



SUBSTANTIAL AMENDMENT
2021-2022 and 2023-2024 ANNUAL ACTION
PLAN CDBG FUNDS

Background:

The City is required to implement a five-year Consolidated Plan, Annual Action Plan, Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report, and Citizen Participation Plan. Specifically, the Annual Action Plan reflects expected implementation of planned usage with federal funds. The Citizen Participation Plan outlines procedures for local participation in the planning process.

The City is proposing a substantial change to the Fiscal Year (FY) 2021-2022 Annual Action Plan and FY 2023/2024 Annual Action Plan to utilize Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds for the Capital Improvements Project.

A substantial amendment to the Annual action Plan is required when the City:

- Changes allocation priorities;
- Expects to carry out a new or existing activity while using funds that have not been covered by the Consolidated Plan or included in the approved Action Plan;
- Initiates substantial change in the allocation of funds (by \$35,000, except for planning and administration in funds; or
- Modifies the location, scope, purpose, or recipients of an activity.

Because the City would like to initiate substantial change in the allocation of funds, a substantial amendment to the Annual Action Plans is necessary.

Substantial Amendment to FY 2021/2022 Annual Action Plan

The City is proposing a substantial change to the FY 2021/2022 Annual Action Plan to reallocate CDBG funds for the Capital Improvement Project, which will benefit residents in Zone 28 by providing much-needed repairs to street, sidewalk, curb, gutter, and ADA access ramps. The Capital Improvement Project will invest in the current infrastructure in a low- and moderate-income area. The City would like to reallocate CDBG carryover funds or remaining funds that have not been utilized, to support the Capital Improvement Project. A total of \$200,000 of CDBG carryover funds will be dedicated to the Capital Improvement Project.

Substantial Amendment to FY 2023/2024 Annual Action Plan

Similarly, the City is proposing a substantial change to the FY 2023/2024 Annual Action Plan to reallocate CDBG funds for the Capital Improvement Project. The City would like to reallocate funds previously dedicated to the Residential Rehabilitation program for the Capital Improvement Project. A total of \$400,000 will be dedicated to the Capital Improvement Project.

The Residential Rehabilitation Program provided necessary dwelling repairs to plumbing, heating, electrical, painting, and other repairs for low- and moderate-income residents throughout Norwalk. However, the City would like to serve more residents and maximize the benefit of the Program without the restrictions of CDBG funds. Therefore, the City will be designing and implementing a city-wide rehabilitation program with General Funds.

The CDBG funds will be reallocated as follows:

CDBG Activity	Reallocated Funding
Carryover from FY 2021/2022	\$200,000
Residential Rehabilitation Program from FY 2023/2024	\$400,000
Total	\$600,000

Public Comments:

The City of Norwalk will address and incorporate comments received during the 30-day public commenting timeframe between September 1, 2023 and September 30, 2023. A public hearing will be held on October 3, 2023.