

**NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF PROPOSED AMENDED 2019 ANNUAL ACTION
PLAN
5-DAY PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD**

In accordance with the federal regulations relative to citizen participation for Community Planning and Development Programs and applicable waivers made available to those requirements through the CARES Act as set forth in the memorandum from U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), dated April 9, 2020, the Town of Arlington is making available to the public for review and comment an amendment to the 2019 Annual Action Plan. Also pursuant to waivers provided by HUD, the Town of Arlington is amending its Citizen Participation Plan by revising the public comment period for amendments in response to state and national emergencies from 30 calendar days to 5 calendar days.

This is an amendment to enable the Town of Arlington to receive and administer \$659,903 in Community Development Block Grant funding from HUD made available through the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES Act). The funding will be used to facilitate assistance to households, persons, and businesses impacted by COVID-19. Eligible CDBG activities will include assisting low- and moderate-income households with rental assistance and microenterprise assistance, and support public services. The amendment also reprograms \$150,000 of existing funds allocated to this program year to support affordable rental housing rehabilitation and rental assistance.

The draft amendment can be viewed at <https://www.arlingtonma.gov/departments/planning-community-development/community-development-block-grants-cdbg>. This Action Plan amendment is available for a 5-day public review and comment period from April 30, 2020 to May 6, 2020. Please submit written comments during the public review and comment period no later than 4:00 PM on May 6, 2020, to Erin Zwirko, Interim Community Development Program Manager, Town of Arlington, at ezwirko@town.arlington.ma.us. All comments received will be included in the Final Plan Amendment sent to HUD along with the Town's responses.

Arlington Advocate 4/30/20