

Legislation Text

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Subject:

Public Hearing: Re: Fiscal Year 2020-2021 - Brevard County HOME Investment Partnerships Program Consortium One Year Annual Action Plan

Fiscal Impact:

Fiscal Year - 2019-2020 - There will be no impact to the General Fund.

Fiscal Year - 2020-2021 - There will be no impact to the General Fund. This action will identify potential expenditure strategies in the HOME Investment Partnerships Program grant Cost Center 1472-303052 and Community Development Block Grant Cost Center 1470-303051.

Dept/Office:

Housing and Human Services

Requested Action:

It is requested that the Board of County Commissioners conduct a public hearing, as required by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development, for the purpose of receiving public comments on the strategies set forth in the HOME Investment Partnerships Program and Community Development Block Grant Annual Action Plan. No vote is required for the first public hearing.

Summary Explanation and Background:

United States Department of Housing and Urban Development requires recipients of HOME Investment Partnerships Program and Community Development Block Grant funds to prepare an Annual Action Plan, (which covers a one-year period from October 1, 2020 to September 30, 2021) and is an implementation guide for the broad goals and priorities outlined in the current Five-Year Consolidated Plan (which covers the period October 1, 2016 to September 30, 2021). The Annual Action Plan will serve numerous community planning functions as both a document and a process. It is a collaborative initiative whereby a community establishes priorities for its housing and community development activities.

The Brevard County HOME Consortium, which consists of Brevard County (as the Lead Agency) and the cities of Titusville, Cocoa, Melbourne and Palm Bay, must prepare and submit as one document an Annual Action Plan using goals and priorities established in the Five-Year Consolidated Plan. Consortium Members work together to develop strategies on how HOME funds and other identified resources will be utilized to assist very low-income households (maximum income \$34,600 for a family of 4) and low-income households (\$55,350 for a family of 4) in achieving decent, safe and affordable housing.

The HOME Investment Partnerships Program allocations for the Consortium Members are awarded to the County and issued through disbursement agreements on a reimbursement basis. The County is estimated to

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receive \$508,242 and the cities are estimated to receive \$766,125 (Titusville- \$139,428; Cocoa-\$85,105; Melbourne- \$267,100; and Palm Bay- \$274,492).

Each Consortium Member formulates its own separate Community Development Block Grant Annual Action Plan. Within their respective jurisdictions, Community Development Block Grant funds can be used for public facilities and improvements, public services, as well as other activities. Unlike HOME Investment Partnerships Program funding, each Consortium Member receives a direct Community Development Block Grant allocation from United States Department of Housing and Urban Development. The County will receive an estimated \$1,441,569.

A Public Meeting on the Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Annual Action Plan was advertised and held on February 20, 2020 during the Affordable Housing Council meeting. The final Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Annual Action Plan (incorporating any public comment received) will be presented for approval at the second public hearing to the Board of County Commissioners on September 15, 2020.

Clerk to the Board Instructions:

None.