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**BUDGET AMENDMENT REQUEST****BAR# 20-052**

TO: Seminole County Board of County Commissioners

FROM: Department of Resource Management

SUBJECT: Budget Amendment Resolution

Dept / Program: Community Services Department

Fund(s): CDBG-CORONAVIRUS

**RM Recommendation**Budget Analyst Date  
**G Woodring 4/14/2020**

Budget Manager Date

Director Date

**PURPOSE:**

To establish and fund Community Development Block Grant -Coronavirus Grant (CDBG-CV) and Emergency Shelter Grant (ESG-CV). This allocation was authorized by 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.

**ACTION:** Approval and authorization for the Chairman to execute Budget Amendment Resolution.

In accordance with Section 129.06(2), Florida Statutes, it is recommended that the following accounts in the County budget be adjusted by the amounts set forth herein for the purpose described.

Type	Fund	Business Unit	Object Account	Sub-sidiary	Account Type	Subledger	Long Item No	Amount
Revenue								
Revenue	11901	06650320	331540		Community Development Blk Grant		3315400001	\$ 1,238,297
Revenue	11904	06680320	331550		Emergency Shelter Grant		3315500001	\$ 591,952
Revenue								

**Total Sources \$ 1,830,249**

Expenditure	11901	06650320	530490		Other Charges/Obligations	W90000320	4909999902	\$ 27,659
Expenditure	11901	06650320	540104		County Labor Grant	W90000320	1049999904	\$ 220,000
Expenditure	11901	06650320	580833		Other Grants & Aids/Individuals	W90000320	8339999901	\$ 990,638
Expenditure	11904	06680320	530490		Other Charges/Obligations	W90000320	4909999902	\$ 9,195
Expenditure	11904	06680320	540104		County Labor Grant	W90000320	1049999904	\$ 50,000
Expenditure	11904	06680320	580833		Other Grants & Aids/Individuals	W90000320	8339999901	\$ 532,757
Expenditure								

**Expenditure Sub-Total \$ 1,830,249**

Reserve

Reserve

**Reserve Sub-Total \$ -****Total Uses \$ 1,830,249****BUDGET AMENDMENT RESOLUTION**

This Resolution, 2020-R-\_\_\_\_\_ approving the above requested budget amendment, was adopted at the regular meeting of the Board of County Commissioners of Seminole County, Florida \_\_\_\_\_ as reflected in the minutes of this meeting.

Attest:

By:

Grant Maloy, Clerk to the Board of County Commissioners

Jay Zembower, Chairman

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Entered by the Office of Management and Budget

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Posted by the County Comptroller's Office

Date: \_\_\_\_\_



ASSISTANT SECRETARY FOR  
COMMUNITY PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

**U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT**  
WASHINGTON, DC 20410-7000

April 2, 2020

The Honorable John Horan  
Chair, Board of Commissioners of Seminole County  
1101 E 1st Street  
Sanford, FL 32771-1468

Dear Chair, Board of Commissioners Horan:

I am pleased to inform you of a special allocation to your jurisdiction of Community Development Block Grant funds to be used to prevent, prepare for, and respond to the coronavirus (COVID-19). This allocation was authorized by 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 made available \$5 billion in Community Development Block Grant Coronavirus (CDBG-CV) funds. Of this amount, the Department is immediately allocating \$2 billion based on the fiscal year 2020 CDBG formula. The remaining \$3 billion shall be allocated based on needs using best available data, in the following tranches: \$1 billion shall be allocated to States and insular areas within 45 days of enactment of the Cares Act, and \$2 billion shall be distributed to states and local governments at the discretion of the Secretary. Up to \$10 million will be set aside for technical assistance. Given the immediate needs faced by our communities, the Department has announced the first allocation of funds. Your jurisdiction's allocation is **\$1,238,297.**

The CARES Act adds additional flexibility for both the CDBG-CV grant and, in some cases, for the annual FY2020 CDBG grants in these unprecedented times. The public comment period is reduced to not less than 5 days, grantees may use virtual public hearings when necessary for public health reasons, the public services cap is suspended during the emergency, and States and local governments may reimburse costs of eligible activities incurred for pandemic response regardless of the date.

In addition, the CARES Act authorizes the Secretary to grant waivers and alternative requirements of statutes and regulations the Secretary administers in connection with the use of CDBG-CV funds and fiscal year 2019 and 2020 CDBG funds (except for requirements related to fair housing, nondiscrimination, labor standards, and the environment). Waivers and alternative requirements can be granted when necessary to expedite and facilitate the use of funds to prevent, prepare for, and respond to coronavirus.

The Department is developing a notice that will further describes the CARES Act's provisions, a Quick Guide to the CARES Act flexibilities and other provisions, and other resources

to enable swift implementation of CDBG-CV grants. As these become available, they will be posted on HUD's website and distributed to grantees. The Department will also support grantees with technical assistance.

As you develop your plan for the use of these grant funds, we encourage you to consider approaches that prioritize the unique needs of low- and moderate-income persons and the development of partnerships between all levels of government and the private for-profit and non-profit sectors. You should coordinate with state and local health authorities before undertaking any activity to support state or local pandemic response. CDBG-CV grants will be subject to oversight, reporting, and requirements that each grantee have adequate procedures to prevent the duplication of benefits. HUD will provide guidance and technical assistance on DOB and regarding prevention of fraud, waste, and abuse and documenting the impact of this program for beneficiaries.

