

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) (B24UC120003)

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS

Construction of Public Facilities

Coalition for the Homeless of Central Florida, Inc.
(Women & Children Shelter – site improvements) \$1,024,092.00

Rehabilitation of Public Facilities

Aspire Health Partners, Inc. (Kassab Plaza – roof replacement) \$ 263,538.00
Central Florida Family Health Center, Inc. (Alafaya facility flooring) \$ 76,626.00
Primrose Center, Inc. (Storm shelter for adults w/disabilities) \$ 628,554.00
The Salvation Army (Men’s Shelter – modernization) \$ 929,529.00
Town of Eatonville CRA (Eatonville Works – facility improvements) \$ 447,880.00

Total Capital Improvement Projects **\$3,370,219.00**

HOUSING PROJECTS

Single Family Rehabilitation

Homeowners Single Family Rehabilitation \$1,160,000.00

Housing Rehabilitation Administration \$ 401,276.00

Total Housing Projects **\$1,561,276.00**

PUBLIC SERVICES

Ability Housing, Inc. \$ 45,000.00

Aspire Health Partners, Inc. \$ 60,000.00

Boys and Girls Clubs of Central Florida, Inc. \$ 50,000.00

Catholic Charities of Central Florida, Inc. \$ 40,000.00

Covenant House Florida, Inc. \$ 40,000.00

Grand Avenue Economic Comm. Dev. Corp. \$ 40,000.00

Grand Avenue Econ. Comm. Dev. Corp. (dba Pathways Drop-In Center) \$ 44,543.00

Harbor House of Central Florida, Inc. \$ 45,000.00

Health Care Center for the Homeless, Inc. \$ 60,000.00

IDignity, Inc. \$ 45,000.00

IMPOWER, Inc. \$ 42,000.00

Jewish Family Services of Greater Orlando, Inc. \$ 58,000.00

Life Concepts (dba Quest), Inc. \$ 60,000.00

Primrose Center, Inc. \$ 60,000.00

SALT Outreach, Inc. \$ 45,000.00

Seniors First, Inc. (Meals on Wheels) \$ 155,000.00

Shepherd’s Hope, Inc. \$ 50,000.00

Total Public Services **\$ 939,543.00**

ADMINISTRATION

Fair Housing Activities and Training \$ 20,000.00

General Administration \$1,447,759.00

Total Administration **\$1,467,759.00**

TOTAL CDBG BUDGET **\$7,338,797.00**

HOME INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIPS PROGRAM (HOME) (M24UC120213)

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| Tenant Based Rental Assistance | \$ 1,400,000.00 |
| Homeowners Single Family Rehabilitation | \$ 300,000.00 |
| Rental Housing Rehabilitation | \$ 247,856.00 |
| Community Housing Development Organizations | \$ 389,572.00 |
| Administration | <u>\$ 259,714.10</u> |
| TOTAL HOME BUDGET | \$ 2,597,142.10 |

EMERGENCY SOLUTIONS GRANT (ESG) (E24UC120003)

SHELTER OPERATIONS

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| Coalition for the Homeless of Central Florida, Inc. | \$ 133,000.00 |
| Family Promise of Greater Orlando, Inc. | \$ 53,000.00 |
| Harbor House of Central Florida, Inc. | \$ 83,000.00 |
| The Salvation Army | <u>\$ 73,000.00</u> |
| Total Shelter Operations | \$ 342,000.00 |

STREET OUTREACH

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| Covenant House Florida, Inc. | <u>\$ 45,500.00</u> |
| Total Street Outreach | \$ 45,500.00 |

HOMELESSNESS PREVENTION SERVICES

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| Cristian Service Center of Central Florida, Inc. | \$ 98,362.00 |
| Family Promise of Greater Orlando, Inc. | <u>\$ 100,000.00</u> |
| Total Homelessness Prevention | \$ 198,362.00 |

HOMELESS MANAGEMENT INFORMATION SYSTEM (HMIS)

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|----------------------------------------------------|---------------------|
| Homeless Services Network of Central Florida, Inc. | <u>\$ 20,000.00</u> |
| Total HMIS | \$ 20,000.00 |

ESG ADMINISTRATION (~6.2%)

\$ 40,126.00

TOTAL ESG BUDGET

\$ 645,988.00

TOTAL 2024-2025 ACTION PLAN BUDGET

\$10,581,927.10

REPROGRAMMED CDBG FUNDS (prior to 2024)

Construction of Public facilities

Coalition for the Homeless of Central Florida, Inc.
(Women & Children Shelter – site improvements) \$ 975,908.00

Rental Housing Rehabilitation

Orlando Neighborhood Improvement Corp.
(Maitland Oaks Apartments – door & window replacement) \$ 614,852.00

TOTAL REPROGRAMMED CDBG FUNDS

\$ 1,590,760.00

FINAL 2024-2025 ACTION PLAN BUDGET (including reprogrammed funds) \$12,172,687.10

CDBG Capital Improvement and Housing Projects

| Agency Name | Project Description | Proposed Funding Allocation |
|-----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| <i>Construction of Public Facilities</i> | | |
| Coalition for the Homeless of Central Florida, Inc. | Center for Women and Children – construction of a new emergency shelter for homeless persons on the agency's Downtown campus (Phase I). Costs to cover general construction activities associated with site improvements and infrastructure. | \$1,024,092.00 |
| <i>Rehabilitation of Public Facilities</i> | | |
| Aspire Health Partners, Inc. | Kassab Plaza Building A – improvements to the facility that provides medical detox services to persons with substance use disorders. Funds to cover replacement of a roof. | \$263,538.00 |
| Central Florida Family Health Center, Inc. | Alafaya Improvements – rehabilitation of the flooring of the Alafaya Community Health Center that provides medical services to low-income and uninsured patients. Funded improvements include replacement of a flooring at the facility. | \$76,626.00 |
| Primrose Center, Inc. | Storm Shelter for Adults with Disabilities – retrofit of existing buildings on the agency's campus to better withstand hurricanes & storms when providing services to persons with disabilities. Funded improvements include replacement of windows and doors, and installation of 4 generators. | \$628,554.00 |
| The Salvation Army | Men's Shelter Modernization (emergency shelter for homeless individuals) – a variety of building improvements and repairs. Funds to cover installation of an elevator. | \$929,529.00 |
| Town of Eatonville CRA | Eatonville Works Employment and Business Incubator – improvements to a public facility that will house the CareerSource and provide small business incubator space. Funded improvements include sitework and internal construction improvements. | \$447,880.00 |
| Total CDBG Capital Improvement Projects | | \$3,370,219.00 |

CDBG Housing Projects

| Activity Name or Agency Name | Project Description | Proposed Funding Allocation |
|-----------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|
| <i>Single Family Rehabilitation</i> | | |
| Homeowner Housing Rehabilitation and Administration | Rehabilitation services, including minor home repairs and substantial repairs to qualified low-income households. | \$1,561,276.00 (to include program administration) |
| Total CDBG Housing Projects | | \$1,561,276.00 |

CDBG Public Service Projects

| Agency Name | Project Description | Proposed Funding Allocation |
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| Ability Housing, Inc. | Wayne Densch Center: Permanent Supportive Housing Program – case management services for homeless persons and individuals at risk of homelessness to help them remain stably housed | \$45,000.00 |
| Aspire Health Partners, Inc. | Women & Children's Residential Program – comprehensive substance abuse treatment & behavioral health care services for pregnant and postpartum homeless and low-income women and their children | \$60,000.00 |
| Boys & Girls Clubs of Central Florida, Inc. | MAGIC of Literacy at Levy-Hughes & Bradley-Otis Boys & Girls Clubs – afterschool and tutoring programs for children from low-income and homeless families | \$50,000.00 |
| Catholic Charities of Central Florida, Inc. | Helping People Remain in Stable Housing – case management for the agency's Homelessness Prevention program | \$40,000.00 |
| Covenant House Florida Inc. | Street Outreach Services for Youth Experiencing Homelessness – housing instability case management and engagement in supportive services at the agency's Community Service Center | \$40,000.00 |
| Grand Avenue Economic Comm. Development Corp. | (Pathlight Home) Community Service Specialist – housing stability and wraparound services for previously homeless individuals | \$40,000.00 |
| Grand Avenue Economic Comm. Development Corp. (dba Pathways Drop-In Center) | Pathways Drop-In Center Case Manager – wraparound services at the facility for mentally ill and homeless individuals | \$44,543.00 |
| Harbor House of Central Florida, Inc. | Children's Services Program – childcare & case management for children residing at the domestic violence shelter | \$45,000.00 |
| Health Care Center for the Homeless, Inc. | Mental Health and Substance Use Disorder Services – individual outpatient counseling and medication management services for homeless and low-income individuals | \$60,000.00 |
| IDignity, Inc. | IDignity Identification Services – legal identification services for homeless and precariously housed/low-income individuals | \$45,000.00 |
| IMPOWER, Inc. | The Village Transitional Housing & Homelessness Prevention Program – supportive services for youth (18-24) with foster care history who are unstably housed and/or at risk of becoming homeless | \$42,000.00 |

| Agency Name | Project Description | Proposed Funding Allocation |
|-------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| Jewish Family Services of Greater Orlando, Inc. | Family Stabilization Program (FSP) – crisis intervention, comprehensive case management, and financial counseling for at-risk individuals and families to help them gain self-sufficiency | \$58,000.00 |
| Life Concepts, Inc. (dba Quest, Inc.) | Living with Stability and Independence for Adults with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities (IDD) – self-sufficiency services for persons w/disabilities | \$60,000.00 |
| Primrose Center, Inc. | Supported Employment Services Program – employment training and placement for adults with severe intellectual and developmental disabilities to enable them to live a more independent life | \$60,000.00 |
| SALT Outreach, Inc. | Mobile Drop-in Center for Unsheltered – provision of case management & outreach services for homeless persons to help them transition into shelters or permanent housing | \$45,000.00 |
| Seniors First, Inc. | Meals on Wheels Program – meal delivery service, to include nutrition education and case management services for homebound, frail elderly persons | \$155,000.00 |
| Shepherd’s Hope, Inc. | Expanding Access to Intervention Healthcare and Wraparound Services – to assist uninsured low-moderate income persons and prevent hospitalization/use of hospital ERs | \$50,000.00 |
| Total CDBG Public Services | | \$939,543.00 |

Reprogrammed CDBG Funds (prior to 2024)

| Agency Name | Project Description | Proposed Funding Allocation |
|-----------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <i>Construction of Public Facilities</i> | | |
| Coalition for the Homeless of Central Florida, Inc. | Center for Women and Children – construction of a new emergency shelter for homeless persons on the agency's Downtown campus (Phase I). Costs to cover general construction activities associated with site improvements and infrastructure. | \$975,908.00, for a total of \$2,000,000.00 (including \$1,024,092.00 in FY 24-25 funds) |
| <i>Rental Housing Rehabilitation</i> | | |
| Orlando Neighborhood Improvement Corporation | Maitland Oaks Apartment – rehabilitation of affordable rental housing (100 units), to include replacement of windows, sliding doors, unit entry doors, etc. | \$614,852.00 |
| Total Reprogrammed CDBG Funds | | \$1,590,760.00 |

