

2008 Action Plan - Substantial Amendment

CDBG – R

Sarasota County Florida

The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 awarded \$380,487 in additional Community Development Block Grant Funds to Sarasota County. These funds are designated as CDBG–R. To receive these funds, the County is required to submit a substantial amendment to its approved 2008 Action Plan.

The program requirements for the substantial amendment were contained in a Notice from the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) on May 5, 2009. The application requirements for the substantial amendment were designed to allow local governments to apply for and carry out, on an expedited basis, eligible activities under the CDBG program.

CDBG – R Application

i. Describe the activities the grantee will undertake to address priority needs and objectives.

Response: Sarasota County will use all CDBG – R funds to address the needs in three low and moderate income areas. Two of these areas have a high minority concentration and the other is an area experiencing a large number of foreclosures.

Funds will be used for the build out of the 2nd floor of the existing North Port Social Services Center. The Center was constructed, in part, with CDBG funds in 2008 but the second floor was left unfinished due to a lack of funding. The CDBG – R funds will enable the 2nd floor to be completed and provide space for additional social service agencies serving low income residents of the City of North Port and south Sarasota County. There are currently 12 partner agencies housed at the facility along with the City's Social Services Division. With the large number of foreclosures in the community, the demand for social services has increased and the additional space will consolidate services in one location.

The second CDBG-R activity will provide funding will be used to continue the implementation of the North Sarasota Neighborhood Plan. This activity will create a walkway between the Lime Lake neighborhood and the Emma E. Booker Elementary School to permit children to safely walk to school. Funding will also be used to install a permanent security fence around Lime Lake. There have been accidents where children have entered the lake and the fence will prevent future incidents from occurring.

The final CDBG-R activity will provide needed funding to continue the implementation of the Laurel Neighborhood Plan. Drainage improvements have been needed at the Laurel Park, but have not been implemented due to a lack of funding. This project will re-engineer and re-grade the drainage to allow the park to be used by lower income residents.

Attached in a spreadsheet provided by HUD is the activity name, activity description, CDBG-R dollar amount budgeted, eligibility category, national objective citation, additional Recovery Act funds for the activity received from other programs and total activity budget.

ii. Describe how the distribution and uses of the grantee's CDBG-R funds will meet the requirements of Title XII of Division A and Section 1602 of the Recovery Act: that, in selecting projects to be funded, recipients shall give priority to projects that can award contracts based on bids within 120 calendar days from the date the funds are made available to the recipients; and that for CDBG-R funds being used for infrastructure investments, recipients shall give preference to activities that can be started and completed expeditiously, including a goal of using at least 50 percent of the funds for activities that can be initiate not later than 120 calendar days after February 17, 2009.

Response: Sarasota County has selected projects for CDBG-R funding that can begin within 120 calendar days from the date the funds are available. The plans for the second floor of the North Port Social Services Center have been prepared and construction will begin immediately upon the receipt of funds. The drainage improvements for the Laurel Park have been designed and are ready to be bid. The design for the security fence at Lime Lake is complete and can be bid immediately upon the awarding of funds. These activities ensure that 50% of all funds can be initiated within 120 calendar days following the award of funds. The walkway at Lime Lake will be on property owned by the County and can be bid within 120 days of the receipt of funds.

iii. For each activity, a written description of how the use of CDBG funds for the activity will maximize job creation and economic benefit in relation to the CDBG-R funds obligated.

Response: The activities selected were designed to maximize job creation. Each of the activities will create a number of construction jobs and the social service center will be utilized for permanent jobs serving the residents of North Port.

iv. For each activity, the number of full- and part-time jobs estimated to be created and retained by the activity (including permanent, construction and temporary jobs).

Response: It is anticipated that the CDBG-R funds will created the following jobs:

North Port Social Services Center – 36 construction and 20 permanent jobs

Laurel Drainage – 6 construction jobs

North Sarasota Walkway – 4 construction jobs

Lime Lake Fence – 3 construction jobs

v. A description of the activities that will be carried out with CDBG-R funds that promote energy conservation, smart growth, green building technologies, or reduced pollution emissions.

Response: The North Port Social Services Center was constructed using green building technologies and promotes energy conservation. Those same concepts will be incorporated into the second floor construction. The drainage improvements at the Laurel Park and the walkway improvements at Lime Lake will promote smart growth by enhancing neighborhood activities and promote walk ability.

vi. Information on how to contact grantee program administrators, so that citizens and other interested parties know who to contact for additional information.

