

City of Vineland

Community Development Block Grant Program
Substantial Amendment of 2021 Annual Action Plan

Introduction

This document serves as the first Substantial Amendment to the 2021 City of Vineland Annual Action Plan previously approved by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. The 2021 Annual Action Plan was approved for \$469,548 in CDBG funds, along with program income of \$50,000.

The purpose of this Substantial Amendment is to adjust the funding priorities for the CDBG 2021 Annual Budget, adding an additional project. The City proposes to utilize \$5,500 in CDBG Program Income to fund Vineland Midget Football League, an eligible public service. It is the creation of the new project that constitutes a substantial amendment as required by HUD. The City is following their Substantial Amendment procedures as outlined in the City's Citizen Participation Plan.

Project Budget

This substantial amendment creates the following project and appends it to the 2021 Annual Action Plan.

ACTIVITY	DESCRIPTION	RECOMMENDED FUNDING
Vineland Midget Football League	To support the operation of the football league, which serves low- and moderate-income youth	\$5,500
TOTAL		\$5,500

Stakeholder Consultation & Citizen Participation

The stakeholder and general public consultation and citizen participation process for this Substantial Amendment will conform to the City's Citizen Participation Plan, last revised in 2020.

Citizens will be provided with reasonable notice and opportunity to comment on proposed amendments. This will be accomplished through notification of a public hearing in the nonlegal section of a newspaper with general circulation within the City and notification on the City website. These notices have been published *at least ten days* prior to the hearing. Citizens will have not less than 30 days to make comments about the proposed amendment(s) prior to any amendment implementation.

In order to obtain the views of residents, public agencies and other interested parties, Vineland will place the Substantial Amendment on public display beginning November 22, 2021 on the City's website at the following address: <http://www.vinelandcity.org/municipal-notices/>. This document will be available to the public for a period of no less than thirty (30) days through December 21, 2021.

On Wednesday, December 8th at 10am and 6pm, the City of Vineland will hold a Virtual Public Hearing via the Zoom platform to consider the proposed substantial changes to the FY 2021 CDBG Annual Action Plan. Given the current public health crisis, a virtual hearing is being held in lieu of an in-person hearing. Members of the public will be given the opportunity to speak during this hearing to verbally submit their public comment. The log-in information for the Virtual Public Hearing will be posted on the City's website at the following address: <http://www.vinelandcity.org/municipal-notices/>.

All interested persons, groups, and organizations are encouraged to attend this public hearing and will be given the opportunity to present oral or written testimony concerning the proposed amendment for the FY 2021 Annual Action Plan.

If residents have a disability and require auxiliary aid, service or other accommodations to participate in the proceedings, they are encouraged to contact Sandy Forsosisky, Director of Economic Development at (856) 794-4000 ext. 4623 or sforsosisky@vinelandcity.org to determine how the City can accommodate their needs.

All general questions and public comments regarding this Substantial Amendment or proposed programming should be directed to Sandy Forsosisky, Director of Economic Development at (856) 794-4000 ext. 4623 or sforsosisky@vinelandcity.org by December 21, 2021.