ESG Homeless Service Activities

| Activity Name or Agency Name | Project Description | Proposed Funding |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------|
| SHELTER OPERATIONS | | |
| Coalition for the Homeless of Central Florida, Inc. | Shelter Operations for Homeless Individuals and Families – to cover essential costs of shelter operations at two facilities servicing the homeless population, Men’s Service Center and Center for Women and Families | \$133,000.00 |
| Family Promise of Greater Orlando, Inc. | Interfaith Hospitality Network (IHN) Shelter Program – to cover the cost of case management and a portion of the operational expenses at the shelter facility for homeless families | \$53,000.00 |
| Harbor House of Central Florida, Inc. | Emergency Domestic Violence Shelter – to assist with operating costs of the shelter facility for victims of domestic abuse and their children | \$83,000.00 |
| The Salvation Army | Shelter Operations – to cover operational expenses for an emergency shelter program at two facilities, Men’s Shelter and Women and Children’s Shelter | \$73,000.00 |
| Total Shelter Operations | | \$342,000.00 |
| STREET OUTREACH | | |
| Covenant House Florida, Inc. | Street Outreach Services for Youth Experiencing Homelessness in Orange County (ages 18-20). Funding will be used to cover personnel expenses and transportation costs. | \$45,500.00 |
| Total Street Outreach | | \$45,500.00 |
| HOMELESSNESS PREVENTION SERVICES | | |
| Christian Service Center of Central Florida, Inc. | Family & Emergency Services (Homelessness Prevention Program) – funding to cover personnel and program activities expenditures (rental and financial assistance) | \$98,362.00 |
| Family Promise of Greater Orlando, Inc. | “Hand Up” Homelessness Prevention Program – comprehensive services for individuals and families who are at risk of becoming homeless | \$100,000.00 |
| Total Homelessness Prevention Services | | \$198,362.00 |
| HOMELESS MANAGEMENT INFORMATION SYSTEM (HMIS) | | |
| Homeless Services Network of Central Florida, Inc. | Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) Support: data collection and administration | \$20,000.00 |
| Total HMIS | | \$20,000.00 |
| Total ESG Projects (does not include \$40,126 in Admin costs) | | \$605,862.00 |

2024-2025 ANNUAL



ACTION PLAN



HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIVISION

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

AP-05 Executive Summary - 24 CFR 91.200(c), 91.220(b)

1. Introduction

Orange County's Action Plan is the annual operating plan of the County's Consolidated Plan designed to identify specific activities that Orange County intends to pursue. The Action Plan represents an official application to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for the following federal entitlement programs: Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME), and the Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG). The 2024-2025 Action Plan will continue to address priorities identified in the 2022-2026 Consolidated Plan, and it is effective starting October 1, 2024, through September 30, 2025.

Orange County anticipates receiving approximately \$10,581,927.10 to pursue community development and housing activities as follows:

- Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) – \$7,338,797.00
- HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME) – \$2,597,142.10
- Emergency Solutions Grants (ESG) – \$645,988.00

The three federal programs that are part of the 2024-2025 Action Plan are intended to satisfy a variety of community development and housing needs in Orange County. The CDBG program is utilized for capital improvement projects, affordable housing, public service activities, and grant administration (to include fair housing activities). Under the CDBG funding allocation, the amount spent on public service activities is limited to 15 percent, while administration costs are limited to 20 percent of the total allocation.

Under the HOME program, the activities to be implemented include homeowner and rental housing rehabilitation, tenant based rental assistance (TBRA), housing activities implemented in partnership with Community Housing Development Organizations (CHDOs), and program administration. The HOME program may also be used for new housing construction activities. Administration costs for the HOME Investment Partnerships Program are limited to 10 percent of the total allocation, while the amount spent on CHDO activities is a minimum of 15 percent of the annual allocation.

CDBG and HOME grants are designed to assist very low, and low- to moderate-income persons (income up to 80 percent of the area's median income). The County, however, designates its allocated funding under these grants primarily to local programs and activities that typically target low-income persons (income up to 50% of the area's median income).

ESG program funds will be used to assist with emergency shelter operations (including operational expenses and essential services), street outreach, and homeless prevention (including financial assistance and stabilization services) for households at risk of homelessness. Additionally, ESG funds will be used to conduct collection of data on the homeless individuals served with ESG funds, and to support management of the Homeless Management Information System (HMIS). Under the ESG funding allocation, the combined

amount spent on shelter operations and street outreach is limited to 60 percent of the total allocation, while administrative costs are capped at 7.5 percent.

Orange County's Action Plan explains how federal funds are leveraged and provides information on planned activities, their allocated funding for the grant year, and how these activities will help the County meet Consolidated Plan goals. The 2024-2025 Action Plan is leveraged by other federal and local programs, such as the State Housing Initiatives Partnership (SHIP) Program and local general revenue funds targeted for homelessness and housing activities.

The other major components of the Action Plan include consultation and plan participation process; identification of annual goals and objectives; projects and activities to be implemented with formula grant funding; activities planned to meet priority needs established by the County; activities related to addressing affordable housing needs; homeless and other special needs activities that will be implemented; and other actions.

This Action Plan also includes required certifications, public comments, and program-specific requirements.

2. Summarize the objectives and outcomes identified in the Plan

Orange County's 2022-2026 Five-Year Consolidated Plan, of which this Annual Action Plan is a part, is centered around these three goals:

- Transform low to moderate-income communities into resilient communities.
- Expand and preserve housing affordability, safety, and stability for low to moderate-income households and vulnerable populations.
- Work in collaboration with local government agencies, nonprofit organizations, and industry partners to eradicate and prevent homelessness.

The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) requires each of the proposed projects and activities contained in this plan to be linked to a specific outcome, objective, and a performance indicator. HUD has established a performance measurement system for formula grant programs to evaluate Orange County's performance under each project and activity through the specific outcomes that have been established in the Action Plan. Additionally, Orange County utilizes the Integrated Disbursement and Information System (IDIS), a real-time web-based application that provides tracking and reporting on all grant activities. IDIS provides timely performance information regarding goals and outcomes.

3. Evaluation of past performance

Orange County is required to assess its performance each fiscal year as part of the Consolidated Annual Performance Evaluation Report (CAPER). The CAPER is the reporting tool that HUD utilizes to monitor and assess performance relating to each Action Plan under the Five-Year Consolidated Plan. Orange County submits the CAPER to HUD for review by December 30th of each year.

The CAPER summarizes accomplishments and outcomes for all activities implemented in the previous program year, as well as the efforts to ensure that the activities were consistent with the program regulations and federal requirements. Orange County received a CDBG allocation of \$7,278,950 for the fiscal year 2022-2023, of which \$1,250,000 was allocated for capital improvement projects, \$3,556,444 to housing projects, \$1,016,716 to public services, with the remainder of the funds allocated to general

administration of the grant and fair housing activities. CDBG expenditures in FY 2022-2023 totaled \$11,077,263, including expenditures reprogrammed from previous years' projects. Apart from General Administration, one hundred percent (100%) of the activities implemented and funded from the CDBG program benefited persons who were low- to moderate-income individuals and families.

Public services funded under CDBG included services for homeless individuals, victims of domestic violence and their families, subsidized childcare for working low-income families, mental health and substance abuse services for homeless and low-income persons, case management for low-income families going through a financial crisis, employment training and placement services for individuals with disabilities, and meal delivery service for low-income seniors with disabilities. Overall, approximately 2,313 low to moderate-income and homeless individuals were assisted with CDBG public services in FY 2022-2023.

Housing activities funded under CDBG included housing rehabilitation services, rental housing rehabilitation, and housing administration. The total funding allocated for CDBG housing activities in FY 2022-2023 was \$3,556,444. In addition to CDBG-funded activities, housing rehabilitation staff also oversee homeowners' rehabilitation activities paid for by other funding sources, including those funded under HOME, State Housing Initiatives Partnership (SHIP) Program, Local Affordable Housing Trust Fund and Tangelo Park CRA programs. In the 2022-2023 fiscal year, the County spent a total of \$4,750,086.98 from various funding sources (including CDBG and SHIP funds) to provide minor and major home repairs to seventy-nine (79) qualified homeowners (to include relocation allowance). Additionally, although not funded in the FY 2022-2023 Action Plan, a total of \$5,455.76 in prior year's funds was spent on the Lead Based Paint Hazard Program, which includes such activities as testing and abatement. More specifically, sixteen (16) homes constructed before 1978 were tested for lead-based paint, and approximately over \$30,000 was spent in lead abatement (6 completed) as part of the housing rehabilitation costs.

There were two rental housing rehabilitation projects approved in FY 2022-2023 Action Plan, but both are still on-going. One housing project funded with prior year's funds (Catholic Charities of Central Florida, Inc./Monsignor Bishop Manor Phase III rehab) was completed. Furthermore, Orange County awarded a total of \$578,700 to Habitat for Humanity of Greater Orlando and Osceola County, Inc. for a Roof Replacement Program to replace deteriorating roofs on homes owned by very low- and low-income households. A total of 32 homes were serviced by the program during the reporting period.

Finally, one capital improvement project funded with prior year's CDBG funds was completed in 2022-2023 program year. The city of Winter Park was awarded \$125,000 in FY 2021-2022 CDBG funds for a Denning Drive Digital Inclusion Project. The project consisted of infrastructure improvements aimed at providing free Wi-Fi in a low-moderate income area near Martin Luther King Jr. park.

Orange County received \$3,145,072 in HOME funds for the fiscal year 2022-2023. The HOME program requires a 25% match of the total grant amount minus administration, or a minimum of \$786,268. The State SHIP funds are generally used to provide the required match for the HOME program. Activities funded under HOME in FY 2022-2023 totaled \$1,366,988, to include funding from previous years. HOME funds were primarily used for the tenant based rental assistance (TBRA) program. Under the TBRA program, rental subsidies were provided to 193 seniors and/or persons with disabilities, to include one formally homeless individual. No HOME funds were expended in FY 2022-2023 on homeowner rehabilitation and/or rental housing rehabilitation.

The HOME program requires that jurisdictions commit a minimum of 15% of their HOME funds to projects conducted in collaboration with Community Housing Development Organizations (CHDOs). Jurisdictions

have up to 24 months to commit funds to CHDO projects. The County has previously partnered with Central Florida HANDS, a certified CHDO, to construct an affordable home on a county-owned lot with FY 2017 HOME funds. The construction and project completion deadline were extended to November of 2022. Another extension was requested in 2022 due to unforeseen delays associated with the pandemic; however, the project was never completed. Orange County did not award new funds to CHDO projects in FY 2022-2023 but plans to increase its CHDO activity.

In FY 2022-2023, the Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) provided \$638,241 in funding for activities that included homeless emergency shelter operations (including shelter for victims of domestic violence and their children), homelessness prevention, rapid rehousing, and stabilization services. The ESG program serves homeless individuals and families or those at risk of becoming homeless with incomes up to 30% of the Area's Median Income (AMI). It should be noted that, under the ESG program, income eligibility is based on the HUD income limits in effect at the time of income verification.

Shelter operation activities funded under the ESG program include essential services for homeless individuals and families. The shelter operation activity was funded in the amount of \$382,900, just under sixty percent (60%) of the total ESG allocation for FY 2022-2023, with services being implemented by the following agencies: Coalition for the Homeless of Central Florida, Inc., Covenant House Florida, Inc., Family Promise of Greater Orlando, Inc., Harbor House of Central Florida, Inc. (shelter for victims of domestic violence and their children), and The Salvation Army. A total of 2,128 homeless individuals, including adults and children, were assisted with shelter and related services over the fiscal year.

Family Promise of Greater Orlando, Inc., was also awarded \$80,000 in ESG funds to implement the homelessness prevention program. During the fiscal year, the agency assisted forty-two (42) households (135 individuals) with homelessness prevention services, to include short- and medium-term rental assistance and stabilization, financial assistance, as well as housing stability case management.

In FY 2022-2023, the County used \$70,000 in general revenue funds for 9 units of bridge housing located on the Coalition for the Homeless of Central Florida, Inc.'s campus. Orange County also provided \$564,168 in funding to Grand Avenue Economic Community Development Corp. for 40 permanent supportive housing units at the Maxwell Terrace complex, \$865,050 in funding to Aspire Health Partners, Inc. for 30 units of transitional housing, and \$2,078,000 in funding to Homeless Services Network of Central Florida, Inc. to annually offer permanent supportive housing for 260 households.

