

TOWN OF BABYLON

FY 2019 Annual Action Plan Substantial Amendment – CDBG-CV GRANT



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Town of Babylon

2015-2019 CONSOLIDATED PLAN 2019 ACTION PLAN SUBSTANTIAL AMENDMENT CDBG-CV GRANT

On March 27, 2020, The Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security Act (CARES Act), Public Law 116-136, was signed by President Trump. The CARES Act makes available supplemental Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funding for grants to prevent, prepare for, and respond to coronavirus (COVID-19). This grant CDBG-CV provides flexibilities for CDBG grantees to expedite the use of grant funds to help address the challenges facing our nation during this historic public health crisis. The Town of Babylon is amending its 2019 Annual Action Plan to include the COVID-19 Grant as follows:

Activity 1

Activity Name:

COVID-19 "HOTSPOT" Testing Sites

Activity Type:

Testing for COVID-19

National Objective:

Urgent Need

Activity Description:

The Town of Babylon will provide testing, diagnosis or other services to prevent, prepare for, and respond to the coronavirus (COVID-19). Funding will support testing sites established to address areas that are seeing higher rates of COVID-19 spread within the Town of Babylon. The Town joined with Suffolk County and HRHCare Community Health to launch testing sites located in Wyandanch, NY and Amityville, NY.

Activity Budget: \$ 175,000.00

Activity 2

Activity Name:

COVID-19 Public Services

Activity Type:

Public Service

National Objective:

Low- and Moderate- Income Persons

Activity Description:

Grants to Public Service Agencies for activities to prevent, prepare for or respond to the spread of COVID-19 to include but not limited to the following types of services: Food Banks, expenses related to Pop-Up Food Bank sites in low/mod areas of the Town of Babylon, Meals on wheels delivered to quarantined individuals or individuals that need to maintain social distancing due to medical vulnerabilities, etc.

Activity Budget: \$ 368,040.00

Activity 3

Activity Name:

CDBG-CV Grant Administration and Planning

Activity Type:

General Administration and Planning of the COVID-19 Grant

National Objective:

Not Applicable

Activity Description:

General Administration and Planning of the CDBG-CV Grant. Activity will be administered by the Town of Babylon Department of Community Development.

Activity Budget: \$ 100,000.00

*****Grant funds may not be used to pay costs if another source of financial assistance is available to pay those costs*****

PUBLIC COMMENT

A public notice was placed in the Suffolk edition of Newsday on May 3, 2020, Noticia newspaper on April 30, 2020, the online edition of Able newspaper on May 3, 2020, and a virtual hearing was held on May 6, 2020, informing the general public regarding the CDBG-CV Grant draft plan was available for review on the Town of Babylon's website (www.townofbabylon.com) and available in hard copy at the Department of Community Development. The public notice established a five-day comment period through May 8, 2020.

No comments have been received to date