



PUBLIC NOTICE REQUEST FOR PUBLIC COMMENTS

CITY OF BROWNSVILLE
2013-2014 One Year Action Plan
Comment Period: June 28, 2013 – July 29, 2013

{AVISO PUBLICO: SE INVITA AL PUBLICO EN GENERAL A REVISAR Y COMENTAR SOBRE EL DOCUMENTO “2013-2014 ONE-YEAR ACTION PLAN” Y REALIZAR SUGERENCIAS CON RESPECTO AL USO Y ASIGNACION DE FONDOS FEDERALES QUE RECIBE BROWNSVILLE; SUS SUGERENCIAS Y COMENTARIOS DEBERÁN DE SER ENTREGADAS A PARTIR DEL DIA 5º DE JULIO Y A MAS TARDAR EL 29 DE JULIO 2013. EL DOCUMENTO ESTARA DISPONIBLE EN VARIAS UBICACIONES DE LA CIUDAD. Para mas informacion en Español acerca de este aviso, favor de llamar al telefono (956) 548-6167.}

Notice is hereby given that the City of Brownsville has prepared its 2013 – 2014 One-Year Action Plan (budget) for CDBG, ESG, and HOME programs. The purpose of this notice is to obtain comments on the City of Brownsville’s proposed 2013-2014 One-Year Action Plan (OYAP). Available funding is follows:

• Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)	\$ 2,824,627.00
• HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME)	\$ 751,796.00
• Emergency Shelter Grant (ESG)	\$ 217,152.00
• Uncommitted Funds (CDBG)	\$ 377,939.00
• Uncommitted HOME (HOME)	\$ 2,353,383.60
TOTAL FUNDS:	\$6,199,897.76

The City of Brownsville will submit its 2013-2014 One-Year Action Plan to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development San Antonio Field Office (HUD), Region VI, Office of Community Planning & Development, H.F. Garcia Federal Building/U.S. Courthouse, 615 E. Houston Street, Suite 347, San Antonio, Texas 78205, on or about August 7, 2013. HUD will review the One-Year Action Plan and is expected to approve the Plan by October 1, 2013. All proposed projects are contingent upon funding availability, eligibility, and environmental clearance, amongst other HUD program requirements.

2013 / 2014 Program Year (PY) - One Year Action Plan		
Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)		\$ 3,202,566.00
<i>Includes Program Year (PY) 2013 funding (\$2,824,627.00) and Uncommitted Funds (\$377,939.00)</i>		
Agency	Activity	Budget
General Administration		
City of Brownsville - OGM CD Dept.	21H - General CDBG Administration (20% of PY 2013)	\$ 564,925.00
City of Brownsville	19F - Section 108 Loan Repayment	\$ 229,700.00
Subtotal		\$ 794,625.00
Public Services		
Girl Scouts	03 - Girls Scouts In-School Girls Assistance Program	\$ 10,000.00
Good Neighbor Settlement Home	03T - Basic Needs	\$ 50,000.00
United Way	05 - Volunteer Income Tax Assistance	\$ 25,000.00
CASA	05C - Court Appointed Special Advocates	\$ 35,000.00
Sunshine Haven	05M - Sunshine Haven, Inc.	\$ 75,527.00
Ronald McDonald House Charities of the RGV	05M - Ronald McDonald House Charities	\$ 40,000.00
Tip of Texas Family Outreach	05N - Parenting Program	\$ 25,000.00
Subtotal		\$ 260,527.00
Public Facilities and Improvements		
City of Brownsville - Southmost Public Library	03E - Southmost Community Center (Dome) Phase II	\$ 625,150.00
City of Brownsville - Parks and Recreation Dept.	03E - Sports Park Community Center (Dome) Phase II	\$ 550,000.00
City of Brownsville - Planning Dept.	03F - Southmost Hike and Bike Trail (Phase II)	\$ 425,000.00
City of Brownsville - Parks and Recreation Dept.	03D - Youth Homeless Resource Center (Phase II)	\$ 150,000.00
Subtotal		\$ 1,750,150.00

