

CITY OF VENICE CDBG SUBSTANTIAL
AMENDMENT TO YEAR ONE AND YEAR TWO ACTION
PLAN

THE CDBG SUBSTANTIAL AMENDMENT

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A. CDBG INFORMATION BY ACTIVITY

(1) Activity Name: Venice Housing Authority and All Faith's Food Bank/Food Pantry

(2) Activity Narrative:

The purpose of this Substantial Amendment is to allocate funds from the food pantry to the housing authority. In the Year One and Two Action Plan, the City of Venice allocated \$5,000 per year to All Faith's Food Bank for pantry supplies and home food delivery for the elderly within Venice city limits. A contract was executed with them on January 15, 2010. All Faith's Food Bank collects food and distributes to organizations within city limits including Fisher's of Men, Salvation Army and Meals on Wheels. The city was informed that All Faith's Food Bank will not use their \$10,000 allocation for food purchases from the city's CDBG entitlement. All Faith's Food Bank has been receiving substantial donations and funding from USDA.

City staff contacted Sarasota County for advice on allocating the \$10,000 funds. Staff recommends that the \$10,000 be allocated to the troubled Venice Housing Authority for several reasons:

- During the April 22, 2008 community workshop on the Consolidated Plan, the Venice Housing Authority was ranked as the number one concern.
- The housing authority is labeled as "troubled" by the Office of Housing and Urban Development.
- The funds directly assist low to moderate income housing and meet the National Objectives and Eligible Activities for CDBG funds.
- The housing authority is currently spending funds towards infrastructure design for the construction of the first building. They have a current contract with the city for funding and will be able to expend the funds within the deadline.

(3) Responsible Organization:

The contact with the City of Venice is:

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B. PUBLIC COMMENT

Provide a summary of public comments received to the proposed CDBG Substantial Amendment.

Note: A Proposed CDBG Substantial Amendment must be published via the usual methods and posted on the jurisdiction's website for no less than 30 calendar days for public comment.

Response:

The Substantial Amendment was published on October 23, 2010. A public hearing was held on November 23, 2010. **Add Summary of Public Comments.**