



THIS SUBSTANTIAL AMENDMENT HAS BEEN CANCELLED. THERE IS NO LONGER A 30-DAY PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD AND THERE WILL NOT BE A PUBLIC HEARING ON THIS AMENDMENT AT THE APRIL 3, 2019 CITIZENS' ADVISORY BOARD MEETING. IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS ABOUT THE CANCELLING OF THIS SUBSTANTIAL AMENDMENT PLEASE CONTACT STEPHANIE BRAY AT (253) 798-6917 OR STEPHANIE.BRAY@CO.PIERCE.WA.US.

SUBSTANTIAL AMENDMENT #3 TO THE 2018 ONE YEAR ACTION PLAN

Pierce County Human Services is making a substantial amendment to the 2018 One Year Action Plan submitted to HUD in June 2018 and approved by HUD on August 22, 2018. This substantial amendment includes reallocating 2018 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) public services funds from the Pierce County Community Action Agency CAREER program in the amount of \$17,760 to the Pierce County Community Action Agency ECEAP program for a total 2018 CDBG public services funds of \$96,810.

Pierce County's Community Action Agency CAREER and ECEAP Program

The 2018 One Year Action Plan stated that the CAREER program would be awarded \$47,410 of CDBG public services funds and the ECEAP program would be awarded \$52,700. However, the CAREER program was unable to use the majority of the CDBG funds as the program ended December 31, 2018 due to the reduction of other funding sources. Since the CAREER program only incurred CDBG costs of \$3,300 during the first six months of the 2018 program year (July 1 – December 31) the Community Action Agency has requested to use the remaining award amount of \$44,110 for the ECEAP program.

Pierce County's Citizen Participation Plan allows the County to increase award amounts by up to 50% which allowed ECEAP to receive \$26,350 of the CAREER program's award without completing a substantial amendment. However, the remaining \$17,760 of the CAREER program's award requires a substantial amendment in order for this amount to be reallocated to the ECEAP program. If this substantial amendment is approved, it will bring ECEAP's 2018 CDBG public services award to a total of \$96,810.

The ECEAP program provides family development and early childhood education services to low- to moderate-income families to help children succeed in the school environment and to assist parents to be instrumental in that success. Staff provides a variety of pre-school experiences to three and four-year-old children from low-income families. The services provided are center-based programs rich in language and literacy experiences which enhance learning and provide encouragement to parents to become involved in their child's education. Parents have the opportunity for personal growth, empowerment, and leadership, by becoming involved in their child's education. While participating in the ECEAP program children also benefit from dental, vision, hearing, and developmental screenings. It is anticipated that ECEAP will serve 285 children. The additional funds will allow children to receive 10.5 additional hours (one week) and will offer families three additional weeks of support services as needed after the child has exited the class. Activities are undertaken at various ECEAP sites

in Pierce County. The main office for ECEAP is Pierce County's Community Action Agency located at 3602 Pacific Ave, Suite 200, Tacoma, WA 98418.

Public Review and Comment Process

A 30-day public comment period for review of this substantial amendment #3 to the 2018 One Year Action Plan begins March 1, 2019 and closes on April 3, 2019. On April 3, 2019 at 6:00 p.m., Human Services will present the substantial amendment during the Citizens' Advisory Board (CAB) meeting and the CAB will hold a public hearing on the substantial amendment. The public is encouraged to attend and offer feedback at the CAB meeting. During the 30-day public comment period, Stephanie Bray, Community Development Supervisor (Human Services, 1305 Tacoma Ave South, Suite 104, Tacoma, WA 98402) will accept written comments. Any written comments received during the 30-day public comment period and/or at the public hearing held by the Citizens' Advisory Board will be written here at the end of the public comment period.

Location and Contact Information

All CAB meetings are held in conference room 1 at the Sound View Building (3602 Pacific Ave, Suite 200, Tacoma, WA 98418). For questions about accessibility or to request a translator at the CAB meeting, contact Stephanie Bray: stephanie.bray@piercecountywa.gov, (253) 798-6917 (TDD/Voice (800) 833-6388) five business days prior to the CAB meeting date of April 3, 2019.