

Palm Beach County Department of Housing and Economic Sustainability CARES Mortgage Assistance Program

NOTICE OF FUNDING AVAILABILITY

Palm Beach County Department of Housing and Economic Sustainability hereby announce the availability of \$20,000,000 in CARES Act funding for temporary relief to homeowners for the following:

<u>Mortgage Assistance</u>: CARES Act funding will provide assistance to income eligible households who are delinquent in their first mortgage and escrow payments (PITI). Additionally, funding may assist with late fees, attorney's fees, condominium and homeowners' association payments, special assessments, and other mortgage associated costs related to COVID-19.

Maximum Award: \$10,000 (Up to four-months mortgage payments, but not to exceed \$10,000)

Program Terms: Financial Assistance will be awarded as a grant

Applicant Selection Criteria: Applicants must complete an online application by visiting the Website at: http://discover.pbcgov.com/hes/, **Monday, June 29, 2020 – Friday, August 14, 2020.** Applications will be accepted on a first come, first qualified, first served basis, subject to funding availability. Applicants must meet the program requirements, at the time of application submittal, and must be able to provide:

- (1) proof of loss of income, reduction in hours, or unemployment as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic;
- (2) copy of valid drivers' license or state identification for applicant and co-applicant;
- (3) copy of recent paycheck stub for applicant and co-applicant (OR) a current completed verification of employment;
- (4) a completed YTD profit and loss statement (if self-employed);
- (5) copy of recent social security, retirement and/or disability award letter for applicant and co-applicant;
- (6) most recent mortgage payment statement showing proof of the applicant's delinquency NOTE: Mortgage payments must have been current as of February 29, 2020. Individuals with a forbearance and/or mortgage modification plan in place will be evaluated on a case-by-case basis, and
- (7) copy of homeowners'/condominium association delinquent statement (if applicable).

Additional Information:

- Homeowners who received first mortgage financing through Palm Beach County Department of Housing and Economic Sustainability, are not eligible to participate in this program.
- Property must be participants' primary residence
- Property must be located in Palm Beach County
- Participants' Market value of their property may not exceed \$331,888 (current maximum sales price for PBC housing programs)
- Participants must be at least one-month delinquent
- Participants are required to receive mortgage delinquency default resolution counseling from an Approved Counseling Agency prior to disbursement of funds.
- Participants can only receive assistance once

** All Belle Glade residents may receive assistance with completing the application. To schedule an appointment, interested parties shall contact 561-996-0100 ext. 2121 and leave a voicemail with their name and telephone number. All calls will be returned within 24 business hours. **