

**CITY OF ORANGE  
AMENDMENT TO THE  
2024-2025 ANNUAL ACTION PLAN**

**BACKGROUND**

The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) mandates that jurisdictions receiving annual entitlement funding through the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME) programs develop a Consolidated Plan (Con Plan) every five years. This plan is designed to establish the city's housing and community development priorities, ensuring alignment with the objectives of the CDBG and HOME programs. Serving as a comprehensive strategic framework, the Con Plan enables the city to assess affordable housing and community development needs, evaluate market conditions, and make informed decisions based on data analysis.

The Consolidated Plan is implemented through Annual Action Plans, which provide a comprehensive summary of the strategies, activities, and federal and non-federal resources allocated each year to address the specific needs and objectives outlined in the Con Plan.

The City shall amend the approved Consolidated Plan and Annual Action Plans when:

- A substantial change (e.g., 20% or more) in its allocation priorities or a substantial change in the method of distribution of funds takes place; or
- Carries out an activity, using funds from any program covered by the consolidated plan (including program income), not previously described in the action plan; or
- Substantially change the purpose, scope, location, or beneficiaries of an activity.

The substantial change criteria utilized by the City of Orange in this case, is determined by the addition of a new activity that was not previously considered by the Council for the use of HUD funding and in which the change would exceed:

1. 20% of the original allocations or when beneficiaries are impacted by the change; and/or
2. Carries out an activity, using funds from any program covered by the consolidated plan (including program income), not previously described in the action plan

As required by Title I of the Cranston-Gonzalez National Affordable Housing Act, the City of Orange has submitted an Annual Action Plan for the 2024-2025 fiscal year. This Plans outlines the activities and expected allocation for this year. The City also has a Citizen Participation Plan which outlines procedures for citizen participation in the

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planning process of the Consolidated Plan and Annual Action Plan particularly to those areas to be affected by the proposed funds.

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At the May 28, 2024, City Council meeting, members of the City Council approved the allocation of the HUD funds for the 2024–2025 fiscal year. Through the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), the city will allocate an additional \$10,000.00 of available funding that has remained unspent on the 2024-2025 ADA Wheelchair Access Ramp Project to cover the administrative and constructions costs related to the removal of ten existing wheelchair access ramps and replacing them with Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) compliant wheelchair access ramps.

These eligible activities are allowed under the CDBG guidelines.

**CITIZEN PARTICIPATION**

Per the Citizen Participation Plan, the increased compensation to the 2024-2025 ADA Wheelchair Access Ramp Project does not constitute a substantial amendment to the 2024-2025 Action Plan as it is below 20% (below \$20,000) of the original allocation.