The County remains one of the largest funders of homeless services in the region. Besides funding bridge housing, transitional housing, and permanent supportive housing units, the County allocates \$1.55M in general revenue funds annually for rapid re-housing of homeless families (114 households served annually), and \$872,000 for the homelessness Diversion Program implemented by the Coalition for the Homeless of Central Florida, Inc. which serves over 1,000 individuals annually. Additionally, the County contributes \$160,000 annually to cover operational expenses at the Samaritan Resource Center, a daily drop-in center for homeless individuals located in East Orange County.

The County also continues to fund the rapid re-housing program implemented by Coalition for the Homeless of Central Florida, Inc. The agency's contract was recently renewed for another two years, with \$1,000,000 in SHIP dollars allocated. In FY 2022-2023, a total of 85 households received assistance through the program.

Other federal programs administered by the Orange County Housing and Community Development Division include two awards under the Neighborhood Stabilization Program (NSP-1 and NSP-3), the Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher Program, Mainstream Voucher Program, Emergency Rental Assistance Vouchers Program, the Shelter Plus Care (SPC) Program, additional COVID-19 rental assistance funds, and several programs addressing affordable housing needs. Furthermore, Orange County was awarded \$10,554,916 in HOME funds under the American Rescue Plan (HOME-ARP) to address additional needs for homelessness assistance and supportive services that emerged as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic. Combined, these programs aid in addressing housing priorities identified in the Consolidated Plan, as well as housing needs associated with the COVID-19 pandemic.

Orange County's Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher Program administers rental housing subsidies for low-income households. In FY 2022-2023, rental subsidies were provided to approximately 1,282 households, with an additional 643 out-of-state vouchers serviced during this fiscal year, for a total of 1,925 vouchers serviced. Additionally, sixty-five (65) veterans received subsidies under the Veterans Administration Supportive Housing (VASH) program. Orange County, through a partnership with a local CoC, also administers the Shelter Plus Care (SPC) program that provides rental subsidies to chronically homeless individuals with disabilities. A total of sixty-four (64) clients were assisted in FY 2022-2023 under this program.

The County has recently received funds as part of the Mainstream Voucher Program. The mainstream housing vouchers are targeted for non-elderly, head, or co-head of households with disabilities who are at risk of homelessness or were previously homeless. All sixty-four (64) vouchers allocated to the county have been leased to date.

Finally, the County also recently received sixty-six (66) emergency rental assistance vouchers for homeless households. All vouchers have been utilized to date by eligible individuals, including homeless youth ages 18-24, and persons fleeing domestic violence and human trafficking.

Orange County was awarded \$10,554,916 in HOME funds under the American Rescue Plan (HOME-ARP) to address additional needs for homelessness assistance and supportive services that emerged as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic. The HOME-ARP Allocation Plan was adopted as an amendment to the 2021-2022 Annual Action Plan and approved by HUD in April of 2023. The Allocation Plan budgeted \$1,000,000 for supportive services, \$5,000,000 for Tenant-Based Rental Assistance (TBRA), and \$3,000,000 for development of affordable housing to serve qualifying population groups.

Since 2020, Orange County has received a total of \$12,303,808 in CDBG-CV (CDBG-CV1 and CDBG-CV3) and \$7,040,661 in ESG-CV (ESG-CV1 and ESG-CV2) funds for COVID-19 related projects and activities. The County processed several amendments to the FY 2019-2020 One-Year Action Plan to incorporate the funds and allocate them to activities aimed at preparing for, preventing, and responding to the COVID-19 pandemic. Accomplishments for activities implemented with ESG-CV1 and CDBG-CV1 dollars were reported in the FY 2020-2021 and FY 2021-2022 CAPER documents.

To date, the County has expended most of the ESG-CV funds awarded (program drawdown deadline was 4/30/2024, as well as the majority of CDBG-CV funds (over 80%), with several capital projects still underway. The majority of CDBG-CV funded public services ended during FY 2021-2022.

The CAPER also reports on state and local contributions to affordable housing in Orange County. The most important local revenue source is the SHIP program that is utilized as a HOME Program match and used for

housing rehabilitation, affordable rental housing development, housing counseling and affordable homeownership activities. In FY 2022-2023, the SHIP program provided down payment assistance to 231 households. A total of \$7,635,007.96 was provided to qualified households to purchase homes in FY 2022-2023. Orange County utilized two non-profit credit counseling agencies, Housing and Neighborhood Development Services (HANDS) of Central Florida and Housing and Education Alliance, to provide pre-purchase counseling and homebuyer education through the SHIP program to approximately 1,343 individuals.

With regard to locally funded affordable housing projects and activities, Orange County Housing and Community Development Division has moved forward on several initiatives related to the Affordable Housing Trust Fund. One of the funded programs in the Impact Fee Subsidy Program funded through SHIP, which provides impact fee subsidies on certified affordable housing units: single-family/ owner-occupied and rental units – to incentivize construction of affordable housing. There were eleven (11) impact subsidies totaling \$103,395 in SHIP funds provided for construction of owner-occupied single-family homes. Additionally, The County conveyed twenty-seven (27) properties through its Surplus Lot Program, to six non-profit agencies that will construct up to thirty-seven (37) new, affordable “starter homes”. To date, eight (8) homes have been completed (seven (7) in FY 2022-2023, and one (1) in October of 2023); one (1) under construction, and fourteen (14) properties undergoing the development process.

During FY 2022-2023, the County vetted additional surplus properties for their suitability for affordable housing. As a result, the Board of County Commissioners issued a resolution in December of 2022 providing another twenty (20) properties for this affordable housing construction program. Five (5) additional properties were added to the list in October of 2023 as a result of the Live Local Act requirements. The second Request for Applications for this program went out to nonprofit partners in March of 2024. All income-eligible homebuyers of these homes can also qualify for down payment assistance through Orange County’s SHIP program.

To incentivize affordable homeownership opportunities, Orange County provided a total of \$1,500,000 to the Hannibal Square Community Land Trust for the construction of the Cornerstone on Sixth, a twenty-four (24)-unit affordable townhome community in Apopka. This funding came from the Housing Trust Fund (\$750,000) and program income from the Hurricane Housing Recovery Program (\$750,000). The project is currently under construction, with an anticipated completion date of late 2024.

Overall, Orange County’s record indicates that the County is on track in meeting and exceeding the goals of its Five-Year Consolidated Plan for housing and community development activities. Tracking and evaluation of Orange County’s performance is an ongoing process that involves reviewing progress and performance reports through the Integrated Data Information System (IDIS), and ongoing monitoring of programs and services. Strong internal controls also contribute to executing programs that comply with the Housing and Community Development Act and other applicable laws and regulations.

More details about activities and past performance can be obtained from Orange County’s 2022-2026 Consolidated Plan and the 2022-2023 CAPER by visiting the County’s website at:

<http://www.ocfl.net/NeighborsHousing/CommunityDevelopment.aspx>.

4. Summary of citizen participation process and consultation process

To encourage public participation in community development activities throughout the County, and in keeping with HUD requirements, Orange County established a Citizen Participation Plan, the latest version of which was adopted in late 2023 (as part of CDBG-Disaster Recovery amendments to the plan). The County utilizes a designated process based on this plan to determine community development needs and identify activities that can address these needs through federally funded housing and community development programs.

The process for the 2024-2025 Action Plan included input from the Community Development Advisory Board, a Request for Applications (RFA) process for potential projects, two (2) technical assistance workshops, two (2) public notices, and a public comment period from June 12, 2024, to July 12, 2024. Additionally, a public hearing to obtain comments on the proposed 2024-2025 Action Plan was held on June 19, 2024.

5. Summary of public comments

The County held a 30-day comment period from June 12, 2024, to July 12, 2024, and invited members of the public to attend a public hearing before the Community Development Advisory Board on June 19, 2024, to receive input from residents and stakeholders on the draft Annual Action Plan prior to approval by the Board of County Commissioners and submission to HUD. Comments received during the public comment period are summarized in Appendix B.

6. Summary of comments or views not accepted and the reasons for not accepting them

All citizen comments received have been accepted by the County and are incorporated into the final plan documents in accordance with 24 CFR Part 91.

7. Summary

During the development of the 2022-2026 Consolidated Plan, a set of priority needs were identified. These priorities include housing affordability and condition, capital improvements, public services, homeless services, and program administration. This Annual Action Plan outlines an array of financial resources expected to be available to address these priorities over the 2024-2025 program year and contains goals, measurable objectives, and implementation actions for each of the plan's elements.

THE PROCESS

PR-05 Lead & Responsible Agencies 24 CFR 91.200(b)

1. Agency/entity responsible for preparing/administering the Consolidated Plan

The following are the agencies/entities responsible for preparing the Consolidated Plan and those responsible for administration of each grant program and funding source.

Table 1 – Responsible Agencies

| Agency Role | Name | Department/Agency |
|--------------------|---------------|----------------------------------------|
| CDBG Administrator | Orange County | PEDS/Housing and Community Development |
| HOME Administrator | Orange County | PEDS/Housing and Community Development |
| ESG Administrator | Orange County | PEDS/Housing and Community Development |

Narrative

The Orange County Housing and Community Development Division, which is part of the Planning, Environmental, and Development Services Department (PEDS), serves as the lead agency responsible for administering the programs and activities outlined in the 2022-2026 Consolidated Plan and the 2024-2025 Action Plan.

Orange County completed an Urban County re-qualification process in 2023. As a result, the County currently has Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) interlocal agreements with the following municipalities for the PYs 2024-2026: cities of Maitland, Ocoee, Winter Garden and Winter Park, and towns of Eatonville, Oakland and Windermere.

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PR-10 Consultation – 91.100, 91.200(b), 91.215(l)

1. Introduction

Orange County consulted with various public and private entities when developing the 2024-2025 Annual Action Plan. To ensure success of its community revitalization efforts and quality of services provided in the community, the County routinely solicits input from community organizations, non-profit agencies and service organizations, housing authorities, other jurisdictions, and various entities within the region. The Housing and Community Development Division staff work closely with other Orange County Departments and Divisions, this includes but not limited to, the Planning Division, Neighborhood Services Division, and the Department of Community and Family Services of Orange County (Mental Health and Homelessness and Community Action Divisions), to ensure services for low-income and homeless individuals are provided in a consistent and efficient manner.

In relation to these collaborative efforts, the County regularly holds focus groups, one-on-one meetings, and other outreach engagements with numerous nonprofit and service organizations, fair housing advocates, affordable housing providers for all HUD-related programs and funding activities. Additionally, the Housing and Community Development Divisions staff joined other divisions to participate in the Vision 2050 Comprehensive Plan townhall meetings and workshops held with community members and citizens in all six (6) Orange County districts. The following section provides a summary of the consultation process, including identification of the agencies that participated in the process. Orange County's efforts to enhance coordination between public and private agencies are specified below.

Provide a concise summary of the jurisdiction's activities to enhance coordination between public and assisted housing providers and private and governmental health, mental health and service agencies (91.215(l)).

To sustain the strong relationships between public agencies and non-profit organizations, the County regularly enters into partnerships with local agencies to fund activities that advance the goals and objectives of the 2022-2026 Consolidated Plan and address the issues of affordable housing, quality of life and homelessness. More specifically, Orange County coordinates with a variety of agencies to provide affordable and supportive housing and services to homeless persons, children, and special needs populations, including elderly/frail elderly, persons with mental and/or physical disabilities, persons in need of mental health and substance abuse services, and victims of domestic violence.

The County also coordinates with the Orlando Housing Authority and Winter Park Housing Authority on provision of public housing to very low, low, and moderate-income persons, especially the elderly and persons with disabilities. Both agencies have provided input and information for FY 2024-2025 Action Plan. Additionally, the County collaborates with agencies that provide permanent supportive housing to persons with disabilities (i.e., Primrose Center, Inc. and Life Concepts, Inc.) as well as with other non-profit agencies whose mission is to develop affordable housing. Many of these agencies participated in this year's Request for Applications (RFA) process, during which projects were selected for funding as part of the FY 2024-2025 Action Plan. Some projects were selected to be funded with state and local resources, while others were awarded CDBG and/or ESG funds.

