



February 23, 2021

Mr. Dan Tripp
Chairman of Finance Committee
Greenville County Council
301 University Ridge, Suite 2400
Greenville, SC 29601

Dear Councilman Tripp:

The Greenville County Redevelopment Authority (GCRA) Board and Staff is preparing an amendment to the approved Fiscal Year 2020 – 2024 Greenville County Consolidated Plan and FY 2020 Annual Action Plan to include the second round of supplemental funds from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. The Greenville County has received additional funds for Emergency Solutions Grant – COVID-19 (ESG - CV) in the amount of \$1,935,622 and Community Development Block Grant – COVID-19 in the amount of \$2,258,601 for review and approval by County Council. The Consolidated Plan is the County's five-year plan submitted to HUD, identifying Housing, Homelessness and Community Development assessed needs and with specific goals, objectives, and strategies to address the needs throughout the unincorporated areas of Greenville County and the five participating municipalities of Fountain Inn, Greer, Mauldin, Simpsonville, and Travelers Rest, including Greer and Fountain Inn city limits located within Spartanburg and Laurens Counties, respectively.

Please note, the approved FY 2020 Consolidated and Annual Action Plan included the use of the County's Entitlement funds: HOME Investment Partnership (HOME), Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), Emergency Solutions Grand (ESG) and as well as the first round of COVID-19 funds from HUD on CDBG-CV for \$1,640,656 and ESG-CV for \$804,966 to be used in accordance with CARES-Act to prevent, prepare for and respond to the coronavirus pandemic. These funds were awarded to partners, actively working with GCRA staff to provide direct financial assistance to individuals and families impacted by COVID-19 and have been substantially expended. Approximately a total of 1000 households were assisted with housing cost items.

The 2nd round of the fund in CDBG-CV and ESG-CV will further assist additional families and individuals affected by COVID-19 and will be implemented in similar manner as the 1st round of COVID-19 funds. All documents require review and approval by Council for submission to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for approval. The GCRA Board and Staff thank Council for the opportunity to present this information for review. Staff will be available to answer any questions Council may have regarding the request. If you have any questions, I can be reached at (864) 242-9801, extension 114.

Sincerely,

John Castile.
Executive Director