



# City of Bellevue

## MEMORANDUM

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**DATE:** December 30, 2020

**TO:** Human Services Commission Members

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Human Services Division  
Parks & Community Services Department

### **Agenda Item for January 5, 2021**

#### **CDBG-CV3 Funding Process**

The CARES Act that Congress approved on March 27, 2020, included \$5 billion in special CDBG-CV funds to prevent, prepare for, or respond to the coronavirus. The City of Bellevue received an initial allocation of \$489,623 in CDBG-CV1 funds that were allocated by the City Council in May of 2020. The City Council allocated the funds because the Human Services Commission was not yet meeting virtually, and the Council wanted the funds to be allocated as quickly as possible.

A second round of CDBG-CV funds was allocated to the states.

A third round of funds, known as CDBG-CV3, was announced in the fall of 2020. Bellevue will receive \$897,287 in CDBG-CV3 funds.

The CARES Act also includes a waiver of the 15 percent public services cap for CDBG-CV funds. This means that Bellevue can spend all of its CDBG-CV3 funds on public service activities, but they must explicitly *prevent, prepare for, or respond to the coronavirus*.

Staff will issue a Request for Proposals (RFP) to solicit applications for CDBG-CV public services projects. The Human Services Commission will review these applications and make funding recommendations to the City Council. The current schedule is for the RFP to be issued in early January, applications will be due at the end of January, and the Commission will review the applications and make funding recommendations at their February 16th meeting. The funding recommendations will be presented to the City Council sometime in March.

At tonight's meeting, human services staff will give a brief presentation on the most urgent community needs that could be addressed with CDBG-CV3 funds. Stephen Penner (City of Bellevue Prosecuting Attorney's Office) and Cara Starr (Stein, Lotzkar & Starr P.S.), who sit on the City's Probation Advisory Board, will present the needs that they are seeing. Staff will then ask the Commission for their recommendations on areas of focus for the CDBG-CV3 funding.