

# Provide feedback on a Substantial Amendment to the 2019 Annual affordable housing and community development plan

Hennepin County is seeking feedback on a **Substantial Amendment** to the 2019 Annual Action Plan. The Annual Plan that guide the use of funds from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for affordable housing and community development in suburban cities:

- **The 2019 Action Plan** shows specifically how Hennepin County and partner cities plan to use approximately \$5 million in federal funds on affordable housing and community development projects over the coming year. ([View the original Plan](#))

This draft Amendment to the Plan proposes the use of funds Hennepin County will receive two special allocations of funds, under the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES Act), Public Law 116-136, which was signed by President Trump on March 27, 2020, to respond to the growing effects of this historic public health crisis. The CARES Act, to be used to prevent, prepare for, and respond to the coronavirus (COVID-19). They include the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG-CV), which all will be used for emergency assistance under public services and up to 10 percent will be used for general program administration. The other is the Emergency Solutions Grants (ESG-CV) Program funds details yet to be determined, but will be used among individuals and families who are homeless or receiving homeless assistance; and to support additional homeless assistance and homelessness prevention activities to mitigate the impacts of COVID-19 and possibly up to 10 percent will be used for program administration. The federal housing and development funds in all but three suburban cities: Bloomington, Eden Prairie, and Plymouth. These cities receiving CDBG-CV funding directly from HUD and prepare their own amendments to the 2019 or 2020 action plans, which are included in the original Consortium Document. The city of Minneapolis has a separate planning and reporting process, which can be found [here](#).

## Comment on the draft plan Amendment

### Public Comment Period

Hennepin County will open a minimum 5-day public Comment Period to gather comments and feedback on the draft Amended Plan on May 1, 2020.

If you need help such as a language interpreter to participate in the public comment period.

**Submit written comments by May 7**

You may also submit written comments on the plans, due by 4:30 p.m. on Thursday May 7.

Send written comments to:

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