment addresses the planning requirements for the additional funds as necessary for the Public Participation, Needs Assessment, and Strategic Plan sections. The Action Plan component is included in the 2020-2021 Annual Action Plan Amendment that is available for public comment concurrently with this document.

Summary of the objectives and outcomes identified in the Plan

Needs Assessment

Overview

The priorities for CDBG-CV funding due to COVID-19 are below.

- Addressing and preventing homelessness
- Increase economic development opportunities
- Maintain or improve public facilities and infrastructure
- Maintain or improve access to public services

Specific objectives related to each goal are discussed in Section SP 45. The above goals include response to the COVID-19 pandemic, and implementation of CARES Act funds.

Outcomes for the HUD funded programs are tracked by businesses, households and housing units, individual beneficiaries, and neighborhoods or target areas, depending on the type of activity, funding, and applicable national objective.

Summary of Citizen Participation Process and consultation process

Summary from citizen participation section of plan.

The Citizen Participation process did not significantly change for CDBG-CV funding. In order to develop and implement an effective plan the City actively engaged citizens, public agencies and other interested parties at all stages of the process. To encourage participation a variety of opportunities, such as public hearings, public meetings, surveys and workshops were offered during the consolidated planning process. These are described in greater detail in PR-15 Citizen Participation.

The City revised its Citizen Participation Plan to include language associated with Public Hearings during a Disaster, Public Notice during a Disaster, and Public Comment during a Disaster. This includes reference to the HUD waiver for the reduced public comment period due to COVID-19. The dates of the public comment period for CDBG-CV funding is reflected in the copies of the Public Notices published in the local newspaper in English and Spanish.

Citizen Participation

PR-05 Lead & Responsible Agencies 24 CFR 91.200(b)

Describe agency/entity responsible for preparing the Consolidated Plan and those responsible for administration of each grant program and funding source

The following are the agencies/entities responsible for preparing the Consolidated Plan and those responsible for administration of each grant program and funding source.

Agency Role	Name	Department/Agency
CDBG Administrator	Hemet	Finance

Table 1 – Responsible Agencies

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PR-15 Citizen Participation - 91.115, 91.300(c)

Summary of citizen participation process/Efforts made to broaden citizen participation Summarize citizen participation process and how it impacted goal-setting

As part of the CARES Act, HUD had waivers for the CDBG-CV and 2020 CDBG allocation of the public services cap and public comment period. These waivers are critical in ensuring that the funding can be used to help the intended people in the timeframe required for timely response to our community needs.

The public comment period for this ConPlan amendment is five days, as per HUD's waiver, to expedite the CARES Act funding to address the immediate needs facing the community impacted by the COVID-19 Pandemic. The draft 2020-2025 Consolidated Plan Substantial Amendment is available for comment from all interested parties from October 26, 2020, through October 30, 2020. The Consolidated Plan Substantial Amendment, Annual Action Plan Substantial Amendment, and Citizen Participation Plan will be provided on the City of Hemet's website, www.hemetca.gov, in addition to the public notices.

For the CDBG-CV amendment to reallocate funds, the draft 2020-2025 Consolidated Plan Substantial Amendment is available for comment from June 14, 2021, through June 18, 2021. The Consolidated Plan Substantial Amendment and Annual Action Plan Substantial Amendment will be provided on the City of Hemet's website, www.hemetca.gov, in addition to the public notices.

Submitting Public Comment

Please send written comments to: vallen@hemetca.gov

Comments may also be mailed to:

City of Hemet
Attn: Management Analyst
445 East Florida Ave
Hemet, CA 92543

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Citizen Participation Outreach

Sort Order	Mode of Outreach	Target of Outreach	Summary of Response/Attendance	Summary of Comments Received	Summary of Comments Not Accepted and Reasons	URL (if applicable)
14	Newspaper Ad	Minorities Non-English Speaking - Specify other language: Spanish Persons with disabilities Residents of Public and Assisted Housing	Public notice in 10/16/20 Press Enterprise and La Prensa newspaper for CDBG-CV3 funding availability with an October 17 through December 7, 2020 public comment period and January 26, 2021 Public Hearing for initial comments to notice of funding availability and community needs and priorities for CDBG-CV3 funds. Public Notices were posted on the City of Hemet website.	No written comments were received.	N/A	www.hemetca.gov