The services for persons with HIV/AIDS are coordinated between the City of Orlando, Orange County's Ryan White Care Act Office and HIV Health Services Planning Council. All three agencies work together to find mechanisms to incorporate HOPWA services with Ryan White benefits to provide housing and support to persons with HIV/AIDS and their families.

Since 2016, the County has been closely collaborating with neighboring jurisdictions to address the affordable housing crisis in the region. In 2019, Orange County adopted a Housing for All 10-Year Action Plan, and the following year a Local Affordable Housing Trust Fund Plan was adopted to facilitate production and preservation of affordable housing units. With just over \$64.2M allocated before 2024, with an additional \$16.1M allocated in 2024-2025 program year (to include estimated program income), the Trust Fund dollars can be leveraged with federal and state dollars to provide increased affordable housing options that benefit low to moderate-income households in Orange County. Strategies for expending Trust Fund dollars are outlined in the Local Affordable Housing Trust Fund Plan, and the County continues to collaborate with its neighbors, particularly the City of Orlando, to address the affordable housing issues in the area.

Describe coordination with the Continuum of Care and efforts to address the needs of homeless persons (particularly chronically homeless individuals and families, families with children, veterans, and unaccompanied youth) and persons at risk of homelessness.

The Orange County Housing and Community Development Division works in conjunction with the Homeless Services Network of Central Florida, Inc. (HSN), the lead agency for the local Continuum of Care (CoC), also known as the Central Florida Commission on Homelessness (CFCH), which encompasses the geographic area of Orange, Osceola, and Seminole Counties. HSN performs coordination, planning, and administrative functions for CFCH partner agencies dedicated to providing direct crisis, recovery, and housing services. Its primary functions are to assist CFCH stakeholders in community-wide planning towards the goal of ending homelessness, maintain a Coordinated Entry System (CES), prioritize services to those most in need, operate a Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) to serve clients, provide data to enhance intervention performance, develop a housing pipeline and sustain tenancy for chronically homeless individuals, and maximize the development and utilization of financial resources. Orange County staff continues to be involved in CFCH activities and initiatives by participating in monthly membership meetings and taking part in several subcommittees. Additionally, County staff often participates in the review of agency applications for NOFA related projects and assists with the regional Point-In-Time Count. HSN's staff participate in the review of applications for the County's ESG dollars.

It should be noted that Orange County remains one of the largest funders of homeless services in the region. Besides funding bridge housing, transitional housing, and permanent supportive housing units, the County annually allocates general revenue dollars for rapid re-housing activities, provides support for the Diversion Program offered by the Coalition for the Homeless of Central Florida, and funds operational expenditures associated with the Samaritan Resource Center (drop-in center for the homeless located in East Orange County).

In FY 2024-2025, in addition to ESG funds, Orange County will allocate a total of \$127,000 in CDBG funds for services for homeless individuals and families as part of the CDBG public services. The County will also continue to use SHIP dollars for a rapid re-housing program administered by the Coalition for the Homeless of Central Florida. Additionally, Orange County will provide 259 households who are homeless or were previously homeless with rental subsidies through the following programs: HUD-VASH (65), Shelter Plus Care (64), Mainstream Vouchers program (64) and Emergency Housing Vouchers (66). Supplementary to the above programs and funds, the County allocated \$1.4M in HOME funds for FY 2024-2025 to the Tenant-Based Rental Assistance (TBRA) program that will assist an

estimated 200 very low- and low-income senior and/or disabled households. The County will also offer TBRA under the HOME-ARP program, through referral and partnerships from community partners.

Finally, Orange County serves chronically homeless adults, veterans and vulnerable families and children through a variety of commissions and programs, including the following: Families, Health and Social Services programs; Domestic Violence and Child Abuse Commission; Youth Mental Health Commission; the Belvin Perry Jr. Central Receiving Center (CRC), and the Prescription Drug Task Force.

Describe consultation with the Continuum(s) of Care that serves the jurisdiction's area in determining how to allocate ESG funds, develop performance standards for and evaluate outcomes of projects and activities assisted by ESG funds, and develop funding, policies and procedures for the operation and administration of HMIS.

Orange County advertised its Request for Applications (RFA) for the CDBG public services and ESG homeless services funding on February 29, 2024 (Spanish) and March 3, 2024 (English). The County asked the CoC's lead agency, the Homeless Services Network of Central Florida, Inc. (HSN), to participate in the review and evaluation of homeless project proposals to be funded under the ESG program. In the past, Orange County has also annually provided funding to HSN to support administration of HMIS, training and technical support for ESG-funding agencies, and provision of data and research for the County's Consolidated Annual Performance Evaluation Report (CAPER). The County is currently funding HSN for HMIS administration; additionally, HSN was funded with ESG-CV dollars for rapid re-housing and non-congregational shelter activities, and for the HMIS activities.

Orange County continues to focus on effectively using the Housing First approach to quickly stabilize and rapidly re-house homeless individuals and families. The County supports the CFCH's efforts to enhance the system support by improving the data quality in HMIS and expanding the use of the Coordinated Entry System (CES) among providers of homeless services in the Central Florida region. All ESG-funded agencies are required to use HMIS (or a compatible database for DV providers) to submit monthly and annual reports as part of invoicing, and to use CES for program referrals, when an established process is in place.

Additionally, Orange County, through its participation in the CFHC subcommittee meetings, has an opportunity to comment on program policies and procedures that aim to ensure consistency in the delivery of services for homeless individuals and families among the agencies within the Continuum.

Finally, it should be noted that HSN staff has been instrumental in assisting Orange County with meeting ESG-CV quarterly reporting requirements by uploading the required data into the SAGE data repository in a timely manner.

2. Describe Agencies, groups, organizations, and others who participated in the process and describe the jurisdiction's consultations with housing, social service agencies, and other entities

Table 2 – Agencies, groups, organizations who participated

| Agency/Groups/ Organization Name | Type | Section of Plan Addressed | Consultation Method |
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| 1 Orange County | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Other government – County • Services – Housing • Services – Children • Services – Elderly Persons • Services – Persons with Disabilities • Services – Persons with HIV/AIDS • Services – Victims of Domestic Violence • Services – Homeless • Services – Education • Services – Employment • Services – Fair Housing • Services – Victims • Planning Organization • Grantee Department | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Housing Need Assessment • Public Housing Needs • Homeless Needs - Chronically Homeless • Homeless Needs - Families with Children • Homeless Needs - Veterans • Homeless Needs - Unaccompanied Youth • Homeless Needs - Chronically Homeless • Non-Homelessness Strategy • Homelessness Strategy • Housing Need Assessment • Market Analysis • Economic Development • Lead-based Paint Strategy • Anti-poverty Strategy | <p>Orange County developed its FY 2024-2025 Action Plan in consultations with other jurisdictions, the County’s Departments and Divisions, the Community Development Advisory Board, the Affordable Housing Advisory Board, local non-profit agencies, and advocacy groups; participation in public meetings and community meetings; and data collection. Feedback obtained from these public and community stakeholders helped the County to select activities aimed at advancing goals and objectives of the 2022-2026 Consolidated Plan.</p> <p>The County has conducted additional outreach on the following issues: affordable housing and fair housing; public services and public health; economic development, infrastructure, and jobs; and homelessness. The input received helped Orange County identify projects and activities that best meet the current needs, while meeting the priorities of the adopted 2022-2026 Consolidated Plan.</p> |
| 2 City of Orlando | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Other government – County • Services – Housing • Services – Children • Services – Elderly Persons • Services – Persons with Disabilities • Services – Persons with HIV/AIDS • Services – Victims of Domestic Violence • Services – Homeless • Services – Fair Housing • Grantee Department | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Anti-poverty Strategy • Projects- Capital Improvements | <p>Staff from the Orange County Housing and Community Development Division continues to collaborate with the City of Orlando on affordable housing issues, including housing of homeless individuals and those at risk of becoming homeless. This collaboration is aimed at addressing the affordable housing need identified in the 2022-2026 Consolidated Plan. County staff has also met regularly with City of Orlando’s staff to discuss on-going projects that are funded by both agencies, as well as potential projects to be funded, to avoid duplication of services and allow for better coordination of efforts.</p> |
| 3 Orlando Housing Authority | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Housing • PHA • Services – Housing • Services – Fair Housing | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Housing Need Assessment • Public Housing Needs • Market Analysis | <p>The Orlando Housing Authority (OHA) was consulted on the sections of the FY 2024-2025 Action Plan related to public housing.</p> |
| 4 Winter Park Housing Authority | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Housing • PHA • Services – Housing • Services – Fair Housing | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Housing Need Assessment • Public Housing Needs • Market Analysis | <p>The Winter Park Housing Authority (WPHA) was consulted on the sections of the FY 2024-2025 Action Plan related to public housing.</p> |

| Agency/Groups/ Organization Name | Type | Section of Plan Addressed | Consultation Method |
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| 5 FL-507 Homeless Services Network of Central Florida | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Services - Housing • Services-homeless • Service-Fair Housing • Regional organization | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Homeless Needs - Chronically Homeless • Homeless Needs - Families with Children • Homelessness Needs – Veterans • Homelessness Needs - Youth | Orange County coordinates with the Homeless Services Network of Central Florida, Inc. (HSN), the lead agency for the CoC, in developing and implementing a comprehensive response to homeless issues in the region. |
| 6 Community Legal Services of Mid- Florida | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Services – Housing • Services – Victims of Domestic Violence • Services – Fair Housing • Regional organization | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Affordable Housing • Fair Housing • Anti-poverty Strategy | Orange County continues to partner with the Community Legal Services of Mid-Florida, Inc. on issues related to affirmatively furthering fair housing as well as legal housing issues, such as evictions, that became prevalent as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic. The agency investigates fair housing complaints received in Orange County, and hosts trainings and events. The agency assisted with giving comments and feedback on the County’s Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice document and participated in the County’s fair housing events during the month of April 2024. |

Identify any Agency Types not consulted and provide rationale for not consulting

Efforts were made to consult a wide variety of community stakeholders throughout Orange County. No agency types were excluded from outreach efforts.

Other local/regional/state/federal planning efforts considered when preparing the Plan

Table 3 – Other local / regional / federal planning efforts

| Name of Plan | Lead Organization | How do the goals of your Strategic Plan overlap with the goals of each plan? |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Housing For All 10-Year Action Plan | Housing For All Task Force | The Housing for All 10-Year Action Plan addresses housing affordability and supply, including specific action steps to removing regulatory barriers, creating new financial resources for housing, targeting areas of access and opportunity, and engaging the community and industry in the effort. These action steps significantly overlap the FY 24-25 Action Plan housing priorities and goals. |
| Affordable Housing Trust Fund Plan | Orange County Housing and Community Development Division | The Affordable Housing Trust Fund, a program resulting from implementation of Housing for All recommendations, was established by Orange County for the purpose of providing the financial resources and the leverage necessary to create and preserve affordable housing units. |
| Destination 2030 Comprehensive Plan | Orange County Community, Environmental, and Development Services | The Comprehensive Plan represents the adopted goals, objectives, and policies of the County with regard to land use. Included in the plan are long-term goals and strategies for such areas as housing, neighborhoods, recreation, and public infrastructure. Review of the County’s Plan established goals is helpful in programming CDBG and related funding toward identified needs. The Comprehensive Plan, to include housing and community development policies, is currently being updated as part of the Vision 2050 effort administered by the County. |
| Orange County Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice Plan | Orange County Housing and Community Development Division | The Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice Plan (AI) evaluated barriers to fair housing choice and developed recommendations to overcome these identified impediments. The AI aligns with the FY 24-25 Action Plans goals to promote fair housing choice for all persons, including protected classes under the Fair Housing Act. |
| Sustainable Operations and Resilience Action Plan | Orange County | The Action Plan outlines a strategy to achieve measurable goals within six focus areas such as water use, buildings and infrastructure, and energy. In incorporating resiliency as a priority, the Sustainable Operations and Resilience Action Plan helped generate discussion topics and themes for the public engagement process. |
| Central Florida Continuum of Care (CoC) Plan: Gaps, Opportunities and Challenges | Homeless Services Network of Central Florida | This plan reviews the goals of the Central Florida Continuum of Care, assesses, and prioritizes gaps in the service delivery system, and establishes a budget for programs and projects to overcome those gaps. The FY 24-25 Action Plan’s goal of eradicating and preventing homelessness is consistent and overlaps with these CoC goals. |

Narrative (optional)

In addition to the agencies listed above that consulted on the issues and strategies described in FY 2024-2025 Annual Action Plan, Orange County has had multiple opportunities to participate in discussions related to housing needs of the County's residents, as well as a variety of fair housing issues and their relation to affordable housing.

