EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

ANNUAL ACTION PLAN
CDBG-CV3
FY 2020-2021

Spartanburg County
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Sources and Use of Funds

Community Development Block Grant Program - CV (CDBG-CV3)

The CDBG-CV Program provides a grant on a formula basis to entitlement cities and counties for preventing, preparing for, or responding to the COVID-19 pandemic. All funds allocated within this document will be used to assist low to moderate income individuals within the unincorporated areas of Spartanburg County.

The following table details the CDBG-CV3 resources expected to be made available for the Community Development Department to carry out COVID-19 related activities in the 2020 program year.

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<th>FY2020-2021CDBG-CV3 Allocation</th>
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<td>PROJECTED USE OF FUNDS</td>
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<td>CDBG-CV3 Grant Allocation: $1,108,948.00</td>
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<td>Administration: $221,789.00</td>
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<td>Activities: $887,159.00</td>
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Non-federal and private

Non-federal and private sources will also be used to address the needs identified in the plan during the 2020 program year. These resources will be derived from the private, faith-based, institutional, foundation, and non-profit areas. Spartanburg County has also sought partners from other areas in an effort to complete some community projects.

Geographic Distribution

The majority of the activities funded in the 2020 program year are countywide.

Funding Requirements

Funding is used to benefit low and moderate income (LMI) areas or persons/households in the unincorporated areas of Spartanburg County.
Special Needs Populations

The County is allocating resources for a variety of homeless and other special needs populations. These include the following:

- Funding for Case Management and extensive cleaning for a non-profit homeless shelter and an outreach program.
- Funding for extensive cleaning for one year’s time for a children’s emergency shelter and a battered women’s emergency shelter.
- Funding for a residential program for men recovering from alcohol/drug abuse and homelessness.
- COVID testing for the homeless.
- Funding for a social worker, part-time interpreter, and a bus driver to assist homeless students in Spartanburg County School District Six.
Priority Needs and Goals as established in the 2019-2023 Consolidated Plan

Need 1: AFFORDABLE HOUSING OPPORTUNITIES

- Preservation of Existing Affordable Housing
- Development of New Affordable Housing
- Increase Homeownership Opportunities
- Provide for Rental Assistance

Need 2: NON-HOUSING COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

- Increase & Expand Public Services For Low and Moderate Income (LMI) Areas or Persons/Households
- Increase & Expand Public Services for Special Needs
- Promotion of Fair Housing

Need 3: COMMUNITY REVITALIZATION

- Increase & Improve Access to Public Facilities
- Increase & Expand Capacity of Public Infrastructure

Need 4: ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

- Provide Financial Assistance to For-Profit Businesses and Microenterprises
- Provide Technical Assistance to For-Profit Businesses and Microenterprises
- Provide Assistance for Commercial/Industrial Improvements

The ANNUAL ACTION PLAN outlines the following activities that will address these needs and goals funded with Spartanburg County’s 2020-2021 CDBG-CV allocation:
## CDBG-CV ALLOCATION

### NEED 1: Affordable Housing Opportunity Activities

**NONE**

### NEED 2: Non-Housing Community Development Activities

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<td><strong>ARCH Ministries - Learning Leap</strong></td>
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<td>ARCH Ministries is an after-school program serving primarily Hispanic first-grade students at Arcadia Elementary. Due to COVID-19 school buildings closed in March and classes were moved to online teaching. The children in this program no longer had access to English speaking tutors to help reinforce and understand what they were taught in the classroom. Their families are unable to assist them with online learning because they speak little to no English. These children will be returning to school further behind than when they left. An additional instructor will be needed to help bring these children back up to school standards. Funds will be used for the salary of an additional instructor and the partial salary of the director overseeing the project. The program will benefit approximately 38 primarily Hispanic children.</td>
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| **GoForth Recovery**                              | $15,000.00 |
| GoForth Recovery is a residential facility for men dealing with alcohol and drug addiction and homelessness. Due to COVID-19, most of the men at the facility have lost their jobs. In an effort to keep them productively occupied, staff have been placing them in volunteer positions throughout the area. For example, they have been assisting at the Opportunity Center three days a week working with the homeless. Funds will be used for the increased staff hours necessary to manage the residents' activities while attempting to help them achieve full-time employment once again. They expect to benefit approximately 50 people. |

| **Goodwill Industries of the Upstate/Midlands–Employment Training** | $62,110.00 |
| Goodwill Industries will be responding to job losses caused by COVID-19. Funds will be used to pay for a Job Training and Employment Program for those who are out of work due to COVID-19. They expect to benefit approximately 13 people. |
Hope Center for Children - Shelter Needs $83,815.00

Hope Center for Children houses abused and neglected children that have been legally removed from their homes from across Spartanburg County. They hold prevention programs to ensure caregivers receive the support they need to address the needs of the children. Due to children moving in and out of the facility, it is imperative that the residential facilities be cleaned more frequently in order to prevent the spread of COVID-19 among the children and caregivers. Funds will be used to continue to clean residential and common areas, provide cleaning supplies, and operating costs. Approximately 46 children reside in the facility at any given moment, however, at the end of a one-year period approximately 90 children will have been housed.