The Office of Community Planning and Development (CPD) is looking forward to working with you to successfully meet the urgent and complex challenges faced by our communities. If you or any member of your staff has questions, please contact your local CPD Field Office Director or [CPDQuestionsAnswered@hud.gov](mailto:CPDQuestionsAnswered@hud.gov).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'John Gibbs', with a stylized, flowing script.

John Gibbs  
Acting Assistant Secretary  
for Community Planning and Development  
U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development



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Dear Chair, Board of Commissioners Horan:

I am pleased to inform you of special Emergency Solutions Grants (ESG) Program funds HUD is allocating to your jurisdiction in the amount of \$591,952, as authorized by the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES Act), Public Law 116-136. These special ESG-CV funds are to be used to prevent, prepare for, and respond to the coronavirus pandemic (COVID-19) 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.

President Trump signed the CARES Act on March 27, 2020 to help the Nation respond to the coronavirus outbreak. The CARES Act made available an additional \$4 billion in ESG-CV funds to supplement the Fiscal Year (FY) 2020 ESG funding provided under the Further Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2020 (Public Law 116-94). Of this amount, the Department is immediately allocating \$1 billion for ESG-CV grants based on the FY 2020 ESG formula. The rest of the funding for ESG-CV grants will be allocated directly to States or units of local government by a separate formula developed by the Secretary. Up to \$40 million of the additional funds will be set aside for technical assistance.

Given the immediate needs faced by our communities, the Department has announced the first allocation of funds, which are subject to the following flexibilities and conditions provided by the CARES Act:

- The funds may be used to cover or reimburse allowable costs incurred by a State or locality before the award of funding (including prior to the signing of the CARES Act) to prevent, prepare for, and respond to COVID-19;
- The funds are not subject to the spending cap on emergency shelter and outreach under 24 CFR 576.100(b)(1);
- Up to 10 percent of funds may be used for administrative costs, as opposed to 7.5 percent as provided by 24 CFR 576.108(a);
- The funds are exempt from the ESG match requirements, including 24 CFR 576.201;
- The funds are not subject to the consultation and citizen participation requirements that otherwise apply to the Emergency Solutions Grants, however each recipient must

publish how its allocation has and will be used, at a minimum, on the Internet at the appropriate Government web site or through other electronic media;

- The funds may be used to provide homelessness prevention assistance (as authorized under 24 CFR 576.103 or subsequent HUD notices) to any individual or family who does not have income higher than HUD's Very Low-Income Limit for the area and meets the criteria in paragraphs (1)(ii) and (1)(iii) of the "at risk of homelessness" definition in 24 CFR 576.3;
- That recipients may deviate from applicable procurement standards when using these funds to procure goods and services to prevent, prepare for, and respond to coronavirus, notwithstanding 24 CFR 576.407(f) and 2 CFR 200.317-200.326;
- While we encourage you to offer treatment and supportive services when necessary to assist vulnerable homeless populations, individuals and families experiencing homelessness must not be required to receive treatment or perform any other prerequisite activities as a condition for receiving shelter, housing, or other services for which these funds are used, notwithstanding 24 CFR 576.401(e).

In addition, the Act authorizes the Secretary to grant waivers of and specify alternative requirements for statutes and regulations the Secretary administers in connection with the use of ESG funds (except for requirements related to fair housing, nondiscrimination, labor standards, and the environment). These waivers and alternative requirements can be issued when necessary to expedite and facilitate the use of funds to prevent, prepare for, and respond to coronavirus.

The Department is developing a notice that will further lay out the CARES Act provisions and other waivers and requirements to enable swift implementation of additional ESG-CV grants. This notice and any subsequent notices of waivers and alternative requirements will be made available on HUD's website and distributed to grantees. The Department will also support grantees with technical assistance.

As your jurisdiction develops its plan to use these grant funds, HUD encourages approaches that prioritize the unique needs of persons experiencing homelessness and the development of partnerships between all levels of government and the private for-profit and non-profit sectors. Your jurisdiction should coordinate with State and local health authorities before undertaking any activity to support state or local pandemic response. HUD encourages you to share successes that may help other grantees. Like other supplemental funding, ESG-CV grants are subject to oversight and tracking, such as requirements to prevent the duplication of benefits. We look forward to working with you to prevent fraud, waste, and abuse and to document the impact of this program for beneficiaries.

Importantly, proper reporting in the Integrated Disbursement and Information System (IDIS) is critical to ensuring grantees are complying with program requirements and policies, providing demographic and income information about the persons who benefit from funded activities, and allowing HUD to monitor recipients. Your jurisdiction's ongoing attention is essential to ensuring complete and accurate reporting of performance measurement data.

HUD's Office of Community Planning and Development (CPD) is looking forward to working with your jurisdiction to successfully meet the urgent and complex challenges faced by our communities. If you or your staff has questions, please contact your local CPD Field Office Director or [CPDQuestionsAnswered@hud.gov](mailto:CPDQuestionsAnswered@hud.gov).

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