

City of Moore, Oklahoma

Substantial Amendment to the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) 2021 Action Plan

For public comment June 17, 2022 through July 18, 2022

City of Moore, Capital Planning and Resiliency

On May 13, 2021 the City of Moore received its fiscal year allocation of CDBG funds of \$349,568. Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funding is used to develop viable communities by promoting integrated approaches that provide decent housing and suitable living environments while expanding economic opportunities for low and moderate income and special needs populations. The Moore City Council adopted the 2021 CDBG Annual Action Plan on July 19, 2021 and it was approved by the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) on September 13, 2021.

The Sharing Tree is a local, non-profit organization who serves families in need by providing a dignified shopping experience at no cost for low income families. The facility is stocked with clothing, household items and basic necessities and is arranged like a department store. The organization also provides four programs.

1. Christmas Connection: Provides news toys and warm winter clothing that parents can pick out for their children.
2. Community Connection: Allows families to come “shop” as needed for clothing, shoes, and small household items.
3. Classroom Connection: Provides new and gently used school uniforms, school appropriate clothing, hygiene products, and backpacks to students.
4. Crisis Connection: provides families to “shop” for bedding, kitchen essentials, counter top appliances, toiletries, clothing, etc. to help relieve some of the financial burden after a total loss due to a fire, flood, tornado, or homeless or domestic abuse victims transitioning into permanent housing.

As stated in the 2021 Annual Action Plan, The Sharing Tree was awarded \$4,000 in CDBG funding to purchase and install basketball goals and pet waste stations open to the public at all times. However, the organization has received some vandalism in the recent months and would like to provide a different public facility to the community. The Sharing Tree is requesting a new budget of \$3,000 to provide a small dry food pantry, named the Sharing Pantry, and a little free library, named the Sharing Library. The Sharing Library would be an honor system food pantry where people who are in need can take food while others who want to donate can replenish the pantry as needed. The Sharing Library promotes reading through neighborhood book exchanges. People can take a book, return a book, or leave a book.

The Sharing Pantry and the Sharing Library will be located on the Sharing Tree property. It is located next door to a subsidized apartment complex and is in a low income census tract, 2020-05, block group 2. This activity will qualify under the low moderate income area national objective.

Reallocation of Funds			
Activity	Current Budget	Reallocation	Proposed Budget
Public Services Activities			
Aging Services	15,000.00	-	15,000.00
Bethesda	7,500.00	-	7,500.00
Moore Youth & Family Community	5,000.00	-	5,000.00
Moore Youth & Family School	5,000.00	-	5,000.00
Mary Abott Childrens House	7,500.00	-	7,500.00
Salvation Army	12,435.00		12,435.00
Infrastructure Activity			
The Sharing Tree	4,000.00	(1,000.00)	3,000.00
Armstrong Sewer Replacement	222,210.00	1,000.00	223,210.00
Administration Activities			
Metropolitan Fair Housing	5,500.00	-	5,500.00
General Administration	44,413.00		44,413.00
Transportation Study/Survey	20,000.00		20,000.00
Total 2020 Allocation	348,558.00		348,558.00

The City of Moore will submit the final substantial plan amendment to the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) after a 30-day comment period expires and a public hearing is held. The comment period began June 17, 2022 and expires on July 18, 2022. The public hearing will be held during the regularly scheduled city council meeting on July 18, 2022 at 6:30pm. The city will include all comments received in its submission of the substantial amendment to HUD.