Orange County also cooperates in Florida's State Housing Initiatives Partnership (SHIP) Program, which provides funding for the County to produce and preserve affordable homeownership and rental housing. The State of Florida's SHIP funds supply a substantial source of revenue, in addition to Consolidated Plan resources, for qualified housing activities, and County staff are in regular contact and coordination with the State regarding this program. The County uses SHIP funds primarily to provide affordable housing, with a portion designated for a rapid re-housing program administered by Coalition for the Homeless of Central Florida, Inc. The County has recently received a special allocation of \$2,161,899 through the SHIP program to assist with disaster recovery efforts, specifically as they relate to affordable housing stock and damage caused by recent natural disasters. Several activities have been planned in 2024-2025 program year to help with disaster recovery efforts using SHIP disaster dollars.

In 2023, Orange County also received a special allocation of \$219M under the CDBG – Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR), to help address long-term impacts from Hurricane Ian. The County's CDBG-DR Action Plan, which had its own set of planning and public participation requirements, was drafted and submitted to HUD in January of 2024. The Plan was approved by HUD in March of 2024, and Orange County is currently in the process in beginning the implementation of several projects and programs, to include infrastructure and public facilities, planning studies, public services, etc. under the CDBG-DR program.

The City of Orlando is located within Orange County; however, it is a separate entitlement jurisdiction and independently manages its own Consolidated Plan and allocations of HUD funds. While a separate program from that of Orange County, County staff recognize the benefit of close coordination and meet regularly with City of Orlando staff to discuss housing and community development activities, both planned and underway, to ensure efficient delivery of services and avoid duplication of efforts. Staff also consult frequently with the Orlando Housing Authority and the Winter Park Housing Authority, both of whom were consulted and provided substantial input on the sections of the Annual Action Plan related to public housing.

AP-12 Participation – 91.105, 91.200(c)

1. Summary of citizen participation process/efforts made to broaden citizen participation

Summarize citizen participation process and how it impacted goal-setting

To encourage public participation in community development activities throughout the County, and in keeping with HUD requirements, Orange County established a Citizen Participation Plan, the latest version of which was adopted in late 2023 (as part of CDBG-DR amendments to the plan). The County utilizes a designated process based on this plan to determine community development needs and identify activities that can address these needs through federally funded housing and community development programs.

The process for the 2024-2025 Action Plan included input from the Community Development Advisory Board, a Request for Applications (RFA) process for potential projects, two (2) technical assistance workshops, two (2) public notices, and a public comment period from June 12, 2024, to July 12, 2024. Additionally, a public hearing to obtain comments on the proposed 2024-2025 Action Plan was held on June 19, 2024.

Public Notices, Public Hearings and Period of Availability

Orange County citizens have an opportunity to comment on the draft Action Plan prior to its approval by the Board of County Commissioners. A public notice to announce the proposed budget, availability of the draft Action Plan and stating the public comment period and date of the public hearing, is advertised in the local newspaper prior to the public comment period. Public Hearings are conducted by the Community Development Advisory Board (CDAB) during the course of its regular monthly meetings. Additionally, the draft Action Plan is available for a minimum period of 15 days to provide an opportunity for citizen input and clarifications on the Action Plan.

A public notice containing information about the proposed Action Plan budget, announcement of a public hearing, and dates for public review and comment period for the Action Plan was published in *La Prensa*, a Spanish newspaper of general circulation on Thursday, June 6, 2024, and also in the *Orlando Sentinel* (English) on Sunday, June 9, 2024. A public hearing was held on Wednesday, June 19, 2024. The public comment period ran from Wednesday, June 12, 2024, to Friday, July 12, 2024.

Any comments received during the public hearing or during the public comment period, as well as subsequent responses, are incorporated into the final document. A draft Action Plan was available for public review at the following locations: Orange County Housing and Community Development Division, 525 East South Street, Orlando, FL 32801; the Orange County Public Library, Planning and Local Government Section, 101 East Central Avenue, Orlando, FL 32801. The Housing and Community Development Division is committed to providing a written response within 15 working days to any written comments submitted.

Non-English Speaking and Handicapped Provisions

The Orange County Housing and Community Development Division has full-time bilingual staff available to assist non-English speakers. Orange County provides access to all interested non-English speaking individuals, and information in Spanish is included on the Division's public notices. Bilingual information and translators for non-English speaking persons are made available to residents that express a desire to participate in the process. Public

notices are also published in *La Prensa*, the Spanish newspaper of general circulation, which is available at no cost to the general public.

Orange County has developed collaborations and working relationships with numerous organizations serving persons with disabilities. Should physically disabled, blind, or speaking- or hearing-impaired persons express a desire to participate, appropriate measures are undertaken to accommodate those individuals. Additionally, the County has in place a Limited English Proficiency (LEP) Plan that identifies essential title documents that must be translated into various languages, in accordance with the U.S. Department of Justice regulations. The LEP Plan is reviewed on an annual basis.

Citizen Participation Outreach

Table 4 – Citizen Participation Outreach

| Sort Order | Mode of Outreach | Target of Outreach | Summary of response/ attendance | Summary of comments received | Summary of comments not accepted and reasons |
|------------|--------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1 | Newspaper Ad (February 29 and March 3, 2024) | Non-targeted/broad community Non-English Speaking (Spanish) | A public notice announcing the funding opportunities and making an initial announcement of the 2024-2025 Action Plan was published in English and Spanish | As a result of the publications fifty-six (56) applications for CDBG, HOME, HOME-ARP and/or ESG funding were submitted for review and consideration. | Applications recommended for funding were incorporated into the 2024-2025 Annual Action Plan |
| 2 | Public Meeting (March 14, 2024) | Non-targeted/broad community | Request for Applications (RFA) process for nonprofit agencies, Community organizations, County Divisions, and participating jurisdictions interested in submitting proposals to address the housing and community development needs in the community included two (2) technical assistance workshops held to assist applicants with the RFA process. Over 90 individuals were in attendance. | During the technical assistance workshops, potential applicants had an opportunity to ask questions and request clarifications about eligibility requirements and the application process. A total of fifty-six (56) applications for CDBG, HOME and/or ESG funding were submitted for review and consideration. | Applications recommended for funding were incorporated into the 2024-2025 Annual Action Plan. |
| 3 | Newspaper Ad (June 6 and 9, 2024) | Non-targeted/broad community Non-English Speaking (Spanish) | The second public notice was published in local newspapers of general circulation (La Prensa – Spanish; Orlando Sentinel – English) informing the public about the availability of the draft Action Plan document and listing recommended funding of activities for the Fiscal Year 2024-2025. | No comments were received. | No comments received on the draft document and proposed allocations were received during the comment period. |
| 4 | Internet Outreach | Non-targeted/broad community | Once the public notice was advertised, the draft plan was made available to the public through the internet on the Housing and Community Development Division website (https://www.ocfl.net/NeighborsHousing/CommunityDevelopment.aspx). Comments and suggestions are recorded and considered as additions and/or revisions to the plan. The comment period for this document was from June 12, 2024, through July 12, 2024. | No comments were received on the draft document during the public comment period. | No comments were received |
| 5 | Public Hearing (June 19, 2024) | Non-targeted/broad community | No members of the public were in attendance. | No comments were received on the draft Action Plan. | Not applicable. |
| 6 | Public Comment Period (June 12 to July 12, 2024) | Non-targeted/broad community | No comments were received. | Not applicable | Not applicable. |

EXPECTED RESOURCES

AP-15 Expected Resources – 91.220(c)(1,2)

Introduction

Orange County is eligible to receive funding from three CPD formula grants (CDBG, HOME, and ESG). Combined, the County will receive an anticipated \$10,581,927.10 in HUD grant funds for the 2024-2025 program year. With additional reprogrammed (prior to 2024) CDBG funds in the amount of \$1,519,760, Orange County's FY 2024-2025 Action Plan budget will total \$12,172,687.10. The County also administers additional federal, state, and local funds that extend or complement the activities funded by CDBG, HOME, and ESG. The table below outlines anticipated funding levels by program.

Anticipated Resources

Table 5 - Expected Resources – Priority Table

| Program | Source of Funds | Uses of Funds | Expected Amount Available Year 1 | | | | Expected Amount Available Remainder of ConPlan \$ | Narrative Description |
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| | | | Annual Allocation: \$ | Program Income: \$ | Prior Year Resources: \$ | Total: \$ | | |
| CDBG | Public – Federal | Acquisition Admin and Planning Economic Development Housing Public Improvements Public Services | \$7,338,797 | \$150,000 | \$10,174,501 | 17,663,298 | \$14,677,594 | Anticipated CDBG funding includes entitlement grant funds, program income, and prior year resources. The expected amount available for the remainder of the Con Plan is two times the 2024 annual allocation. |

| Program | Source of Funds | Uses of Funds | Expected Amount Available Year 1 | | | | Expected Amount Available Remainder of ConPlan \$ | Narrative Description |
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| | | | Annual Allocation: \$ | Program Income: \$ | Prior Year Resources: \$ | Total: \$ | | |
| HOME | Public - Federal | Acquisition Homeowner rehab Multifamily rental new construction Multifamily rental rehab New construction for ownership TBRA | \$2,597,142.10 | \$220,000 | \$12,818,812 | \$15,635,954.10 | \$5,194,284.20 | Anticipated HOME funding includes entitlement grant funds, program income, and prior year resources. The expected amount available for the remainder of the Con Plan is two times the 2024 annual allocation. |

| Program | Source of Funds | Uses of Funds | Expected Amount Available Year 1 | | | | Expected Amount Available Remainder of ConPlan \$ | Narrative Description |
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| | | | Annual Allocation: \$ | Program Income: \$ | Prior Year Resources: \$ | Total: \$ | | |
| ESG | Public Federal | Overnight shelter Rapid re-housing (rental assistance) Rental Assistance Services Street outreach | \$645,988 | N/A | \$400,450 | \$1,046,438 | \$1,291,976 | Anticipated ESG funding includes entitlement grant funds and prior year resources. The expected amount available for the remainder of the Con Plan is two times the 2024 annual allocation. |

| Program | Source of Funds | Uses of Funds | Expected Amount Available Year 1 | | | | Expected Amount Available Remainder of ConPlan \$ | Narrative Description |
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| | | | Annual Allocation: \$ | Program Income: \$ | Prior Year Resources: \$ | Total: \$ | | |
| General Fund | Public – Local | Acquisition Homebuyer assistance Homeowner rehab Housing Multifamily rental new construction Multifamily rental rehab New construction for ownership Rapid re-housing (rental assistance) | \$16,105,100 \$5,500,000 (homelessness) | \$3,005,000 | \$64,255,361 | \$83,365,461 | \$79,639,539 | Orange County's Affordable Housing Trust Fund is capitalized using annual contributions of general revenue dollars. Additionally, general revenue dollars administered by Mental Health and Homelessness Division) are spent on a variety of homeless activities. |