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15	Newspaper Ad	<p>Minorities</p> <p>Non-English Speaking - Specify other language: Spanish</p> <p>Persons with disabilities</p> <p>Residents of Public and Assisted Housing</p>	<p>Public notice in 1/1/21 Press Enterprise and La Prensa newspaper for CDBG-CV3 funding availability with a January 1 through January 25, 2021 public comment period and January 26, 2021 Public Hearing for initial comments to notice of funding availability and community needs and priorities for CDBG-CV3 funds. Public Notices were posted on the City of Hemet website.</p>	<p>No written comments were received.</p>	<p>N/A</p>	<p>www.hemetca.gov</p>
16	Public Hearing	<p>Minorities</p> <p>Non-English Speaking - Specify other language: Spanish</p> <p>Persons with disabilities</p> <p>Residents of Public and Assisted Housing</p>	<p>January 26, 2021 Public Hearing on the CDBG-CV3 funding availability and community needs and priorities.</p>	<p>No public comments were received.</p>	<p>N/A</p>	<p>www.hemetca.gov</p>

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17	Newspaper Ad	<p>Minorities</p> <p>Non-English Speaking - Specify other language: Spanish</p> <p>Persons with disabilities</p> <p>Residents of Public and Assisted Housing</p>	Public Notice in the Press Enterprise and La Prensa newspaper on February 12, 2021 for Public Hearing of the draft Substantial Amendment to 2020-2025 Consolidated Plan and draft Substantial Amendment to 20/21 Action Plan. Also posted on the City of Hemet website.	No written comments were received.	N/A	www.hemetca.gov
18	Public Hearing	<p>Minorities</p> <p>Non-English Speaking - Specify other language: Spanish</p> <p>Persons with disabilities</p> <p>Residents of Public and Assisted Housing</p>	February 23, 2021 Public Hearing of the draft Substantial Amendment to 2020-2025 Consolidated Plan and draft Substantial Amendment to 20/21 Action Plan	No public comments were received.	N/A	www.hemetca.gov

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19	Newspaper Ad	<p>Minorities</p> <p>Non-English Speaking - Specify other language: Spanish</p> <p>Persons with disabilities</p> <p>Residents of Public and Assisted Housing</p>	<p>Public Notice in the Press Enterprise on June 11, 2021, and La Prensa newspaper on June 12, 2021 for Public Hearing of the draft Substantial Amendment to 2020-2025 Consolidated Plan and draft Substantial Amendment to 20/21 Action Plan. Also posted on the City of Hemet website.</p>		N/A	www.hemetca.gov
20	Public Hearing	<p>Minorities</p> <p>Non-English Speaking - Specify other language: Spanish</p> <p>Persons with disabilities</p> <p>Residents of Public and Assisted Housing</p>	<p>June 22, 2021 Public Hearing of the draft Substantial Amendment to 2020-2025 Consolidated Plan and draft Substantial Amendment to 20/21 Action Plan</p>		N/A	www.hemetca.gov

Table 2 – Citizen Participation Outreach

Needs Assessment

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Needs Assessment Overview

Disease Outbreaks

As of October 6, 2020, the County of Riverside reported 60,867 confirmed cases of the COVID-19 novel coronavirus, with 1,244 deaths. The City of Hemet has 1,732 of these confirmed cases with 64 death (source: <https://www.rivcoph.org/coronavirus>).

As of February 8, 2021, the County of Riverside reported 280,170 confirmed cases of the COVID-19 novel coronavirus, with 3,320 deaths. The City of Hemet has 8,659 of these confirmed cases with 196 death (source: <https://www.rivcoph.org/coronavirus>).