Maranatha Free Church of Jesus Christ – Homeless COVID-19 Testing $42,120.00

Funds will be used to pay partial salaries for three positions to conduct COVID-19 testing on homeless individuals. Approximately 300 homeless individuals will be served.

Middle Tyger Community Center - Mental Health Counseling $41,000.00

Due to COVID-19 many individuals and families will need a variety of mental health services in response to the negative effects imposed on their lives. The Middle Tyger Community Center will be able to provide counseling to those in need. These funds will be used to cover session fees on a sliding scale for counseling services to approximately 35 clients.

Middle Tyger Community Center – Salary Reimbursement $42,000.00

Due to COVID-19 many families find themselves in need of help to keep up with monthly bills due to job loss and economic decline. Gap agencies continue to see their requests for subsistence payments increase. In response, these funds will be used for the partial salary of two case managers to process subsistence payments and help guide the beneficiary in making a plan for the future. One of the case managers will be fluent in Spanish. Approximately 75 people will be served.

Middle Tyger Community Center - Subsistence Payments $75,000.00

Due to COVID-19 many families find themselves in need of help keeping up with monthly bills due to job loss and economic decline. Gap agencies continue to see their requests for subsistence payments increase. In response, these funds will be used for short-term rent/mortgage and utility payments. Beneficiaries will be recognized in the Middle Tyger Community Center Salary Reimbursement activity.
SAFE Homes-Rape Crisis Coalition - Domestic Violence Emergency Shelter  $34,840.00

SAFE Homes-Rape Crisis provides the only emergency shelter in the area for victims of interpersonal violence. In order to prevent the spread of COVID-19 to others staying in the shelter it must be cleaned more frequently. In addition, with new social distancing guidelines, families are required to stay in separate areas, and additional staff is needed to oversee these expanded areas of residence. Funds will be used for the partial salary of night staff and for the cleaning of the residential and common areas for one year. Approximately 200 women and children stay at the facility each year.

Spartanburg School District Six - In This Together  $38,350.00

Due to COVID-19 teenagers have been impacted especially hard during this time of quarantine as they are cut off from their familiar social networks and are often asked to carry a greater family burden. These funds will be used for the partial salary of a counselor in the AIM to Work program for the purpose of counseling students struggling during this time and helping them to discover ways to adapt to the new normal. There will be approximately 15 beneficiaries.

Spartanburg School District Six – Cleaning Supplies  $29,718.00

Due to children moving throughout the schools, it is necessary that areas are cleaned more frequently and deeply in order to prevent the spread of COVID-19. Funds will be used for additional cleaning supplies.

Spartanburg School District Six – Una Mano Amiga – A Helping Hand  $42,312.00

District Six has identified 90 homeless students and families effected by COVID-19. Funds will be used to pay for a social worker, interpreter, and bus driver to work with these families to identify resources, help to navigate the system, and transportation for a weekend food box delivery.

The Haven - Cleaning  $18,720.00

Due to COVID-19 The Haven is seeing more clients come through their facility requesting help. This increase has caused a need for more frequent cleanings to prevent the spread of COVID-19. There will be approximately 40 beneficiaries.

The Haven - Emergency Shelter Program Case Management  $31,200.00

Intensive case management is necessary to help the growing homeless population effected by COVID-19. These funds will be used to pay for the partial salary of a Case Manager associated with the Shelter
Services Program to provide one-to-one assessment to develop a plan of action to meet goals and overcome challenges. This organization will aid approximately 75 households.

**United Way of the Piedmont - United for All Fund**  
$96,474.00

Due to COVID-19 many families find themselves in need of help keeping up with monthly bills due to job loss and economic decline. Gap agencies continue to see their requests for subsistence payments increase. In response, these funds will be used for short-term rent/mortgage and utility payments. Approximately 50 households will be served.

**Upstate Family Resource Center: Crisis Intervention - PASOs**  
$25,000.00

In response to the effects of COVID-19 on the economy more of our Spanish speaking community find themselves in need of assistance. These funds will be used to pay for the partial salary of a bilingual community health worker who can assist these individuals in finding the right agency to provide assistance. Approximately 25 Spanish speaking households will be served.

**Upstate Family Resource Center: CV Salary**  
$75,000.00

Due to COVID-19 many families find themselves in need of help to keep up with monthly bills due to job loss and economic decline. Gap agencies continue to see their requests for subsistence payments increase. In response, these funds will be used for the partial salaries of case managers to process subsistence payments and help guide the beneficiary in making a plan for the future. Approximately 75 people will be served.

**NEED 3: Community Revitalization Activities**

**NONE**

**NEED 4: Economic Development**

**CommunityWorks - Small and Micro Business Relief and Recovery - Forgivable Loans**  
$100,000.00

CommunityWorks is a Community Development Financial Institution (CDFI) who will work to build up small and micro businesses needing assistance due to the impact of COVID-19. Funds will be used for forgivable loans. There will be approximately 15 beneficiaries.
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