

**A SUBSTANTIAL AMENDMENT TO THE CITY  
OF FOND DU LAC'S FY 2019 COMMUNITY  
DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT ANNUAL  
ACTION PLAN/FIVE-YEAR CONSOLIDATED  
PLAN  
Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES)  
Funding**

**A. General Information**

Jurisdiction: City of Fond du Lac, Wisconsin

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The City of Fond du Lac proposes to amend the above Action Plan and Consolidated Plan for the purpose of allocating new Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act funding in the amount of \$335,496. The CARES ACT CDBG-CV Funding is proposed to be allocated as follows:

**B. CDBG/CARES Information by Activity**

**Activities:**

(1) Activity Name: Summer Program

Activity Narrative: Funding to assist with the operation of the summer program through the Boys & Girls Club of Fond du Lac. The Summer Program has been adjusted to accommodate the necessary guidelines during the COVID19 pandemic and will be run at two different sites. CARE funding activities such as salaries, supplies, rent, etc. Funding in the amount of \$140,000.

(2) Activity Name: Warming Shelter Extension

Activity Narrative: Program to assist the cost incurred by the Salvation Army for extending the services provided by the warming shelter through the Safer at Home order. CARE funding activities such as salaries, vouchers, case management etc. Funding in the amount of \$80,000.

(3) Activity Name: Farmers Market Assistance

Activity Narrative: Program to assist the Downtown Fond du Lac Partnership operate the Farmers Market. The Farmers Market provides an essential opportunity for the community to access fresh produce and other amenities. CARE funding activities such as hand washing stations, signage, PPE, etc. Funding in the amount of \$10,000.

(4) Activity Name: Small Business Support

Activity Narrative: Program to assist the Downtown Fond du Lac Partnership assist the small business as they reopen after the end of the Safer at Home orders. CARE funding activities such as signage, PPE, etc. Funding in the amount of \$20,000.

(5) Activity Name: Housing Rehab Loan Mortgage Relief Program

Activity Narrative: Program to assist with households that lost income due to the COVID-19 pandemic and “Safer at Home”. Funding to assist for up to three months of mortgage payments per income qualified household. Eligible households will be prior recipients of the Housing Rehabilitation Loan Program. Program to be operated through Redevelopment Authority of the City of Fond du Lac. Total funding in the amount of \$50,000.

(6) Activity Name: Homeless Assistance/Vouchers

Activity Narrative: Program to assist individuals experiencing homelessness. Funding will be reserved to accommodate needs later in the year should there be new orders or concerns regarding increase in cases within the community. Program will be operated through the Redevelopment Authority of the City of Fond du Lac in conjunction with homeless providers such as Solution Center and Salvation Army. Total funding in the amount of \$16,496

(7) Activity Name: Business Support

Activity Narrative: Program to assist in the form of forgivable grants to eligible businesses who were impacted by COVID19 pandemic. The funding will be reserved to assist those businesses that may be impacted by longer term reduction in services or capacity. Eligible expenses include inventory, cleaning, rent/mortgage, payroll, etc. Businesses must report the re-creation of jobs made available to income qualifying individuals. Program to be operated through Redevelopment Authority of the City of Fond du Lac in conjunction with community partners as appropriate. Total funding in the amount of 25,000.

### **C. Responsible Organization**

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### **D. Public Comment**

A notice was published in the Fond du Lac Reporter and Action Advertiser, the City's official newspaper on June 19, 2020 and again on June 21, 2020 regarding the public hearing held through the Redevelopment Authority to allocate CARES funding, about the Substantial Amendment and notification to start the 5-day public comment period per the City's citizen participation plan addendum. On June 17, 2020, the Substantial Amendment was posted for public viewing on the City's official website.

Waivers for streamline processing was submitted to HUD on June 17, 2020.

The following is a summary of public comments received regarding this Substantial Amendment and the City of Fond du Lac's response to each:

The City did not receive any public comment at the Public Hearing or by email afterwards. The City received one comment from the Boys & Girls Club, Dan Hebel, about the benefits of having the funding be flexible enough that if the entire allocation was not utilized during the Summer Program that the funding could then be used during the school year as part of the After-School or other related programs since the challenges of COVID19 would be ongoing. The City supported and agreed with the need to be flexible and adjust with the programming to support low and moderate income children and supplemental educational support during this difficult time. Excess funds from any of the identified activities would be redirected to Boys & Girls Club to support programming for low and moderate income kids.