## NOTICE OF SUBSTANTIAL AMENDMENT #2 TO THE FY2019 ANNUAL ACTION PLAN

The West Virginia Development Office (WVDO) and the West Virginia Housing Development Fund (WVHDF) are providing a public comment period concerning a proposed substantial amendment #2 to the FY2019 Annual Action Plan (AAP) for funding provided to the State by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). The APP summarizes the actions, activities, and the resources that will be used each year for the following housing and community development programs: Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME), Housing Trust Fund (HTF), Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG), and Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA). Under the Coronavirus Aid Relief and Economic Security (CARES) Act, the State will receive an additional \$6,108,513 in CDBG-CV3 funding for use Statewide.

**DESCRIPTION OF THE AAP AMENDMENT #2:** To effectively address the impact of COVID-19 on West Virginia, the State proposes the addition of all eligible activities in the public service category to the FY2019 AAP for all CDBG-CV funding. The Public Service activities must address and tie back to the COVID-19 pandemic. The State also proposes the following: adding the State acting directly to administer activities the CDBG-CV Methods of Distribution in addition to City and County governments; amending the ESG Methods of Distribution to include the State acting directly to administer ESG-CV activities and adding Public Housing Authorities as eligible applicants; adding the CDBG-CV3 funding amount to the 2019 Action Plan.

**PUBLIC REVIEW:** A comment period will begin on Monday November 16th, 2020 and will continue until close of business on Friday November 20th, 2020. The proposed amendment #2 in the FY2019 Annual Action Plan (AAP) will be available on the WVDO website at <a href="https://wvcad.org/resources">https://wvcad.org/resources</a>, the State's Regional Planning and Development Councils (RPDC), and by calling the WVDO at 304-957-2096. In the event the State's RPDCs or the WVDO offices are closed due to a State or National Emergency, arrangements will be made to review the plans by calling WVDO at 304-957-2096. To be considered in the plans, written comments will be received in the WVDO at the address below, attention Ryan Halsey, or submitted via email to Ryan.J.Halsey@wv.gov</a> until the close of business on Friday, November 20<sup>th</sup>, 2020.

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