

The CDBG hearing is not conducted just for the project being applied for at this time. HUD requires local government applicants to allow for citizens to bring up other things and issues in the public forum without consideration to their relationship to the grant requests for which the hearing was called. Below is a list of other needs that may be considered at this session that seem appropriate for the circumstances facing the nation. The list does not constitute a policy position or a mandate of ideas although the first one fits the current circumstances surrounding the current grant opportunity. Suggestions on others to add or replace these are welcome.

The discussion of other community development and housing needs included and in order of priority were:

1. Assist where possible small businesses throughout the county that have been negatively impacted by the COVID-19 virus pandemic;
2. Improve resources to help all the communities, both businesses and residents, who have been negatively affected by the virus;
3. Assist where possible individuals access social, financial and government services and other resources to recover from the viral disaster;
4. Develop a plan for the county that will help mitigate the effects of any situation similar to the current circumstances due to the viral outbreak;
5. Gather information for future resources to provide to persons and businesses that will help them cope with similar situations.