As of May 12, 2021, the County of Riverside reported 299,376 confirmed cases of the COVID-19 novel coronavirus, with 4,590 deaths. The City of Hemet has 9,383 of these confirmed cases with 284 death (source: <https://www.rivcoph.org/coronavirus>).

Low and moderate-income individuals and families are more vulnerable to disease outbreaks than others in the community. This may be due to their limited access to health care providers, lack of income, and being a member of a vulnerable population associated with being immunocompromised and more vulnerable to infectious disease. The impact of the COVID-19 outbreak is unclear at this stage and it serves as a warning that these events may increase in frequency and severity for years to come.

Strategic Plan

SP-05 Overview

Strategic Plan Overview

The overall strategic goals of the City does not change with the CDBG-CV funding allocation. The priority need of COVID-19 Pandemic Response (CARES Act) has been added specifically for CDBG-CV funding to prevent, prepare for, and respond to coronavirus (COVID-19).

SP-25 Priority Needs – 91.315(a)(2)

Priority Needs

5	Priority Need Name	COVID-19 Pandemic Response (CARES Act)
	Priority Level	High
	Population	Income Level: Extremely Low, Low Non-homeless Special Needs: Elderly, Frail Elderly, Persons with Mental Disabilities, Persons with Physical Disabilities, Persons with Developmental Disabilities, Persons with Alcohol or Other Addictions, Persons with HIV/AIDS and their Families, Victims of Domestic Violence Homeless: Rural, Chronic Homelessness, Individuals, Families with Children, Mentally Ill, Chronic Substance Abuse, Veterans, Persons with HIV/AIDS, Victims of Domestic Violence, Unaccompanied Youth
	Geographic Areas Affected	City Wide
	Associated Goals	Addressing and preventing homelessness Economic Development Maintain or improve access to public services Maintain or improve access to public facilities Provide support services for community residents
	Description	To prevent, prepare for, and respond to coronavirus.

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Basis for Relative Priority	<p>In March 2020, the Coronavirus pandemic (COVID-19) began impacting the City of Hemet. The elderly, persons with underlying health conditions, and persons without access to housing were at particular risk of infection and death. The State of California initiated Shelter in Place orders and local communities followed suit. The Shelter in Place orders encouraged non-essential workers to shelter in their homes and to shut down all non-essential businesses. The population most vulnerable are left with limited resources to do the daily activities before the Shelter in Place orders were mandated. To keep this population safe, increased public services are needed to assist with rent/mortgage payments, assist with utility payments, assistance with meals and/or food delivery; in order to prevent homelessness and maintain health and safety of the community. The Shelter in Place orders have resulted in mass business shut-downs during this time period. The shutdowns have impacted non-essential services and resulted in mass unemployment. Essential businesses need assistance in preserving jobs during the shelter-in-place order. Businesses that have shut down will need support in re-opening and ramping back up into full operations, including both job retention and job creation efforts.</p>
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SP-35 Anticipated Resources - 91.215(a)(4), 91.220(c)(1,2)

Anticipated Resources

Program	Source of Funds	Uses of Funds	Expected Amount Available Year 1				Expected Amount Available Reminder of ConPlan \$	Narrative Description
			Annual Allocation: \$	Program Income: \$	Prior Year Resources: \$	Total: \$		
CDBG-CV	public - federal	Acquisition, Admin and Planning, Economic Development, Housing Public Improvements, Public Services	542,529	0	0	542,529	0	CDBG-CV funds to be used to prevent, prepare for, and respond to Coronavirus.
CDBG-CV3	public - federal	Acquisition, Admin and Planning, Economic Development, Housing Public Improvements, Public Services	535,773	0	0	535,773	0	CDBG-CV funds to be used to prevent, prepare for, and respond to Coronavirus.

Table 3 - Anticipated Resources

SP-45 Goals Summary – 91.215(a)(4)

Goals Summary Information

The Coronavirus pandemic has magnified the need for the City of Hemet to meet its existing goals rather than creating new goals.

