

PUBLIC NOTICE
Public Hearings - Proposed 2019 Annual Action Plan
City of Bryan, Texas

The city's Community Development Services (CDS) Dept. has prepared a draft **2019 Annual Action Plan (AAP)**. The City will hold one public hearing to satisfy requirements for the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and Home Investment Partnerships Program (HOME). A second Public Hearing will be held to solicit input regarding fair housing/affirmative marketing. These hearings will be held: Thursday, June 27, 2019 at the Bryan Municipal Office Building, Basement Training Room, 300 S. Texas Avenue, Bryan, Texas at 6:00 P.M. A comment period for the AAP will occur from June 27, 2019 through July 29, 2019. The proposed 2019 AAP will be submitted to the Bryan City Council for action at its tentatively scheduled July 9, 2019 meeting and to the U.S. Dept. of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) no later than August 15, 2019. Project funding will be available and committed beginning October 1, 2019. The agenda is as follows:

**COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE
AGENDA**

REGULAR PUBLIC MEETING and PUBLIC HEARINGS
Thursday, June 27, 2019 - 6:00 P.M.
Bryan Municipal Office Building, Basement Training Room
300 S. Texas Avenue, Bryan, Texas 77803

1. Call to Order Public Meeting
2. Recognition of Affidavits filed in Response to State Law on Disclosure of Local Citizens Conflict of Interest
3. Approval of the Minutes from May 21, 2019 Public Meeting
4. Call to Order Public Hearings
 - A. Open Public Hearing I
 - a. Summary of Draft 2019 Annual Action Plan for Community Development Block Grant and Home Investment Partnerships Program funds: Presentation by Community Development Staff
 - b. Public Comments
 - c. Committee Comments
 - B. Close Public Hearing I
 - C. Open Public Hearing II
 - a. Fair Housing/Affirmative Marketing Plan: Presentation by Community Development Staff
 - b. Public Comments
 - c. Committee Comments
 - D. Close Public Hearing II
5. Break – Reconvene Regular Meeting
6. Hear Citizens
7. Presentation, Discussion, and Possible Action on Community Development Services Department Programs
 - A. Minor Repair and Homebuyer Assistance
 - B. Major Rehabilitation/Reconstruction
 - C. Housing Developments
 - D. Public Services, Public Facilities/Infrastructure, and Administration
8. Adjournment

The 2019 AAP was developed through a community participation process and in response to prioritized needs described in the 2015-19 Consolidated Plan (CP). The AAP is required by HUD when funds are received from the following grants: CDBG; HOME; ESG (Emergency Solutions Grant); or HOPWA (Housing Opportunities for People with AIDS) grant. The City receives CDBG and HOME funds.

The City has been notified by HUD it will receive \$848,059 of CDBG and \$339,499 of HOME funds for the PY2019. Not less than 70% of grant funds must benefit low- and moderate-income (LMI) persons. The City expects to meet or exceed HUD's minimum required LMI benefit. CDBG / HOME funds must address at least one of HUD's three National Objectives: Benefit Low- to Moderate-Income Individuals; Eliminate Slum or Blight; Meet an Urgent Community Need. Program performance will be evaluated against HUD's three basic Statutory Goals: Decent Housing; A Suitable Living Environment; Expanded Economic Opportunities. HUD Section 108 Loan Guarantee Program activities are not intended. Up to five (5) times the annual Block Grant can be requested for eligible activities, if it is determined there is a need.

**City of Bryan 2019 Annual Action Plan
Proposed Projects/Activities**

CDBG Projects: Relation to 2015-19 Consolidated Plan and Funds Leveraged **Total CDBG Allocation: \$848,059.00**
It is anticipated that \$19,000.00 in program income will also be available during PY2019 from the grantee, with no program income from sub-recipients. Because the City is both, a CDBG Entitlement City and HOME Participating Jurisdiction, the proposed uses of funds for each grant are listed separately. The 2019 AAP proposes the following CDBG funded projects:

1. **Homeowner Housing Assistance (\$551,240.00)** - Addresses Objectives 1, 2, 3 & 4 of the Affordable Housing Plan and Objective 1 & 2 of the Homeless Plan of Bryan's CP. While CDBG is primary funding source, rehabilitation/reconstruction recipients contribute to project costs. Funds will provide a minimum of 21 households housing assistance in a variety of ways, to include: infrastructure, housing developments, replacement, handicap accessibility, minor repair, acquisition, voluntary demolition, homebuyer assistance, staff program delivery, and other costs necessary to carry out program activities (Outcome objective: decent housing availability/accessibility).
2. **Administration (\$169,611.00)** - Expenses related to administration of CDBG and HOME programs.
3. **Public Service Agency Funding (\$127,208.00)** -The following projects address Objective 1 of the Non-Housing Plan of Bryan's 2015-19 CP (Outcome objective codes: suitable living environment, availability/accessibility).
 - a. Bryan Parks and Recreation Summer Camp Program (interdepartmental funding) (\$35,000.00) – Provides for eligible expenses (salaries, supplies, equipment, and transportation). Offered in neighborhood parks and provides educational, social, and recreational activities to approximately 625 unduplicated clients. CDBG represents 100% of this activity's budget.
 - b. Family Promise of Bryan-College Station (\$27,000.00) - Provides for eligible expenses (Case Manager). Program provides case management and support services for families following placement of homeless clients. The program will serve an estimated 145 unduplicated clients. CDBG represents approximately 77% of this activity's budget.