| Program | Source of Funds | Uses of Funds | Expected Amount Available Year 1 | | | | Expected Amount Available Remainder of ConPlan \$ | Narrative Description |
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| | | | Annual Allocation: \$ | Program Income: \$ | Prior Year Resources: \$ | Total: \$ | | |
| Section 8 | Public — Federal | Admin and Planning Rental Assistance Other | \$15,608,224 | \$42,332 | \$303,844 | \$15,954,400 | \$31,908,800 | The County's Section 8 program, combined with 65 HUD-VASH vouchers, provides rental assistance covering a total of 1,347 housing units. Additionally, the County staff administers approximately 643 out-of-state vouchers. |
| Shelter Plus Care | Public — Federal | Housing Rental Assistance | \$1,118,373 | N/A | N/A | \$1,118,373 | \$2,236,746 | On behalf of the Central Florida Continuum of Care, Orange County administers 64 S+C vouchers providing housing for chronically homeless individuals with disabilities. |

| Program | Source of Funds | Uses of Funds | Expected Amount Available Year 1 | | | | Expected Amount Available Remainder of ConPlan \$ | Narrative Description |
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| | | | Annual Allocation: \$ | Program Income: \$ | Prior Year Resources: \$ | Total: \$ | | |
| Other (Emergency Housing Vouchers) | Public – Federal | Rental Assistance | \$800,000 (Mainstream) | N/A | N/A | \$800,000 (Mainstream) | \$1,600,000 (Mainstream) | The County administers 64 Section 8 Mainstream vouchers targeted to non-elderly households with disabilities. The County also administers 66 Emergency housing Vouchers (EHV) for homeless households and persons fleeing domestic violence and human trafficking. |
| | | | \$850,000 (EHV) | \$5,000 | \$0 | \$855,000 (EHV) | \$1,700,000 (EHV) | |

| Program | Source of Funds | Uses of Funds | Expected Amount Available Year 1 | | | | Expected Amount Available Remainder of ConPlan \$ | Narrative Description |
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| | | | Annual Allocation: \$ | Program Income: \$ | Prior Year Resources: \$ | Total: \$ | | |
| Other (SHIP) | Public – State | Acquisition Admin and Planning Homebuyer assistance Homeowner rehab Housing Multifamily rental new construction Multifamily rental rehab New construction for ownership Rapid re-housing (rental assistance) Other | \$8,843,749 | \$2,000,000 | \$15,354,203 | \$26,197,952 | \$17,687,498 | Florida's State Housing Initiatives Partnership (SHIP) Program provides funding for the County to produce and preserve affordable homeownership and rental housing. The SHIP program provided downpayment assistance to 231 households, and pre-purchase counseling and homebuyer education was provided to approximately 1,343 individuals. |
| | | | \$2,161,534 (SHIP Disaster) | N/A | N/A | \$2,161,534 | \$0 | |

Explain how federal funds will leverage those additional resources (private, state and local funds), including a description of how matching requirements will be satisfied

The HOME program requires a twenty-five percent (25%) non-federal match of the total grant amount (minus administration costs) for eligible HOME activities. Orange County will continue to use State Housing Initiatives Partnership (SHIP) Program funds to provide the required match. Orange County expects to receive approximately \$8.8M in SHIP funds in the upcoming fiscal year.

The Emergency Solutions Grant regulations require a 100% match for every dollar of ESG funds allocated. ESG match requirements are met by counting non-federal funds and resources contributed by ESG-funded agencies toward programs and activities supported with the ESG funds. The County ensures the matching requirements for all ESG subrecipients are in order prior to the commitment of ESG funds and includes the match requirements as part of the project administration agreements Orange County enters into with all ESG-funded agencies. The sources of match and necessary backup documentation are reviewed as part of monthly reimbursement requests submitted by the agencies and further discussed during the annual on-site monitoring visits and technical assistance meetings (as needed). Newly funded agencies are made aware of the matching requirements during the post-award technical assistance sessions held by the Housing and Community Development Division staff. Administration funds utilized under ESG (up to 7.5% of the total allocation) will be matched by the County.

Housing affordability is a high-priority need in Orange County, and the County will continue to make use of significant opportunities to leverage other funding sources in order to meet the need. The State of Florida's SHIP funds supply a substantial source of revenue, in addition to Consolidated Plan resources, for qualified housing activities. The County uses SHIP funds primarily to provide affordable housing, with a portion designated for a pilot rapid re-housing program administered by Coalition for the Homeless of Central Florida, Inc. Additionally, the County's local Affordable Housing Trust Fund, which was established in 2020 as an outgrowth of the Housing for All 10-Year Action Plan, will be capitalized with an expected \$160 million over ten years from general revenue dollars. This funding will help advance the production and preservation of affordable housing units in Orange County, and it adds significant leverage and additional resources to the strategies identified in the Consolidated Plan.

To further the goal of preventing and eliminating homelessness, the County remains one of the largest funders of homeless services in the region. Besides funding bridge housing, transitional housing, and permanent supportive housing units, the County allocates \$1.55M in general revenue funds annually for rapid re-housing of homeless families, and \$872,000 for the Diversion Program implemented by Coalition for the Homeless of Central Florida, Inc. Additionally, the County contributes \$160,000 annually to cover operational expenses at the Samaritan Resource Center, a daily drop-in center for homeless individuals located in East Orange County. Overall, the County's annual contribution of general revenue dollars for various activities to address homelessness totals about \$5.55M.

If appropriate, describe publicly owned land or property located within the jurisdiction that may be used to address the needs identified in the plan

The Housing and Community Development Division will continue its ongoing coordination with Orange County's Real Estate Management Division to conduct regular assessments of surplus County-owned properties suitable for residential development. Nearly 50 such properties have been identified since 2020, with 27 properties transferred to nonprofits for development of affordable housing and additional 19 properties in the process of being transferred. The involvement of the County's Planning, Utilities and Development Engineering Divisions and local Affordable Housing Trust Fund resources have been instrumental in past efforts to use publicly-owned land and/or acquired

property for affordable housing development. This coordination will help address the housing goal of the County's Consolidated Plan and aid in implementing recommendations of the *Housing for All 10-Year Action Plan*.

Discussion

Formula grants under the Consolidated Plan are noncompetitive awards allocated to the County based on a predetermined HUD formula. These grants include the following three programs, listed here with the amount of federal funding allocated for the 2024 program year, the third of five years covered by the 2022-2026 Consolidated Plan:

- Community Development Block Grant (CDBG): \$7,338,797
- HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME): \$2,597,142.10
- Emergency Solutions Grants (ESG): \$645,988

Orange County also administers the Housing Choice Voucher Program (Section 8) under which over \$15 million (to include HUD-VASH) is used annually to provide rental subsidies to 1,282 low-income households in the County. In addition, the Housing and Community Development Division administers 65 HUD-VASH rental vouchers for veterans and 643 out-of-state vouchers from the HUD Section 8 portability program. Another 64 Section 8 Mainstream Vouchers are administered by the County to provide rental assistance to non-elderly persons with disabilities, and 66 Emergency Housing Vouchers to provide rental assistance to homeless households, including youth ages 18-24, and persons fleeing domestic violence and human trafficking. Furthermore, Shelter Plus Care (S+C) funding in the amount of \$1,118,373 is used to help chronically homeless individuals with permanent housing and supportive services.

Florida's State Housing Initiatives Partnership (SHIP) program allocation, along with remaining prior year funds and program income, are generally targeted to affordable housing development, down payment assistance, affordable housing preservation and pre-purchase housing counseling, as well as a pilot rapid re-housing program and impact fee subsidies for new developments.

Some CDBG and HOME activities generate program income, which is income the County receives as a direct result of its CDBG and HOME-funded investments. All program income received is entered into IDIS and drawn before any program funds.

ANNUAL GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

AP-20 Annual Goals and Objectives

Goals Summary Information

Table 6 – Goals Summary

| Sort Order | Goal Name | Start Year | End Year | Category | Geographic Area | Needs Addressed | Funding | Goal Outcome Indicator |
|------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------|----------|-----------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1 | Transform low to moderate-income communities into resilient communities | 2022 | 2026 | Non-Homeless Special Needs Non-Housing Community Development | Countywide | Capital Improvements Public Services | CDBG: \$4,346,127 SHIP: \$200,000 HOME: \$1,400,000 Mainstream: \$800,000 HOME-ARP: \$500,000 | Public facility or infrastructure activity other than low/moderate income housing benefit: 8,582 persons assisted Public service activity other than low/moderate income housing benefit: 1,917 persons assisted Public service activities for low/moderate-income housing benefit: 1,300 persons assisted Jobs created/retained: 189 jobs Special needs housing/rental subsidies: 264 households assisted |

| Sort Order | Goal Name | Start Year | End Year | Category | Geographic Area | Needs Addressed | Funding | Goal Outcome Indicator |
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| 2 | Expand and preserve housing affordability, safety and stability for low to moderate-income households and vulnerable populations | 2022 | 2026 | Affordable Housing Public Housing Homeless Non-Homeless Special Needs | Countywide | Housing Affordability and Condition Homeless Services | CDBG: \$2,176,128 HOME: \$2,337,428 HTF: \$16,105,100 SHIP: \$8,143,749 SHIP Disaster: \$2,161,534 Section 8: \$15,954,400 | Homeowner housing rehabilitated: 260 units Homeowner housing added: 34 units Rental housing rehabilitated: 280 units Rental units constructed: 180 units Tenant-based rental assistance: 1,925 households assisted Direct financial assistance to homebuyers: 200 households Rental assistance (Section 8): 1,925 households assisted |
| 3 | Work in collaboration with local government agencies, nonprofit organizations and industry partners to eradicate and prevent homelessness | 2022 | 2026 | Homeless | Countywide | Homeless Services Program Administration | ESG: \$605,862 SHIP: \$500,000 EHV: \$855,000 S+C: \$1,118,373 General Revenue: \$5,500,000 HOME-ARP: \$1,000,000 | Public service activities for low/moderate-income housing benefit (HUD-VASH, S+C, EHV): 195 persons assisted Homelessness prevention: 90 households assisted Homeless person overnight shelter: 1,705 individuals assisted Tenant-based rental assistance/Rapid Rehousing: 199 households assisted Other (HMIS training): 6 agencies assisted Other (street outreach/homeless persons served): 90 individuals assisted Tenant-based rental assistance (HOME-ARP): 100 households assisted |

| Sort Order | Goal Name | Start Year | End Year | Category | Geographic Area | Needs Addressed | Funding | Goal Outcome Indicator |
|------------|------------------------|------------|----------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------|
| 4 | Program Administration | 2022 | 2026 | Non-Homeless Special Needs Non-Housing Community Development Affordable Housing Homeless Public Housing | Countywide | Program Administration | CDBG: \$1,467,759 HOME: \$259,714.10 ESG: \$40,126 | Other (fair housing training/ outreach): 100 persons |

Goal Descriptions

Goal 1: Transform low to moderate-income communities into resilient communities

Provision of capital improvements and infrastructure improvements to enhance community safety and livability, and to increase accessibility for persons with disabilities; support for services offered by nonprofit organizations, to include services that help increase housing stability and self-sufficiency; provide job training and placement; and meeting special needs of vulnerable populations such as children, the elderly, and people with disabilities.

Goal 2: Expand and preserve housing affordability, safety and stability for low to moderate-income households and vulnerable populations

Rehabilitation of rental and homeowner housing to benefit extremely low-, low-, and moderate-income households; construction of new affordable housing units for rent and homeownership; provision of tenant-based rental assistance and other rental subsidies; and using CHDO funds to support development of new housing and rehabilitation of existing affordable housing units.

Goal 3: Work in collaboration with local government agencies, nonprofit organizations, and industry partners to eradicate and prevent homelessness

Provision of housing and services for residents experiencing homelessness and those at risk of becoming homeless; support for homelessness prevention, case management, wraparound services, and rapid re-housing; availability of emergency shelter facilities for homeless individuals and families; provision of Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) support; and street outreach for unsheltered individuals and families.

Goal 4: Program Administration

Planning and administration of funding for community development and housing activities; and provision of services to County residents and housing providers to advance fair housing.

