

PUBLIC NOTICE

**JEFFERSON COUNTY CONSORTIUM
PROPOSED 2019-20 ACTION PLAN ONE-YEAR USE OF FUNDS SUMMARY
FOR
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS
30 DAY COMMENT PERIOD
June 13, 2019 – July 15, 2019**

INTRODUCTION

The United States Department of Housing and Urban Development requires that in order to receive funding under the Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG), the Home Investment Partnerships Program (HOME), the Emergency Solutions Grant Program (ESG), and the Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS Program (HOPWA), each entitlement city or urban county must prepare a Consolidated Plan. The Plan identifies housing and non-housing needs over a five-year period, assigns priorities to each of the needs and a strategy for meeting those needs, and sets out a one year Action Plan establishing funding. The overall goal of the community development programs is to develop viable urban communities by providing decent housing and a suitable living environment and expanding economic opportunities, principally for low- and moderate-income persons.

The Jefferson County Consortium is made up of the unincorporated areas of Jefferson County, Alabama and 33 municipalities within the County. The municipalities of County Line, Sumiton, Helena, Birmingham, and Bessemer are the only local governments in the County not participating in the Consortium. Birmingham and Bessemer are entitlement cities themselves. This proposed 2019-20 Action Plan was developed in cooperation with these cities and with the assistance of area agencies and the public.

AVAILABILITY OF THE PROPOSED 2019-20 ACTION PLAN

This is a summary of the 2019-20 Action Plan for Community Development Programs. A complete copy of the plan will be made available for review at the Jefferson County Office of Community Services & Workforce Development, 716 Richard Arrington Jr. Blvd. North – Room A-430, Birmingham, AL 35203, or by calling 325-5761. Arrangements can also be made available to meet the Special Needs Requirements of those with disabilities and those with limited English proficiency skills. Those in this category are advised to contact the Office of Community Services & Workforce Development at the above address and telephone number. Copies of the proposed 2019-20 One-Year Action Plan are also available for review at the following Public Libraries:

Adamsville Public Library
1984 Forestdale Blvd.
Adamsville, AL 35214

Fairfield Public Library
4615 Gary Avenue
Fairfield, AL 35064

Fultondale Public Library
1015 Walker Chapel Road
Fultondale, AL 35071

Homewood Public Library
1721 Oxmoor Road
Homewood, AL 35209

Irondale Public Library
105 20th Street, South
Irondale, AL 35210

Leeds Public Library
802 Parkway Dr., SE
Leeds, AL 35094

Midfield Public Library
400 Breland Drive
Midfield, AL 35228

Trussville Public Library
201 Parkway
Trussville, AL 35173

Tarrant Public Library
1143 Ford Avenue
Tarrant, AL 35217

Warrior Public Library
10 First Street
Warrior, AL 35180

Hueytown Public Library
1372 Hueytown Road
Hueytown, AL 35023

In addition, the Plan may be reviewed at the following web site: www.jccal.org.

Jefferson County encourages citizen input in the development of the 2019-20 One-Year Action Plan to be delivered to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development on or before August 15, 2019. Those desiring to submit written comments must do so to the address shown below:

Office of the Director
Jefferson County Office of Community Services & Workforce Development
716 Richard Arrington Jr. Blvd. N. – Room A-430
Birmingham, AL 35203-2385

All written comments on the proposed 2019-20 Plan must be received at the above address on or before 5:00 PM, July 15, 2019.

Also, citizens may make comments at a Public Hearing to be held on June 26, 2019 at 2:00 PM at the Jefferson County Office of Community Services & Workforce Development (716 Richard Arrington Jr. Blvd. N. – Room A-420, Downtown

Birmingham). Further information can be obtained by attending the Public Hearing or contacting the Office of Community Services & Workforce Development at (205) 325-5761. Special accommodations are available upon request for those with disabilities and for those with limited English proficiency skills. Those requiring special accommodations should call this number, in advance for assistance.