- c. Unlimited Potential – Home Base for Transitioning Foster Youth Program (\$9,336.00) (City of College Station providing an addition \$13,664.00 for a total funding of \$23,000.00) - Provides for eligible expenses (Project Coordinator salary and/or benefits) for youth aging out and young adults that have aged out of the foster care system). The program will serve an estimated 20 unduplicated clients. Combined Bryan and College Station CDBG funding represents approximately 31% of this activity's budget.
- d. Catholic Charities Financial Stability Program (\$16,622.00) – Provides for eligible expenses (rent and utility assistance for individuals who are potentially facing eviction or an emergency financial crisis). The program assists clients with direct financial stability assistance, financial education and financial case management. The program will serve an estimated 450 unduplicated clients. CDBG represents approximately 12 % of this activity's budget.
- e. Brazos Valley Rehabilitation Center, Counseling and Case Management Program (\$21,000.00) - Provides for eligible expenses (contracted licensed clinical social worker hours) to provide treatment, consultation, and referral services to clients. The program will serve an estimated 212 unduplicated clients. CDBG represents approximately 57% of this activity's budget.
- f. Brazos County Health District – Community Access Resources for Equitable Services (\$18,250.00) - Provides for eligible expenses (medical equipment and medical supplies). This program provides providing testing, family planning, and education to medically indigent persons. The program will serve an estimated 100 unduplicated clients. CDBG represents approximately 52% of this activity's budget.

HOME Projects: Relation to 2015-19 Consolidated Plan and Funds Leveraged

Total HOME Allocation: \$339,499.00

An estimated \$65,000.00 in program income will also be available during PY2019 from the grantee, with no program income from sub-recipients. Funds become available October 1, 2019. Funds are used for eligible housing programs and are meant to: provide decent affordable housing to lower-income households; expand the capacity of non-profit housing providers; strengthen the ability of state and local governments to provide housing; and to leverage private-sector participation. The 2019 AAP proposes the following HOME funded projects:

1. **Home Owner Housing Assistance (\$176,780.25)** - Addresses Objective 1 of the Affordable Housing Plan of Bryan's CP to assist families with major housing rehabilitation/reconstruction. A minimum of 2 households targeted citywide for assistance. (Outcome objectives: decent housing/sustainability).
2. **Down Payment Assistance/Acquisition (\$77,844.00)** - Addresses Objective 2 of the Affordable Housing Plan of Bryan's CP. A minimum of 10 households target citywide for assistance (Outcome objectives: decent housing/affordability).
3. **Community Housing Development Organizations (CHDO) (\$50,924.85)** - Addresses Objectives 1, 3 & 4 of the Affordable Housing Plan and Objective 1 & 2 of the Homeless Plan of Bryan's CP with 1 CHDO funded (non-profit whose mission is affordable housing) activity targeted (Outcome objectives: decent housing/affordability).
4. **Administration (\$33,949.90)** - Expenses related to administration of HOME programs.

Match Requirements

The city's HOME match requirement has been waived. Estimated HOME leveraging is anticipated to be \$1.2 million.

Citizens wanting to comment on the plans and/or programs may do so during the Public Comment Period (June 27, 2019 through July 29, 2019) by mailing written comments to the Bryan Community Development Services Dept., P.O. Box 1000, Bryan, TX 77805, or by calling (979) 209-5175, or by visiting the CDS Office at 1803 Greenfield Plaza., Bryan, TX. Office hours are 8:00 A.M. until 5:00 P.M., Monday through Friday. A draft of the 2019 AAP will be available for review at the CDS Office and on the web at: <http://www.bryantx.gov/community-development>. Citizens interested in addressing the Bryan City Council on the proposed plan, programs, and funding recommendations, may do so at the tentatively scheduled July 9, 2019 council meeting, 6:00 P.M., Council Chambers, Bryan Municipal Building, during the "Citizens to be Heard" portion of the agenda.

FOR INFORMATION ON SIGN LANGUAGE INTERPRETATION, TDD OR OTHER TRANSLATION OR ACCESSIBILITY INFORMATION, PLEASE CONTACT THE CITY OF BRYAN CITY SECRETARY'S OFFICE AT 209-5002 AT LEAST 48 HOURS BEFORE THE SCHEDULED TIME OF THE MEETING SO THAT YOUR REQUEST MAY BE ACCOMMODATED.

PARA INFORMACIÓN EN LA INTERPRETACIÓN DE LENGUAJE POR SEÑAS, TDD O OTRA INFORMACIÓN DE TRADUCCIÓN O ACCESIBILIDAD, POR FAVOR CONTACTE LA OFICINA DE LA SECRETARIA DE LA CIUDAD DE BRYAN AL 979-209-5002 POR LO MENOS 48 HORAS ANTES DEL TIEMPO PLANIFICADO DE LA REUNIÓN PARA QUE SU PETICIÓN PUEDA SER ACOMODADA.