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City of Bloomington Accepting Applications for Community Development Block Grants CARES Act Funding

Bloomington, Ind. – Local agencies that serve low- and moderate-income households in Bloomington may now apply for federal assistance to alleviate the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic. The City’s Department of Housing and Neighborhood Development (HAND) is administering this additional allocation of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funding in the amount of \$525,656 made available by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) through the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act.

Agencies that provide food, healthcare, childcare, and shelter, among other forms of assistance are invited to submit an application for these special funds by **June 1, 2020 at 4 pm.**

Applications and application instructions are available [online](#) or may be requested by emailing hand@bloomington.in.gov, where completed applications may be submitted. Informational meetings for prospective applicants will be held online Tuesday, May 19 at 2 p.m. and Thursday, May 21 at 5:30 p.m. Information about how to log in to the virtual meetings will be posted on the city’s [website](#) closer to the day of the meeting.

Funds will be allocated to assist agencies serving households whose incomes are at or below 80% of HUD's median income guidelines with the means to prevent, prepare for, or respond to the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic. Requests for funding amounts ranging from \$5,000 to \$50,000 will be considered (except for joint applications which will be limited to \$75,000). Prior or current recipients of CDBG funding along with first-time applicants may apply for this special funding.

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