

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
OC COMMUNITY RESOURCES
Substantial Amendments to FY 2019-20 Annual Action Plan, FY 2015-19
Consolidated Plan, and FY 2015-19 Citizen Participation Plan

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Orange County, Board of Supervisors will hold a public hearing to consider the Substantial Amendments to FY 2019-20 Annual Action Plan, FY 2015-19 Consolidated Plan and FY 2015-19 Citizen Participation Plan.

DATE OF HEARING: Tuesday, July 14, 2020
TIME OF HEARING: 9:30 a.m. or as soon thereafter as possible
LOCATION OF HEARING: Orange County Board of Supervisors Hearing Room
Hall of Administration
10 Civic Center Plaza
Santa Ana, CA 92701

To view a live internet broadcast of the meetings visit <https://board.ocgov.com/board-meeting-media-archive>. The public may send comments for upcoming Board meetings by emailing response@ocgov.com. Comments submitted before the start of the Board meeting will be part of the public record and distributed to the Board members for their consideration, please include the Board date and topic for comment.

The Consolidated Plan is a comprehensive document that provides a basis and five-year strategy for the use for all federal funds granted to the Urban County of Orange by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) under the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), Home Investment Partnership (HOME), and Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) programs. The information in the Consolidated Plan is generated from community surveys and public meetings.

The Citizen Participation Plan provides a framework and process by which the County's consolidated planning and reporting efforts comply with the citizen participation requirements published by HUD. This Citizen Participation Plan is prepared and implemented in accordance with the guidance provided in HUD Regulations 24CFR Part 91.105.

The Annual Action Plan (AAP) is an all-encompassing document that provides a basis and strategy for the annual use for all federal funds granted to the Urban County of Orange by HUD. The AAP also addresses related local funding received by OC Housing & Community Development (HCD). The AAP indicates preliminary awards based on estimated HUD funds for FY 2019-20. These appropriations support public facilities and improvements, public services, housing rehabilitation, and affordable housing development activities that benefit low-and moderate-income households.

Conducting a public hearing and authorizing OC Community Resources to submit amended FY 2015-19 Consolidated Plan, FY 2015-19 Citizen Participation Plan and FY 2019-20 Annual Action Plan to HUD and execute contracts as previously delegated by the Board of Supervisors, will support the utilization of Federal CARES Act funding for housing and community development activities related to COVID-19.

The County of Orange has been allocated \$1,925,926 in CDBG-CV1 CARES Act funding and \$772,352 in ESG-CV1 CARES Act funding in the 1st round of funding. The County will recommend to allocate these funds to participating cities in order to help them respond, prevent and recover from the COVID-19 pandemic. Additionally, HUD made waivers available under the Federal HOME Investment Partnership Act for use of HOME funding towards the impacts of COVID-19. Although no additional HOME funding was allocated, there an increase of \$1,081,055.86 in HOME Program Income and HUD is allowing increase in administrative caps for FY 2019-20 and FY 2020-21 funding from 10% to 25%.

The County of Orange has been allocated a 2nd round of CARES Act funding in the amount of \$4,992,579 in ESG-CV2. The funding is to be utilized to prevent, prepare for, and respond to coronavirus among individuals and families who are homeless, receiving homeless assistance, or are at risk of becoming homeless.

The County is also requesting to amend the FY 2015-19 Citizen Participation Plan to use HUD waivers in regard to the Public Notice process and Public Comment Period during the COVID-19 pandemic.

All persons either favoring or opposing the substantial amendments, are invited to present their views in writing or before the Board of Supervisors.

Electronic links to the Substantial Amendments are available on the Orange County Library's website at www.ocpl.org

and on the HCD website at www.occommunityservices.org/hcd

Written comments should be addressed to Housing & Community Development, 1501 E. St. Andrew Place, Santa Ana, CA 92705, Attention: Mr. Craig Fee or e-mail craig.fee@occr.ocgov.com. All written comments received prior to the scheduled public hearing will be considered by Orange County. For further information email or call Craig Fee at (714) 480-2996.

This Notice will be published and translated in the following newspapers:
June 19, 2020 - OC Register, Nguoi Viet and La Opinion