

**Columbus Consolidated Government
Council Meeting Agenda Item**

TO:	Mayor and Councilors
AGENDA SUBJECT:	2021 State of Georgia Department of Community Affairs Application (Feeding the Valley) – Continuous Use Policy, Ongoing Operations, and Maintenance Plan
AGENDA SUMMARY:	Approval is requested to comply with the continuous use policy, ongoing operations, and maintenance plan matching funds requirement of the 2021 State of Georgia Department of Community Affairs Application (Feeding the Valley Facility Expansion) CDBG-CV grant. The DCA CDBG-CV funding has a requirement that CDBG-CV projects that propose to renovate a building for the purpose of serving a limited clientele population must also adhere to DCA's Continued Use Policy for a period of ten (10) years commit to ongoing operations and the creation of maintenance plan to protect the investment of awarded funds. Feeding the Valley Food Bank will be responsible for adherence to the continuous use policy, ongoing operations, and maintenance plan.
INITIATED BY:	Community Reinvestment Department

Recommendation: Approval is requested to comply with the continuous use policy, ongoing operations, and maintenance plan matching funds requirement of the 2021 State of Georgia Department of Community Affairs Application (Feeding the Valley Facility Expansion) CDBG-CV grant.

Background: The State of Georgia Department of Community Affairs (DCA) has announced the FY 2021 CDBG-CV request for proposals. The available funding is only available to local government entities. Community Reinvestment has worked with River Valley Regional Commission (RVRC) and Feeding the Valley to develop a grant application which will be submitted to DCA no later than November 19, 2021. If awarded, the DCA CDBG-CV Grant could provide up to \$3,142,500 to expand the facilities of Feeding the Valley located at 6744 Flat Rock Road in Midland, Georgia. The expansion will include new construction of warehouse space that will allow for an expected increase in service provision across the city and surrounding communities.

Approval was requested to apply, and if awarded, accept, and amend the State of Georgia Department of Community Affairs CDBG-CV application by the amount awarded up to \$3,112,500 and amend the Multi-Governmental Fund by the amount awarded. The DCA CDBG-CV funding has a requirement that CDBG-CV projects that propose to renovate a building for the purpose of serving a limited clientele population must also adhere to DCA's Continued Use Policy for a period of ten (10) years commit to ongoing operations and the creation of maintenance plan to protect the investment of awarded funds. Feeding the Valley Food Bank will be responsible for adherence to the continuous use policy, ongoing operations, and maintenance plan.

Analysis: If awarded, the DCA CDBG-CV Grant could provide up to \$3,142,500 to expand the facilities of Feeding the Valley located at 6744 Flat Rock Road in Midland, Georgia. The

expansion will include new construction of warehouse space that will allow for an expected increase in service provision across the city and surrounding communities. Feeding the Valley Food bank will be responsible for adherence to the continuous use policy, ongoing operations, and maintenance plan.

Financial Considerations: There will be no financial impact. There are no match requirements for this grant by the city. The match funds will be provided by Feeding the Valley.

Legal Considerations: The City Attorney will review all grant agreements prior to obtaining the mayor's signature.

Recommendation/Action: Approve the attached Resolution recognizing the City of Columbus will comply with the continuous use policy, ongoing operations, and maintenance plan requirements of the 2021 State of Georgia Department of Community Affairs Application (Feeding the Valley Facility Expansion) CDBG-CV grant. The grant funding will be utilized for Feeding the Valley facility expansion. The match funds are being provided by Feeding the Valley.

A RESOLUTION

NO.

A RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING THE COLUMBUS CONSOLIDATED GOVERNMENT AND FEEDING THE VALLEY FOOD BANK WILL COMPLY WITH THE CONTINUOUS USE POLICY, ONGOING OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE PLAN FOR THE STATE OF GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2021, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT-CV PROGRAM FUNDS AND FEEDING THE VALLEY FOOD BANK WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE ADHERENCE TO THE CONTINUOUS USE POLICY, ONGOING OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE PLAN.

WHEREAS, Columbus Consolidated Government is applying for a FY 2021 Community Development Block Grant-Coronavirus (CDBG-CV) application to the State of Georgia Department of Community Affairs (DCA); and,

WHEREAS, Columbus Consolidate Government will serve as the grant's applicant/recipient for the CDBG-CV application to modify the building located at 6744 Flat Rock Rd, Midland, GA 31820 and Feeding the Valley Food Bank will serve as the subrecipient. The facility will be expanded and used as a food bank for at least ten (10) years; and,

WHEREAS, Columbus Consolidated Government is aware that all CDBG-CV projects that propose to renovate a building for the purpose of serving a limited clientele population must also adhere to DCA's Continued Use Policy for a period of ten (10) years and the ongoing operations and maintenance plan.

WHEREAS, Feeding the Valley Food bank will be responsible for adherence to the continuous use policy, ongoing operations, and maintenance plan.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF COLUMBUS, GEORGIA, AS FOLLOWS:

It is hereby resolved that the Columbus Consolidated Government is aware that all DCA CDBG-CV awarded projects that propose to renovate a building for the purpose of serving a limited clientele population must also adhere to DCA's Continued Use Policy for a period of ten (10) years and the ongoing operations and maintenance plan. Feeding the Valley Food Bank will be responsible for adherence to the continuous use policy, ongoing operations, and maintenance plan.

Introduced at a regular meeting of the Council of Columbus, Georgia, held the _____ day of _____, 2021 and adopted at said meeting by the affirmative vote of _____ members of said Council.

- Councilor Allen voting _____.
- Councilor Barnes voting _____.
- Councilor Crabb voting _____.
- Councilor Davis voting _____.
- Councilor Garrett voting _____.
- Councilor House voting _____.
- Councilor Huff voting _____.
- Councilor Thomas voting _____.
- Councilor Tucker voting _____.
- Councilor Woodson voting _____.