



City of Gastonia, NC

Substantial Amendment to the PY 2020-2023 Annual Action Plans

(as related to the 2020 - 2024 Consolidated Plan)

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Cover Sheet

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Introduction

The Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program is a flexible program that provides states and units of local government with financial resources to develop viable communities. Grants are provided annually on a formula basis. With the use of these funds, local governments are able to providing decent housing, a suitable living environment, and opportunities to expand economic opportunities, principally for low- and moderate-income persons.

The HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME) provides formula grants to states and localities that communities use - often in partnership with local nonprofit groups - to fund a wide range of activities including building, buying, and/or rehabilitating affordable housing for rent or homeownership or providing direct rental assistance to low-income people. HOME is the largest federal block grant to state and local governments designed exclusively to create affordable housing for low-income households. HOME funds are awarded annually as formula grants to participating jurisdictions (PJs).

The *City of Gastonia* is an Entitlement Community (EC) and a Participating Jurisdiction (PJ) that annually receives Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and HOME Investment Partnership (HOME) Funding. This is the third substantial amendment to the *PY 2020, 2021, 2022, and 2023 Annual Action Plans*.

Purpose

The purpose of this proposed amendment to the PY2020-2023 Annual Action Plans is to:

1. *Fulfill federal requirements, and*
2. *Provide information to the residents of the City of Gastonia.*

An amendment is necessary to allow the change in projects proposed for the use of federal HUD funding as required by *Title 24 of the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), Section 91.505*. The purpose of this amendment is to describe the City's additional outlined projects.

Citizens Participation

Citizen participation is a requirement of the CDBG Program (*24 CFR 91.105*). The City executed the Citizen Participation Plan and provides opportunity for public input throughout the development and approval of the amendment. Citizens are encouraged to engage in public discussion and are notified of both the public hearing and public comment period via the local newspaper publication, *The Gaston Gazette*, and postings on the City's website <https://gastonianc.gov/> on the events calendar and on the Housing and Community Engagement web page.

Notice of Public Hearing

- ✓ **Monday, April 8, 2024 at 6:00 PM**
City of Gastonia- Garland Municipal Business Center
150 S. York Street – Room 233
Gastonia, NC 28052

City of Gastonia, Amendment to the PY2020, 21, 22, and 23 AAPs

Public Hearings will be held to review the City of Gastonia’s proposed substantial amendment to its PY2020 - 2023 Annual Action Plans. The public hearing will provide an opportunity for residents to comment on the proposed action.

30-Day Public Comment Period

Notice of 30-Day Public Comment Period: Friday, March 29, 2024 – Monday, April 29, 2024. A 30-day public comment period regarding the City’s proposed substantial amendment to its *PY2020-2023 Annual Action Plans*. Approval of the proposed amendment is scheduled for Tuesday, May 7, 2024, at the regularly scheduled City Council meeting to be held at 6:00 PM at City Hall Council Chambers, 181 S. South Street, Gastonia, NC 28052.

Detailed Summary of Proposed Amendment

Proposed activities are eligible per 24 CFR 92.205 of the HOME Investment Partnership Program and per 24 CFR 570.201 of the CDBG Entitlement Program regulations and comply with the national objective to benefit low- and moderate-income persons.

In order to most efficiently utilize grant funding remaining from prior years, the City of Gastonia is proposing to reallocate funds from projects that are no longer active to currently active projects. As a result, the City is proposing to reallocate \$47,822 of earmarked funds for CDBG – Human Management Information System (HMIS) to Housing Rehabilitation projects. The City also proposes to reallocate \$2,600 of earmarked funds for CDBG – Hope 4 Gaston project to Housing Rehabilitation. Additionally, the City is proposing to reallocate \$10,001 from Demolition and Clearance projects to Public Facility Improvements (\$5,001) and Acquisition (\$5,000). As a result, the total amount of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds being proposed for reallocation in this amendment is \$60,423.

The City of Gastonia is also proposing to reallocate prior year funding in the HOME Investment Partnership (HOME) program. The City proposes to reallocate \$29,122 of Community Housing Development Organization (CHDO) – Operating/Capacity Building project funds to New Construction projects. New Construction projects allow opportunity for building new affordable housing in Gastonia for low- to moderate-income households. The total amount of HOME funds being proposed for reallocation in this amendment is \$29,122.

The following table breaks down the proposed reallocation of funds based on Funding Source and Program Year (PY).

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JURISDICTION/GRANTEE:					
City of Gastonia					
ANNUAL ACTION PLAN (PROGRAM YEAR FUNDS)	FUNDING SOURCE	CURRENT PROJECT DESCRIPTION	CURRENT PROJECT FUNDING REDUCTION	PROPOSED PROJECT DESCRIPTION	PROPOSED PROJECT FUNDING INCREASE
2020	CDBG	Human Management Information System (HMIS)	(\$20,000)	Housing Rehabilitation	\$20,000
2020	CDBG	Demolition and Clearance	(\$5,001)	Public Facilities	\$5,001
2020	CDBG	Demolition and Clearance	(\$5,000)	Acquisition	\$5,000
2020	CDBG	Hope 4 Gaston	(\$2,000)	Housing Rehabilitation	\$2,000
2021	CDBG	Human Management Information System (HMIS)	(\$16,822)	Housing Rehabilitation	\$16,822
2021	CDBG	Hope 4 Gaston	(\$500)	Housing Rehabilitation	\$500
2022	CDBG	Human Management Information System (HMIS)	(\$10,000)	Housing Rehabilitation	\$10,000
2022	CDBG	Hope 4 Gaston	(\$100)	Housing Rehabilitation	\$100
2023	CDBG	Human Management Information System (HMIS)	(\$1,000)	Housing Rehabilitation	\$1,000
		TOTAL CDBG FUNDS TO REALLOCATE	(\$60,423)		\$60,423
ANNUAL ACTION PLAN (PROGRAM YEAR FUNDS)	FUNDING SOURCE	CURRENT PROJECT DESCRIPTION	CURRENT PROJECT FUNDING REDUCTION	PROPOSED PROJECT DESCRIPTION	PROPOSED PROJECT FUNDING INCREASE
2020	HOME	CHDO - Operating/Capacity Building	(\$29,122)	New Construction	\$29,122
		TOTAL HOME FUNDS TO REALLOCATE	(\$29,122)		\$29,122

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