



Community Development Department

COVID-19 Programs Update

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THE GOAL

- Federal CARES Act funds administered through the Community Development Block Grant program available to assist impacted cities who experienced negative financial impacts due to the pandemic
- Corona created COVID-19 Programs to provide grants to Corona residents (renters and owners) and business owners

This presentation will provide an overview of the status and success of the programs.

The History – The Resource

March 27, 2020

April 2, 2020

September 11, 2020

The President of the United States signed the CARES Act (Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act). City of Corona is allocated additional funds through the Community Development Block Grant program (CDBG – CV funds). The City's first award is \$734,885 of CDBG-CV funds.

Council Adopted: 06/30/2020 The City's second award is \$935,657 of CDBG-CV funds.

Council Adopted: 11/18/2020

THE PROGRAMS

- Emergency Housing Needs Assistance Program (Rental)
 - Program launched June 2020
 - Total allocation \$585,877
- Emergency Housing Needs Assistance Program (Mortgage)
 - Program launched January 2021
 - Total allocation \$350,000
- Personal Protective Equipment Business Assistance Program (PPE)
 - Program launched January 2021
 - Total allocation \$224,557

Program Outreach

- Social Media Platforms
- Inner Circle Newsletter
- Economic Development Monthly Newsletter
- City Website
- Partnerships with:
 - Fair Housing Council of Riverside County
 - Corona Norco Unified School District
 - **2**11
 - Word of Mouth

EHNAP was designed to respond to the COVID-19 pandemic to provide financial assistance for low to moderate income households with mortgage, rent and utility payments. Corona homeowners and renters that meet income qualifications and financial impacts as a result of COVID-19 may be eligible to receive a grant of up to \$12,000.

Funds are limited; therefore, the first 100 applications will be accepted, date stamped and processed in the order received. To apply, homeowners and renters must complete the EHNAP application (link below) and submit a complete application to the Community Development Department, Housing Division. Income documentation, rental/lease agreement and proof of COVID-19 impact is required. Read the guidelines for a full list of requirements. Application and Guidelines will be mailed upon request.

Click here for Program Guidelines and Application:

https://www.coronaca.gov/Home/Components/News/News/6266/17

For more information and to have an application mailed to you, please call our EHNAP Representatives at 951-736-2260 or 951-736-2434.



Emergency Housing Needs Assistance Program (Rental)

Provide rental/utilities assistance to *renters* that suffered a loss of income due to COVID-19

- > Applicant Eligibility
 - Income: Evidence of current gross annualized household income, at or below 80 percent of Area Median Income (AMI) as published by HUD; and
 - Impact: Demonstrate loss of income due to the COVID-19 pandemic

Program Benefits

- Grant assistance for rent and utility costs for six consecutive months.
- Maximum assistance \$12,000 per household.

Emergency Housing Needs Assistance Program (Mortgage)

Provide mortgage/utilities assistance to *homeowners* that suffered a loss of income due to COVID-19

- > Applicant Eligibility
 - Income: Evidence of current gross annualized household income that is at or below 80 percent AMI; and
 - Impact: Demonstrate loss of income due to the COVID-19 pandemic; and
 - Primary Residence: Reside in the home as primary residence
- Program Benefits
 - Grant assistance for mortgage and utility costs for six consecutive months.
 - Maximum assistance \$12,000 per household.

Personal Protective Equipment Business Assistance Program (PPE)

Provide grants to **business owners** for the purchase of Personal Protective Equipment.

- > Applicant Eligibility
 - Must have a physical location in the City of Corona that is open to the public., ie. nail/hair salons, restaurants, retail stores, or other service-oriented businesses
 - Business has been adversely impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic and required to have PPE to allow for its safe operation.
 - Shall have been established and open to the public prior to March 13, 2020
- Program Benefits
 - Grant funds up to \$5,000 to reimburse costs associated with the purchase of PPE to meet Federal and State guidelines.

THE SUCCESS

EHNAP - Rental (\$585,877)

Lease Assistance: \$570,857 Utility Assistance: \$14,805 Total Assistance to Date: \$585,662

Applications received: 156 Applications Approved: 77

*Average assistance per household: \$7,706

This program is closed.

EHNAP- Mortgage (\$350,000)

Mortgage Assistance: \$88,488 Utility Assistance: \$1,712 Total Assistance To Date: \$90,200 Grant Balance: \$259,800 (21 grants available) Applications received: 16 Applications Approved: 8 Pending review: 4 *Average assistance per household: \$11,275

Program open and accepting applications.

PPE Business Grant (\$224,557)

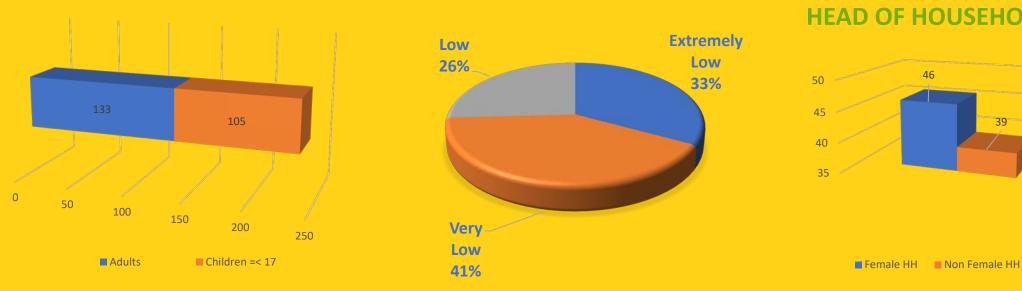
Amount Committed: \$45,000 Grant Balance: \$179,557 (35 grants available)

Applications Received: 10 Applications Approved: 9

Program open and accepting applications

RENTAL/MORTGAGE ASSISTANCE DEMOGRAPHICS

INCOME LEVELS



CORONA RESIDENTS ASSISTED

FEMALE vs NON FEMALE HEAD OF HOUSEHOLDS

46

39

 \geq 85 Households assisted that make up 238 Corona Residents ▶ 46 of 85 Households is Female Head of Household

Program Assistance

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