 PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

- The County of Passaic has issued an application for Community Development Block Grant-CV (CDBG-CV) funding. CDBG-CV funding was authorized by the Coronavirus Aid, relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES Act), Public Law 116-136, to respond to the growing effect of the current public health crisis.

- The County anticipates receiving approximately $537,434 from CDBG-CV funding which will be added to the Fiscal Year 2019 Annual Plan, as a substantial amendment.

 PROGRAM INFORMATION

- The application is due by June 23, 2020, 4:00 PM to the Passaic County Division of Economic Development, Department of Planning and Economic Development via email only at passaiccountyCARES@passaiccountynj.org to be eligible for funding consideration.

- Applications can be downloaded from the Passaic County COVID-19 Relief website: https://www.passaiccountynj.org/government/departments/health/current_health_alerts.php#Relief

- Matching funds are not required.

- All items purchased with CDBG-CV funds must be competitively procured whether by bid or quote.

- For additional information or to address questions please email: ecodev@passaiccountynj.org

 ELIGIBLE APPLICANTS

- Funding will be allocated to eligible non-profit agencies for projects implemented in the twelve (12) participating communities of the HUD Urban County managed by Passaic County staff which include:
  
  - Bloomingdale
  - Haledon
  - Hawthorne
  - Little Falls
  - North Haledon
  - Pompton Lakes
  - Prospect Park
  - Ringwood
  - Totowa
  - Wanaque
  - West Milford
  - Woodland Park

- Non-profit agencies located in Passaic City, Paterson, Clifton and Wayne Township must offer a program in the 12 participating municipalities above. Programs that are solely offered in Passaic City, Paterson, Clifton and Wayne are ineligible as those municipalities receive and administer their own separate HUD CDBG grants.

For information on Eligible and Ineligible Activities please see page 2
ELIGIBLE ACTIVITIES

- The proposed project must provide substantial community benefits for preventive measures of spreading the Covid-19 virus, and/or that aid in the response to the negative impacts of COVID-19.

- Projects funded with CDBG-CV funds must not duplicate funding from other federal and state resources for the same activity.

- Funding with this special CDBG-CV allocation must address eligibility and the national objective to assist low- and moderate-income individuals for each project as defined by HUD as outlined in Exhibit B “National Objective Qualifiers” in the grant application document.

- The funds will require income self-certification for some services unless the program directly benefits clientele in one of the following groups:
  - Abused children
  - Elderly persons
  - Battered spouses
  - Homeless persons
  - Illiterate living with AIDS
  - Migrant farm workers
  - Adults meeting the US Census Bureau’s definition of severely disabled persons;

- Eligible types of service projects include:
  - Rental assistance
  - Utility Assistance
  - Testing for COVID-19
  - Providing housing
  - Support services for individuals that are COVID-19 positive
  - Deliver meals / food to quarantined eligible individuals or individuals that need to maintain social distancing due to medical vulnerabilities

INELIGIBLE ACTIVITIES

- The CDBG-CV grant program WILL NOT fund the following activities:
  - Salaries of administrative/supervisory personnel, or any personnel not delivering a direct benefit to prevent, prepare for, and respond to COVID-19
  - Overhead costs unless exclusively used for the COVID-19 response activity
  - Food for staff
  - Capital improvements/repairs
  - Fundraising losses to your general fund

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