Sort Order	Goal Name	Start Year	End Year	Category	Geographic Area	Needs Addressed	Funding	Goal Outcome Indicator
9	CV - Supportive Services	2020	2021	Non-Homeless Special Needs Non-Housing Community Development	City Wide	Non-Housing Community Development Non-Homeless Special Needs	CDBG-CV: \$238,029	Public service activities supporting response to COVID-19 Persons/Households Assisted - 662
10	CV - Planning and Administration	2020	2021	Planning and Administration	City Wide	Affordable Housing Homelessness Non-Housing Community Development	CDBG-CV: \$55,523	Other: 0 Other
11	CV – Homelessness Prevention	2020	2021	Affordable Housing Homeless Non-Homeless Special Needs Non-Housing Community Development	City Wide	Homelessness Non-Homeless Special Needs	CDBG-CV: \$424,750	Homelessness Prevention: Persons/Households Assisted – 225 Public service activities supporting response to COVID-19: Persons/Households Assisted - 90
12	CV – Economic Development	2020	2021		City Wide		CDBG-CV: \$360,000	Businesses Assisted: 36

Table 4 – Goals Summary

Annual Action Plan Amendment

The 2020-2021 Annual Action Plan Substantial Amendment, available for concurrent public comment, includes the specific planning requirements for the CARES Act funds, including the method of distribution. The 2020-2021 Annual Action Plan can be found at the following link: <http://www.hemetca.gov/DocumentCenter/View/6108>.

AP-15 Expected Resources - 91.220(c)(1,2)

Program	Source of Funds	Uses of Funds	Expected Amount Available Year 1				Expected Amount Available Reminder of ConPlan \$	Narrative Description
			Annual Allocation: \$	Program Income: \$	Prior Year Resources: \$	Total: \$		
CDBG-CV	public - federal	Acquisition, Admin and Planning, Economic Development, Housing Public Improvements, Public Services	542,529	0	0	542,529	0	CDBG-CV funds to be used to prevent, prepare for, and respond to Coronavirus.

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Program	Source of Funds	Uses of Funds	Expected Amount Available Year 1				Expected Amount Available Reminder of ConPlan \$	Narrative Description
			Annual Allocation: \$	Program Income: \$	Prior Year Resources: \$	Total: \$		
CDBG-CV3	public - federal	Acquisition, Admin and Planning, Economic Development, Housing Public Improvements, Public Services	535,773	0	0	535,773	0	CDBG-CV funds to be used to prevent, prepare for, and respond to Coronavirus.

AP-20 Annual Goals and Objectives

Goals Summary Information

Sort Order	Goal Name	Start Year	End Year	Category	Geographic Area	Needs Addressed	Funding	Goal Outcome Indicator
9	CV - Supportive Services	2020	2021	Non-Homeless Special Needs Non-Housing Community Development	City Wide	Non-Housing Community Development Non- Homeless Special Needs	CDBG-CV: \$236,029	Public service activities supporting response to COVID- 19 Persons/Households Assisted - 662
10	CV - Planning and Administration	2020	2021	Planning and Administration	City Wide	Affordable Housing Homelessness Non-Housing Community Development	CDBG-CV: \$55,523	Other: 0 Other
11	CV – Homelessness Prevention	2020	2021	Affordable Housing Homeless Non-Homeless Special Needs Non-Housing Community Development	City Wide	Homelessness Non- Homeless Special Needs	CDBG-CV: \$424,750	Homelessness Prevention: Persons/Households Assisted – 225 Public service activities supporting response to COVID- 19: Persons/Households Assisted - 90
12	CV – Economic Development	2020	2021		City Wide		CDBG-CV: \$360,000	Businesses Assisted: 36

Table 5 – Goals Summary

AP-35 Projects – 91.220(d)

Introduction

The 2020/21 CDBG-CV3 projects are added below.