PROJECTS

AP-35 Projects – 91.220(d)

Introduction

The projects listed below represent the activities Orange County plans to undertake during the 2023 program year to address the goals of transforming communities, expanding housing affordability, and eradicating homelessness. All proposed projects and associated activities will be implemented on a County-wide geographic distribution basis.

Projects

Table 7 – Project Information

| # | Project Name |
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| 1 | 2024 CDBG Capital Improvement Projects |
| 2 | 2024 CDBG Housing Projects - Homeowners Single Family Rehabilitation |
| 3 | 2024 CDBG Housing Projects - Housing Rehabilitation Administration |
| 4 | 2024 CDBG Public Services |
| 5 | 2024 CDBG Administration |
| 6 | 2024 HOME Tenant Based Rental Assistance |
| 7 | 2024 HOME Homeowners Single Family Rehabilitation |
| 8 | 2024 HOME Rental Housing Rehabilitation |
| 9 | 2024 HOME Community Housing Development Organizations |
| 10 | 2024 HOME Administration |
| 11 | 2024 Emergency Solutions Grant |
| 12 | 2024 CDBG Reprogrammed Funds |
| 13 | 2024 HOME Reprogrammed Funds |

Describe the reasons for allocation priorities and any obstacles to addressing underserved needs

Each year, Orange County Housing and Community Development Division sets its allocation priorities based on factors such as the percentage of low- and moderate-income population, existing substandard housing stock, and the need for other improvements. Additionally, the 2022-2026 Consolidated Plan priorities, determined with extensive input obtained from neighborhood meeting attendees, stakeholder focus groups, and consultation with other jurisdictions and local partners, also influence allocations. This collective information confirms that there are ongoing, unmet needs for public services, homeless services, and capital improvements. Housing affordability also remains a critical need in Orange County and has only increased in priority over recent years. With sharply rising housing prices and an influx of new residents into the Central Florida region, Orange County now ranks as one of the

least affordable places to live in the nation. At the same time, low- to moderate-income communities continue to need capital improvement projects and public services to help stabilize neighborhoods, expand economic opportunities for low-income families and individuals, and meet an increased demand for social services.

AP-38 Project Summary

Project Summary Information

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| 1 | Project Name | 2024 CDBG Capital Improvement Projects |
| | Target Area | County-wide |
| | Goals Supported | Transform low to moderate-income communities into resilient communities |
| | Needs Addressed | Capital Improvements |
| | Funding | CDBG: \$3,370,219 |
| | Description | Capital improvement projects are implemented according to 24 CFR 570.483(b)(2) of the federal Community Development Block Grant regulations. Capital projects planned for FY 2024-2025 include rehabilitation of public facilities and the construction of a new public facility. |
| | Target Date | 9/30/2025 |
| | Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities | 8,582 low-income individuals. |
| | Location Description | Projects to be located within the boundaries of Orange County. |
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| | Planned Activities | <p>The planned activities under CDBG Capital Improvement Projects are summarized below:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Coalition for the Homeless of Central Florida, Inc.: Center for Women and Children – construction of a new emergency shelter for homeless persons on the agency’s Downtown campus (Phase I). Costs to cover general construction activities associated with site improvements and infrastructure (\$1,024,092, with additional funds being allocated under CDBG Reprogrammed funds, for a total of \$2,000,000 in CDBG dollars). • Aspire Health Partners, Inc.: Kassab Plaza Building A – improvements to the facility that provides medical detox services to persons with substance use disorders. Funds to cover replacement of a roof (\$263,538). • Central Florida Family Health Center, Inc.: Alafaya Improvements – rehabilitation of the flooring of the Alafaya Community Health Center that provides medical services to low-income and uninsured patients. Funded improvements include replacement of flooring at the facility (\$76,626). • Primrose Center, Inc.: Storm Shelter for Adults with Disabilities – retrofit of existing buildings on the agency’s campus to better withstand hurricanes & storms when providing services to persons with disabilities. Funded improvements include replacement of windows and doors, and installation of 4 generators (\$628,554). • The Salvation Army: Men's Shelter Modernization (emergency shelter for homeless individuals) – a variety of building improvements and repairs. Funds to cover installation of an elevator (\$929,529). • Town of Eatonville CRA: Eatonville Works Employment and Business Incubator – improvements to a public facility that will house the CareerSource and provide small business incubator space. Funded improvements include sitework and internal construction improvements (\$447,880). |
| 2 | Project Name | 2024 CDBG Housing Projects - Homeowners Single Family Rehabilitation |
| | Target Area | County-wide |
| | Goals Supported | Expand and preserve housing affordability, safety and stability for low to moderate-income households and vulnerable populations |
| | Needs Addressed | Housing Affordability and Condition |
| | Funding | CDBG: \$1,160,000 |
| | Description | Rehabilitation services to provide minor or major home repairs to very low to low-income homeowners in Orange County. The County utilizes CDBG, HOME and local SHIP funds for the Housing Rehabilitation Program. The program focuses primarily on seniors and individuals with disabilities. |

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| | Target Date | 9/30/2025. |
| | Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities | 100 low-income homeowner households, with priority given to seniors and persons with disabilities. |
| | Location Description | Projects to be located within the boundaries of Orange County. |
| | Planned Activities | <p>Orange County plans to assist 100 low-income homeowners through its Housing Rehabilitation Program, with activities including the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Minor home repair assistance – includes repairs up to \$20,000 related to life, health, safety or code violations. CDBG and SHIP remain the main funding sources for this program. • Major rehabilitation – includes electrical, plumbing, roof repairs and other major health hazards. These repairs are limited to \$75,000 and may be funded by CDBG, HOME or local SHIP funds. • Emergency repairs – Orange County will continue to implement an emergency repairs' program for roof repairs, septic system repairs or similar repairs that constitute an urgent safety and health hazard. |
| 3 | Project Name | 2024 CDBG Housing Projects - Housing Rehabilitation Administration |
| | Target Area | County-wide |
| | Goals Supported | Expand and preserve housing affordability, safety and stability for low to moderate-income households and vulnerable populations |
| | Needs Addressed | Housing Affordability and Condition |
| | Funding | CDBG: \$401,276 |
| | Description | Costs associated with service delivery and administration of housing rehabilitation projects. |
| | Target Date | 9/30/2025 |
| | Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities | N/A - program administration. Beneficiary data will be recorded at activity level. |

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| | Location Description | Projects to be located within the boundaries of Orange County. |
| | Planned Activities | This project involves administration and service delivery of minor, major and emergency rehabilitation programs and the Lead Based Paint Hazard program operated by Orange County. |
| 4 | Project Name | 2024 CDBG Public Services |
| | Target Area | County-wide |
| | Goals Supported | Transform low to moderate-income communities into resilient communities |
| | Needs Addressed | Public Services |
| | Funding | CDBG: \$939,543 |
| | Description | Public service activities proposed for Fiscal Year 2024-2025 generally fall under one of the following categories: case management and crisis intervention; services for children; services for homeless; services for seniors and persons with severe disabilities; and housing stability and wraparound services. |
| | Target Date | 9/30/2025 |
| | Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities | 1,917 low-income individuals |
| | Location Description | Location of projects is within Orange County boundaries. |
| | Planned Activities | <p>The planned Public Services activities for FY 2024-2025 are listed below.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Health Services – A total of \$170,000 in CDBG funds will be allocated as follows: \$60,000 for Aspire Health Partners, Inc. to provide comprehensive substance abuse treatment & behavioral health care services for homeless and low-income women; \$60,000 in funds for Health Care Center for the Homeless, Inc. to provide mental health and substance abuse services; and \$50,000 for Shepherd’s Hope, Inc. to provide healthcare and wraparound services to uninsured patients to help prevent hospitalizations. • Services for the homeless – Orange County will allocate a total of \$127,000 in CDBG funds for services for the homeless to be distributed as follows: \$40,000 for Covenant House Florida Inc. for housing instability case management and engagement in supportive services at the agency’s |

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| | | <p>Community Service Center; \$42,000 for IMPOWER, Inc. for transitional housing and extended support services for former foster care youth; and \$45,000 for SALT Outreach, Inc. for homeless case management services provided through a mobile drop-in center.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Children services – Orange County will allocate \$95,000 in CDBG funding for children services as follows: \$50,000 in CDBG funds for Boys and Girls Clubs of Central Florida, Inc. to support childcare and afterschool program for homeless and low-income children; and \$45,000 for Harbor House of Central Florida, Inc. to fund child care and case management services for homeless children staying at the domestic violence shelter. • Services for elderly and persons with disabilities – Orange County will allocate a total of \$275,000 for services for the elderly and persons with disabilities to be distributed as follows: \$155,000 will be allocated to Seniors First, Inc. to provide in-home meal delivery for homebound low-income seniors; \$60,000 for Life Concepts, Inc. to fund self-sufficiency services for persons with disabilities; and \$60,000 in funds for Primrose Center, Inc. to provide employment training and placement for persons with developmental disabilities. • Economic stability and self-sufficiency services – A total of \$103,000 in CDBG funds will be allocated as follows: \$45,000 for IDignity, Inc. for identification services for homeless and precariously housed/low-income individuals; and \$58,000 for Jewish Family Services, Inc. to conduct case management, financial counseling and crisis intervention for individuals and families on the brink of homelessness. • Housing stability and wraparound services – Orange County will provide a total of \$169,543 in CDBG funds for services to help stabilize and support residents who are at-risk of becoming homeless as follows: \$45,000 for Ability Housing, Inc. for case management services for homeless persons and individuals at risk of homelessness to help them remain stably housed; \$40,000 for Catholic Charities of Central Florida, Inc. for case management for the agency’s Homelessness Prevention program; \$40,000 for Grand Avenue Econ. Comm. Dev. Corp. to fund housing stability and wraparound services for formerly homeless individuals; and \$44,543 for personnel expenditures associated with a case manager position at the Pathways Drop-In Center. |
| 5 | Project Name | 2024 CDBG Administration |
| | Target Area | County-wide |
| | Goals Supported | Program Administration |

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| | Needs Addressed | Program Administration |
| | Funding | CDBG: \$1,467,759 |
| | Description | Activities related to the administration of grant programs. |
| | Target Date | 9/30/2025 |
| | Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities | 100 low-income individuals to benefit from fair housing activities. |
| | Location Description | Location of projects is within Orange County boundaries. |
| | Planned Activities | Costs associated with planning and administration of grant funds including, but not limited to, salaries, supplies, rent, travel, training, etc. The County will also allocate \$20,000 from CDBG Administration funds for various fair housing activities, such as educational workshops, training, and development of fair housing materials for distribution. |
| 6 | Project Name | 2024 HOME Tenant Based Rental Assistance |
| | Target Area | County-wide |
| | Goals Supported | Expand and preserve housing affordability, safety and stability for low to moderate-income households and vulnerable populations |
| | Needs Addressed | Housing Affordability and Condition |
| | Funding | HOME: \$1,400,000 |
| | Description | The project provides rental subsidies for seniors and persons with disabilities, including formerly homeless individuals. |
| | Target Date | 9/30/2025 |
| | Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities | 200 low-income senior households or households of persons with disabilities, including those who were formerly homeless. |

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| | Location Description | Location of projects is within Orange County boundaries. |
| | Planned Activities | This project under the HOME Program will provide rental subsidies to serve approximately 200 households. |
| 7 | Project Name | 2024 HOME Homeowners Single Family Rehabilitation |
| | Target Area | County-wide |
| | Goals Supported | Expand and preserve housing affordability, safety and stability for low to moderate-income households and vulnerable populations |
| | Needs Addressed | Housing Affordability and Condition |
| | Funding | HOME: \$300,000 |
| | Description | Orange County has designated \$300,000 in HOME funds to provide very low and low-income homeowners with housing rehabilitation assistance. CDBG funds and local SHIP funds are also used for this purpose. As part of implementing the Housing for All 10-Year Action Plan, a local Affordable Housing Trust Fund Plan was adopted in 2020. These Trust Fund resources can be leveraged with federal dollars for increased affordable housing options that benefit low to moderate-income households in Orange County. |
| | Target Date | 9/30/2025 |
| | Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities | 3 low-income households are expected to benefit from homeowner single-family rehabilitation activities funded with HOME funds. |
| | Location Description | Location of projects is within Orange County boundary. |
| | Planned Activities | Rehabilitation activities include major repairs necessary to ensure the health and safety of the residents, as well as complete rebuild of properties no longer suitable for habitation. |
| 8 | Project Name | 2024 HOME Rental Housing Rehabilitation |
| | Target Area | County-wide |
| | Goals Supported | Expand and preserve housing affordability, safety, and stability for low to moderate-income households and vulnerable populations |
| | Needs Addressed | Housing Affordability and Condition |