Response: Interested parties may contact Donald Hadsell, Director of the Sarasota Office of Housing and Community Development, 111 South Orange Avenue, Sarasota Florida 34236 with any comments or to request additional information. Information may also be found on the OHCD website: www.ohcd.sarasotagov.com

CDBG-R

Activity Data Spreadsheet

| Jurisdiction/Grantee Name: Sarasota County | | CDBG-R Formula Grant Amount: \$380,487 | | | | | Date: May 11, 2009 |
|--|--|---|---|----------------------------|--------------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------|
| Activity Name | Activity Description | Eligibility (Regulatory or HCDA Citation) | National Objective Citation | CDBG-R Project Budget (\$) | Additional Recovery Funds (\$) | Other Leveraged Funding (\$) | Total Activity Budget |
| North Port Social Services Center | Funds will be used for the build out of the 2nd floor of the existing North Port Social Services Center. The Center was constructed, in part, with CDBG funds in 2008 but the second floor was left unfinished due to a lack of funding. The CDBG - R funds will enable the 2 nd floor to be completed and provide space for additional social service agencies serving low income residents of the City of North Port and south Sarasota County. | 570.201 c | 570.208 (a) (2) Limited clientele activity | \$100,000 | \$0 | \$350,000 | \$450,000 |
| North Sarasota Walkways | Funding will be used to continue the implementation of the North Sarasota Neighborhood Plan. This activity will create a walkway between the Lime Lake neighborhood and the Emma E. Booker Elementary School to permit children to safely walk to school. | 570.201 c | 570.208 (a) (1) Low and Moderate Income Area Benefit | \$97,439 | \$0 | \$0 | \$97,439 |
| North Sarasota / Lime Lake Security Fence | Funding will be used to continue the implementation of the North Sarasota Neighborhood Plan. The funds will be used to install a permanent security fence around Lime Lake. There have been accidents where children have entered the lake and the fence will prevent future incidents from occurring. | 570.201 c | 570.208 (a) (1) Low and Moderate Income Area Benefit | \$45,000 | \$0 | \$0 | \$45,000 |
| Drainage Improvements at the Laurel Park | Funding will be used to continue the implementation of the Laurel Neighborhood Plan. Drainage improvements have been needed at the Laurel Park, but have not been implemented due to a lack of funding. This project will re-engineer and re-grade the drainage to allow the park to be used by lower income residents. | 570.201 c | 570.208 (a) (1) Low and Moderate Income Area Benefit | \$100,000 | \$0 | \$400,000 | \$500,000 |
| Administration | Administration of the CDBG - R Program | 570.206 | | \$38,048 | \$0 | \$0 | \$38,048 |
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RESOLUTION

AMENDING 2008-2009 BUDGET

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
SARASOTA COUNTY, FLORIDA

AMENDMENT NO. B2009-039

RE: Appropriation of ARRA Stimulus Grant Funding for CDBG from HUD

WHEREAS, Section 129.06 Florida Statutes (2008) provides legal authority for the adoption of budget amendments: to incorporate the receipt of unanticipated funds and to provide for their appropriation; to make transfers in handling receipts and disbursements, and; to make other budget amendments that are adopted following public hearing,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SARASOTA COUNTY, FLORIDA, as follows:

That pursuant to the authority of Section 129.06(2)(d), which concerns receipts of a nature from a source not anticipated and received for a particular purpose, the following funds be increased or decreased for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2008 and ending September 30, 2009.

| | <u>INCREASE</u> | <u>DECREASE</u> |
|--|-------------------|-----------------|
| <u>REVENUES</u> | | |
| Community Dev. Block Grant-Fund 104 | | |
| Intergovernment Revenue | \$ 138,049 | \$ 0 |
| TOTAL | <u>\$ 138,049</u> | <u>\$ 0</u> |
| <u>APPROPRIATIONS</u> | | |
| Community Dev. Block Grant-Fund 104 | | |
| Operating Expenditures | \$ 138,049 | \$ 0 |
| TOTAL | <u>\$ 138,049</u> | <u>\$ 0</u> |
| | | |
| | <u>INCREASE</u> | <u>DECREASE</u> |
| <u>REVENUES</u> | | |
| CDBG County Capital Project - Fund 314 | | |
| Intergovernment Revenue | \$ 242,438 | \$ 0 |
| TOTAL | <u>\$ 242,438</u> | <u>\$ 0</u> |
| <u>APPROPRIATIONS</u> | | |
| CDBG County Capital Project - Fund 314 | | |
| Capital Outlay | \$ 242,438 | \$ 0 |
| TOTAL | <u>\$ 242,438</u> | <u>\$ 0</u> |

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT this Resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption. PASSED AND DULY ADOPTED this _____ day of _____, 2009.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF SARASOTA COUNTY, FLORIDA

BY: _____

ATTEST:
KAREN E. RUSHING, Clerk of Circuit Court
and Ex-Officio Clerk to the Board of County
Commissioners of Sarasota County, Florida

BY: _____
Deputy Clerk