Projects

#	Project Name
23	CV3 – Care-A-Van Food Delivery
24	CV3 – Valley Restart Shelter Emergency Shelter and Shelter Renovations
25	CV3 – COH City Manager’s Office Hemet Cares Business Support
26	CV3 – COH Administration

Table 6 – Project Information

Describe the reasons for allocation priorities and any obstacles to addressing underserved needs

The allocations for the amended 2020 Action Plan align with the Strategies identified in the amended 2020-2025 Consolidated Plan. Obstacles to addressing underserved needs can primarily be attributed to the lack of funding support available in the community to meet the demand in public services benefitting extremely low-, low-and moderate income persons due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The majority of the CDBG-CV funds allocated is going to public services where the necessity of services to the community is most needed. The CDBG-CV3 funds allocated are going into public services and economic development.

The reallocation of \$43,500 will be distributed to the Hemet Cares Business Support project and CV3-COH Administration for planning and administration. This amount was zeroed out of project #22 – Valley Restart Shelter Education Support.

AP-38 Project Summary

Project Summary Information

23	Project Name	CV3 – Care-A-Van Food Delivery
	Target Area	City Wide
	Goals Supported	CV – Supportive Services
	Needs Addressed	COVID-19 Pandemic Response (CARES Act)
	Funding	CDBG-CV: \$20,000
	Description	To make home food delivery available to seniors and adults with disability during COVID-19 pandemic
	Target Date	6/30/2021
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	This program benefit is for 100 residents from low to moderate income in Hemet.
	Location Description	This program is city-wide, although 100 residents are projected to be of low to moderate income. Care-A-Van Transit located at 749 N. State Street, Hemet, CA 92543.
	Planned Activities	Care-A-Van will work with local food banks, faith-based organizations, or Salvation Army to identify and provide direct food delivery to seniors’ homes and seniors will not need to leave their home during stay at home order or if they are home-bound.
24	Project Name	CV3 – Valley Restart Shelter Emergency Operations and Shelter Renovations
	Target Area	City Wide

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	Goals Supported	CV – Homelessness Prevention
	Needs Addressed	COVID-19 Pandemic Response (CARES Act)
	Funding	CDBG-CV: \$149,750
	Description	Emergency Shelter Operations and shelter renovations at Valley Restart Shelter
	Target Date	6/30/2021
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	This program benefit is for 300 residents from low to moderate income in Hemet.
	Location Description	Valley Restart Shelter is located at 200 E. Menlo Ave, Hemet, CA 92543.
	Planned Activities	The funding will support VRS shelter operations in the amount of \$136,750 to include staffing costs, maintenance and repair costs, transportation/fuel, utilities and food. The shelter renovations are to rehabilitate the facility to ensure social distancing in the facility due to COVID-19 and allow for increased circulation of air within the facility.
25	Project Name	CV3 – COH City Manager’s Office
	Target Area	City Wide
	Goals Supported	CV – Economic Development
	Needs Addressed	COVID-19 Pandemic Response (CARES Act)
	Funding	CDBG-CV: \$360,000
	Description	To assist small businesses within the City of Hemet affected by COVID-19 pandemic.
	Target Date	6/30/2021

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	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	This program benefit is for 36 business in the City of Hemet.
	Location Description	This program is city-wide. The Hemet City Hall office is located at 445 E. Florida Ave, Hemet, CA 92543.
	Planned Activities	The City of Hemet will provide small grants to businesses within the City of Hemet affected by COVID-19 pandemic. The grant funding can assist with items such as retaining low to moderate income employees, purchase of personal protective equipment, disinfection practices, and past due rent.
26	Project Name	CV3-COH Administrative Services
	Target Area	City Wide
	Goals Supported	CV - Planning and Administration
	Needs Addressed	Non-Housing Community Development, COVID-19 Pandemic Response (CARES Act)
	Funding	CDBG-CV: \$49,523
	Description	Planning and execution of community development activities related to the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG-CV3).
	Target Date	6/30/2021
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	The City of Hemet 2020/21 CDBG-CV programs will benefit low and moderate income residents
	Location Description	Benefits the City as a whole, primary office location at 445 E. Florida Ave Hemet CA 92543
	Planned Activities	Planning and administration of CDBG-CV eligible activities