PROPOSED 2019-20 ONE-YEAR ACTION PLAN SUMMARY

The Jefferson County Consortium Proposed One Year Action Plan for the 2019-2020 Program Year outlines the proposed projects to be undertaken by the County with funds from the Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG), the Home Investment Partnerships Program (HOME), and the Emergency Solutions Grant Program (ESG). Outlined below are the projects listed by housing and non-housing categories and County’s overall strategy for addressing needs.

Jefferson County expects to receive \$2,330,492.00 in CDBG funds, \$25,000.00 in CDBG program income; \$932,378.00 in HOME funds, \$0.00 in County match and \$100,000.00 in HOME program income; and \$199,869.00 in federal ESG plus \$199,869.00 in ESG Match funds making a total of \$3,787,608.00 in funds available for Program Year 2019-20.

Housing programs will receive \$550,000.00 of the total CDBG funds available. These Housing Programs will include Single Family Rehabilitation Program/Emergency Repair, and Housing Program Delivery.

Non-housing programs to be funded under the CDBG program include public services and public facility improvements as well as planning and administration costs. The expenditures on these programs are as follows:

Public Facilities	\$1,254,392.00
Public Services	85,000.00
General Program Administration	466,098.00

Homeless Assistance Programs: Jefferson County anticipates receiving \$199,869.00 Federal ESG funds. Requirements on ESG funding including operations, renovations, essential services (limited to 60% of total grant), prevention, rapid re-housing, HMIS, and administration. (limited to 7.5% of total grant). Jefferson County plans to allocate \$14,990.00 in Emergency Solutions Program Administration funds.

HOME Program: Jefferson County anticipates receiving approximately \$923,378.00.00 in HOME funds for the Program Year beginning 10/1/19. This figure will not be matched but will have an estimated program income of \$100,000.00 for a total of \$1,023,378.00. These funds are proposed for use on administration, CHDO activities, and homebuyer/rental.

HOUSING ACTIVITIES TO BE UNDERTAKEN

The following housing programs will be undertaken with funds from the Community Development Block Grant Program and the HOME Program:

	HOME	MATCH
Administration	103,237.00	\$0
CHDO Admin.	0.00	0
CHDO Activity	139,857.00	0
Homebuyer/Rental Housing	789,284.00	0

CDBG

Single Family Rehab/Emergency Repair	\$450,000.00
Housing Program Delivery	100,000.00

HOMELESS ASSISTANCE ACTIVITIES TO BE UNDERTAKEN

The following grants will be given to agencies that provide services to the homeless, those threatened with homelessness, and those providing services and housing for those living with HIV; funding is from the \$199,869.00 in Federal Emergency Solutions Grant funds from the Department of Housing and Urban Development:

ESG Administration, \$14,990.00

Emergency Shelter, \$108,394.00

Street Outreach, \$5,000.00

Rapid Re-Housing \$26,975.00

Homeless Prevention \$35,060.00

HMIS \$9,450.00

**NON-HOUSING COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PRIORITIES AND
PROPOSED ACTIVITIES TO BE UNDERTAKEN**

The following non-housing activities will be undertaken with funds from the Community Development Block Grant Program; all were determined to be high priority activities in the Consolidated Plan:

General Administration, \$466,098.00

NEIGHBORHOOD FACILITIES AND INFRASTRUCTURE

Docena Community Center, \$113,598.00

Midfield Community Center Parking, \$200,000.00

Lipscomb Street Improvements, \$156,799.00

Brighton Street Improvements, \$156,799.00

Graysville SE Park Improvements, \$156,799.00

Graysville E Park Improvements, \$156,799.00

Pinson Valley Fire Station/Engineering and Design, \$313,598.00

PUBLIC SERVICES

Legal Aid, \$25,000.00

Girls, Inc., \$15,000.00

Childcare Resources, \$25,000.00

First Light, \$20,000.00