03K Street Improvement		
City of Brownsville - Public Works Dept.	Rio Grande Avenue	\$ 14,538.57
City of Brownsville - Public Works Dept.	Las Casas Street	\$ 45,091.66
City of Brownsville - Public Works Dept.	Cedar Street	\$ 39,394.48
City of Brownsville - Public Works Dept.	Simpson Street	\$ 43,783.20
City of Brownsville - Public Works Dept.	Thomas Street	\$ 36,234.37
City of Brownsville - Public Works Dept.	Fay Street	\$ 18,971.27
City of Brownsville - Public Works Dept.	Goodwin Street	\$ 18,118.24
City of Brownsville - Public Works Dept.	Scott Street	\$ 18,117.19
City of Brownsville - Public Works Dept.	Clover Drive	\$ 15,852.54
City of Brownsville - Public Works Dept.	Sunflower Drive	\$ 15,097.66
City of Brownsville - Public Works Dept.	Sequoia Drive	\$ 9,813.48
City of Brownsville - Public Works Dept.	Redwood Drive	\$ 16,559.48
City of Brownsville - Public Works Dept.	Renfro Boulevard	\$ 90,585.93
City of Brownsville - Public Works Dept.	Yolanda Street	\$ 15,097.66
Subtotal		\$ 397,255.73
Total		\$ 3,202,557.73
HOME Partnership Program (HOME)		\$ 3,105,179.60
<i>Includes 2013 program funding (\$751,796.00) and Uncommitted funds (\$2,353,383.60)</i>		
Agency	Activity	Budget
City of Brownsville - OGM CD Dept.	21A - HOME General Administration (10% of PY 2013)	\$ 75,179.60
Community Development Corporation of Brownsville	14G - Acquisition/Rehab Program (10 Homes)	\$ 370,000.00
Community Development Corporation of Brownsville	12 - New Construction - Scattered Sites (17 Homes)	\$ 490,000.00
Community Development Corporation of Brownsville	13 - Homebuyer Assistance Program (Min. 40 Homes)	\$ 1,000,000.00
Architecture for Charity of Texas, Inc.	12 - New Construction - St. Tropez Subdivision (7 Homes)	\$ 250,000.00
Architecture for Charity of Texas, Inc.	21I - CHDO Operating Costs	\$ 50,000.00
Brownsville Affordable Homeownership Corporation	12 - New Construction - Scattered Sites (10 Homes)	\$ 320,000.00
Brownsville Affordable Homeownership Corporation	21I - CHDO Operating Costs	\$ 50,000.00
City of Brownsville	14A - Rehab/Reconstruction Program (Min. 20 Homes)	\$ 500,000.00
Total		\$ 3,105,179.60
Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG)		\$ 217,152.00
Agency	Activity	Budget
City of Brownsville - OGM CD Dept.	21A - ESG General Administration (5% of PY 2013)	\$ 10,857.00
Communities in Schools Cameron County	05 - Homeless Youth Education Component	\$ 17,265.00
Good Neighbor Settlement Home, Inc.	05 - Basic Needs	\$ 88,000.00
Ozanam Center	05 - Emergency Shelter Program	\$ 101,030.00
Total		\$ 217,152.00
Alternate(s)		
05 CDBG Social Services		
Communities in Schools Cameron County	05D - At-Risk Student Enrichment Program	\$ 39,000.00
Dentists Who Care	05 - Mobile Dental Unit	\$ 20,000.00
Friendship of Women	05N - Children's Domestic Abuse Program	\$ 29,079.00
03F Public Facilities and Improvements		
City of Brownsville - Planning Dept.	03F - Southmost Hike and Bike Trail (Phase II) (Partially funded / Total Project Budget = \$589,500)	\$ 164,500.00
City of Brownsville - Parks and Recreation Dept.	03F - Prax Olive (Sunrise) Park Improvements	\$ 40,000.00
City of Brownsville - Planning Dept.	03F - Washington Park Restoration/Renovation /Activation	\$ 265,000.00
ESG		
Ozanam Center	05 - Emergency Shelter Program (Partially Funded / Total Project Budget = \$114,250)	\$ 13,220.00
Friendship of Women	05 - Children's Domestic Abuse Program	\$ 26,521.00

Interested parties are encouraged to submit written comments on the proposed One-Year Action Plan on the date and time so noted, or you may call (956) 548-6167, or come by the City of Brownsville Office of Grant Management & Community Development Department, located at 1034 E. Levee Street, 2nd Floor, Brownsville, Texas 78520. A full description of the listed projects will be made available to any interested party throughout the 30-day comment period. The 2013 – 2014 One-Year Action Plan may be viewed online at <http://grants.cob.us> and is available at the following locations:

- Brownsville Public Library, 2600 Central Blvd., Brownsville, TX
- Southmost Public Library, 4320 Southmost Blvd., Brownsville, TX
- Southmost Community Network Center, 2900 Southmost Road, Brownsville, TX
- Westside Community Network Center, 1763 U.S. Highway 281, Brownsville, TX
- Brownsville Housing Authority, 24 Elm Street, Brownsville, TX.

The Citizens' **30-day Comment Period** for the 2013-2014 One-Year Action Plan begins on Friday, June 28, 2013 and will end on Monday, July 29, 2013. Comments will be accepted between the hours of 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday thru Friday.

The City of Brownsville does not discriminate on the basis of disability in the admission of, access to, treatment of, or employment in its programs, activities, or public meetings. Any individual with a disability in need of an accommodation is encouraged to contact the ADA Coordinator at (956) 548-6037 (voice or Relay TX). Please provide 2-3 days notice so that proper accommodations can be provided.

