



# RESOLUTION \_\_\_\_\_

## RESOLUTION NO. R162

A Resolution of the City of Allentown, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, authorizing the submission of an application to the Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development for funding through the Community Development Block Grant-Coronavirus (CDBG-CV) Program, as part of the Coronavirus, Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act [P.L. 116-136], and further certifying compliance with the requirements of said program.

WHEREAS, it is necessary and in the public interest that the City of Allentown, Pennsylvania, receive funds from the Commonwealth through the Department of Community and Economic Development in accordance with the Community Development Block Grant-Coronavirus Program; and

WHEREAS, the City of Allentown has the legal authority and responsibility to apply for Community Development Block Grant-Coronavirus funds; and

WHEREAS, the City of Allentown have undertaken a considerable community participation process including but not limited to written invitations to municipalities, informational meetings, hearings and legal notices all of which culminated in the development of a Community Needs Assessment; and

WHEREAS, the City of Allentown are familiar with the requirements of the program as included in the Statement of Assurances; and

WHEREAS, the City of Allentown wishes to apply for said funds.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City of Allentown that its DCED is authorized to have prepared the necessary forms and documents to submit an application to the Department of Community and Economic Development for Community Development Block Grant-Coronavirus funds for the purposes aforesaid; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, if CDBG-CV funds are determined by the Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development to be expended on ineligible program costs or do not meet a national objective, the City of Allentown agrees to repay the proportion deemed ineligible from non-federal sources.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Community Needs Assessment developed in coordination with low and moderate individuals, interested organizations, non-profits and other interested parties through the citizen participation process and municipal information gathering is hereby adopted; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Clerk of the City of Allentown is empowered to place her signature, on behalf of the governing body, on necessary application forms and affix thereto the official seal of the Unit of Local Government.

Adopted by the \_\_\_\_\_ at the regular meeting of date \_\_\_\_\_

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Signature

Date

Seal

- **What Department or bureau is Bill originating from? Where did the initiative for the bill originate?**

Department of Community and Economic Development

- **Summary and Facts of the Bill**

This is to acknowledge that the City of Allentown would like to file an application for a PA DCED CDBG-CV Grant in the amount of \$500,00.00

- **Purpose – Please include the following in your explanation:**
  - **What does the Bill do – what are the specific goals/tasks the bill seek to accomplish**
  - **What are the Benefits of doing this/Down-side of doing this**
  - **How does this Bill related to the City’s Vision/Mission/Priorities**

The project being undertaken by DCED is the Pennsylvania Community and Economic Development CDBG-CV 2021 Grant. This grant will specifically benefit Allentown non-profits who provide public services. The grant would allow subrecipients to respond, prepare for and prevent COVID-19. This grant aligns with SP-25 Priority needs- 91.215(2)(a).

- **Financial Impact – Please include the following in your explanation:**
  - **Cost (Initial and ongoing)**
  - **Benefits (initial and ongoing)**

There is no cost to the city. This grant is on a reimbursement basis.

- **Funding Sources – Please include the following in your explanation:**
  - **If transferring funds, please make sure bill gives specific accounts; if appropriating funds from a grant list the agency awarding the grant.**

These funds will be held at CED and will be drawn on a reimbursement basis. This program will work exactly like the federal HUD Grants.

- **Priority status/Deadlines, if any**

This Grant is due November 15, 2021.

- **Why should Council unanimously support this bill?**

Public Benefit Standards

The benefit standard for this project will benefit City residents who utilize public services. These funds will allow subrecipients to prepare for, respond to and prevent COVID-19.

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