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| | Funding | HOME: \$247,856 |
| | Description | HOME funds will be used to renovate and preserve affordable rental units for very low, low-income and homeless households. |
| | Target Date | 9/30/2025 |
| | Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities | TBD |
| | Location Description | Location of projects is within Orange County boundaries. |
| | Planned Activities | In FY 2024-2025, various projects will receive financial assistance to aid in the preservation of affordable rental housing units. HOME funds will be used to leverage funding for these projects. Local Trust Fund dollars and SHIP funds can be leveraged for the same purpose. |
| 9 | Project Name | 2024 HOME Community Housing Development Organizations |
| | Target Area | County-wide |
| | Goals Supported | Expand and preserve housing affordability, safety and stability for low to moderate-income households and vulnerable populations |
| | Needs Addressed | Housing Affordability and Condition |
| | Funding | HOME: \$389,572 |
| | Description | HOME funds require a minimum 15% set-aside for activities with Community Housing Development Organizations (CHDOs). |
| | Target Date | 9/30/2025 |
| | Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities | At least one (1) very low- to low-income household is expected to benefit from CHDO activities funded with HOME funds. |
| | Location Description | Location of projects is within Orange County boundaries. |

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| | Planned Activities | Orange County plans to partner with a certified CHDO (Orlando Neighborhood Improvement Corporation (ONIC) or another qualified and certified CHDO) for rehabilitation activities on an affordable apartment complexes – Golden Oaks (96 units). All projects funded with CHDO set-aside must meet HOME eligibility criteria, including CHDO qualification status and a risk assessment of the project. |
| 10 | Project Name | 2024 HOME Administration |
| | Target Area | County-wide |
| | Goals Supported | Program Administration |
| | Needs Addressed | Program Administration |
| | Funding | HOME: \$259,714.10 |
| | Description | The HOME program allows up to 10% of the total allocation for planning and administration activities. |
| | Target Date | 9/30/2025 |
| | Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities | N/A |
| | Location Description | N/A |
| | Planned Activities | Planning and administration of HOME funded activities, such as tenant-based rental assistance, and rental and homeowner rehabilitation. |
| 11 | Project Name | 2024 Emergency Solutions Grant |
| | Target Area | County-wide |
| | Goals Supported | Work in collaboration with local government agencies, nonprofit organizations, and industry partners to eradicate and prevent homelessness |
| | Needs Addressed | Homeless Services |
| | | Program Administration |
| | Funding | ESG: \$645,988 |

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| Description | In FY 2024-2025, Orange County will receive \$645,988 in Emergency Solutions Grant funds (ESG) to support activities aimed at preventing and eliminating homelessness. A portion of the funds will be used to support ESG administration and the Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) platform. |
| Target Date | 9/30/2025 |
| Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities | 1,885 very low, low-income and homeless individuals and families are expected to benefit from the ESG-funded activities in FY 2024-2025. |
| Location Description | Location of projects is within Orange County boundaries. |
| Planned Activities | <p>The planned activities under the Emergency Solutions Grant are as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Shelter operations and Street Outreach – Orange County will provide \$342,000 of the Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) allocation for operations and \$45,500 for street outreach. This funding will be distributed among five (5) agencies: Coalition for the Homeless of Central Florida, Inc. will receive \$133,000 to support shelter operation expenses at two facilities serving the homeless; \$53,000 for Family Promise of Greater Orlando, Inc. to support operational expenses and essential services (case management) at the shelter facilities for homeless families; Harbor House of Central Florida, Inc. will be funded in the amount of \$83,000 to assist with operating costs of the shelter facility for victims of domestic violence and their children; The Salvation Army will receive \$73,000 to support operational expenses for an emergency shelter program at two facilities; and Covenant House Florida, Inc. will receive \$45,500 to cover personnel expenses and transportation services for their street outreach services for youth ages 18-24 experiencing homelessness. • Homelessness prevention services – Orange County will allocate \$198,362 of ESG Funds towards homelessness prevention services. The Christian Service Center of Central Florida, Inc. will receive \$98,362 to cover personnel expenses and rental and financial assistance activities and Family Promise of Greater Orlando, Inc. will receive \$100,000 to provide homelessness prevention services, including financial assistance and case management, to eligible households who are at risk of becoming homeless. • Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) – A total of \$20,000 will be set aside for HMIS-related expenditures, to include the cost of licenses and technical support for ESG-funded agencies, as well as CAPER data collection and reporting. |

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| | | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ESG Administration – A total of \$40,126, or approximately 6% of the total ESG allocation for FY 2024-2025, will be used for administration, to include review of reimbursement requests, monitoring of ESG-funded agencies, and provision of technical assistance. |
| 12 | Project Name | 2024 CDBG Reprogrammed Funds |
| | Target Area | County-wide |
| | Goals Supported | Expand and preserve housing affordability, safety, and stability for low to moderate-income households and vulnerable populations |
| | Needs Addressed | Housing Affordability and Condition |
| | Funding | CDBG: \$670,000 |
| | Description | The County will direct a total of \$1,590,760 in reprogrammed CDBG funds for the capital and housing projects that were selected during the annual Request for Applications process. |
| | Target Date | 9/30/2025 |
| | Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities | 100 very low and low-income households |
| | Location Description | Both projects are located within Orange County boundary. |
| | Planned Activities | <p>The County will direct \$975,908 in reprogrammed CDBG funds to Coalition for the Homeless of Central Florida, Inc. for the site work associated with construction of the new emergency shelter – Center for Women and Children (in addition to awarded FY 2024-2025 CDBG funds, for a total of \$2M).</p> <p>Additionally, Orlando Neighborhood Improvement Corporation was awarded \$614,852 in reprogrammed CDBG funds for rehabilitation of the Maitland Oaks apartment complex that provides 100 units of affordable housing. Improvements will include replacement of windows, sliding doors, unit entry doors, etc.</p> |
| 13 | Project Name | 2024 HOME Reprogrammed Funds |
| | Target Area | County-wide |
| | Goals Supported | Expand and preserve housing affordability, safety and stability for low to moderate-income households and vulnerable populations |
| | Needs Addressed | Housing Affordability and Condition |

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| Funding | HOME: \$0 |
| Description | TBD |
| Target Date | 9/30/2025 |
| Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities | TBD |
| Location Description | Location will be within Orange County boundaries. |
| Planned Activities | TBD |

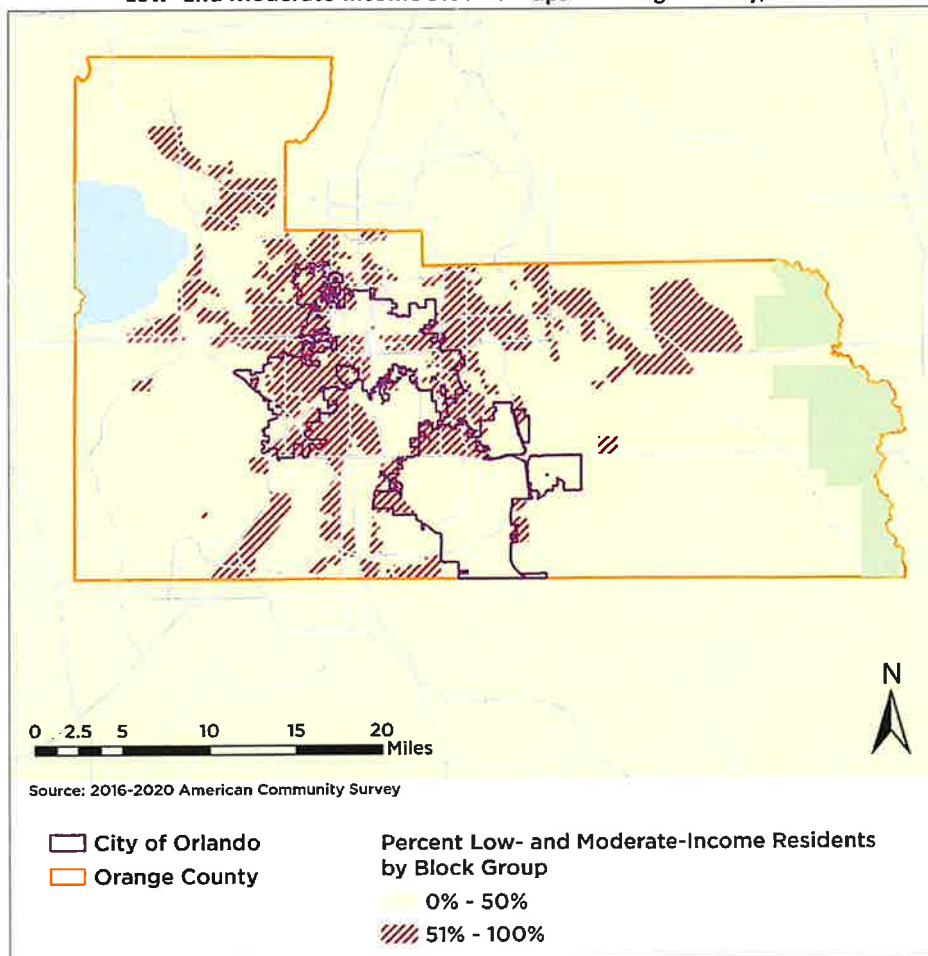
AP-50 Geographic Distribution – 91.220(f)

Description of the geographic areas of the entitlement (including areas of low-income and minority concentration) where assistance will be directed

Under HUD’s grant program regulations, the Orange County entitlement jurisdiction includes block groups within Orange County, excluding the City of Orlando. This means Orange County may use its CDBG, HOME and ESG grant funds in unincorporated areas of the County, as well as the cities of Winter Park, Maitland, and Ocoee, Winter Garden, and the towns of Eatonville, Oakland and Windermere, which are considered participating jurisdictions and have interlocal agreements in place with Orange County to share in the HUD-funded programs.

The map below identifies low- and moderate-income block groups (51% or more low- and moderate-income population) in Orange County. Each year, the County strives to fund projects that serve areas with the greatest need, as determined by factors such as percentage of low- and moderate-income population, substandard housing stock, and need for other improvements. Additionally, the County funds projects that address priority needs of income-eligible households and special needs populations living throughout Orange County.

Low- and Moderate-Income Block Groups in Orange County, 2020



Geographic Distribution

Table 8 - Geographic Distribution

| Target Area | Percentage of Funds |
|-------------|---------------------|
| Countywide | 100% |

Rationale for the priorities for allocating investments geographically

Each year, the County will select projects and activities that meet the priorities and goals identified in the Consolidated Plan. This process will utilize a variety of methods to select projects, such as consultation with County staff and current subrecipients, implementation of other standing County plans, and formal Requests for Proposals. Projects and activities must best meet priority needs based on project eligibility, availability of funds, number of anticipated beneficiaries served, and readiness to proceed. The County does not identify target areas for the use of HUD grant funds.

AFFORDABLE HOUSING

AP-55 Affordable Housing – 91.220(g)

Introduction

Orange County’s 2022-2026 Consolidated Plan lists affordable housing as one of its main goals. More specifically, the Consolidated Plan states that the County will expand and preserve housing affordability, safety and stability for low to moderate-income households and vulnerable population through construction of new affordable housing units, rehabilitation activities, and provision of tenant-based rental assistance and other rental subsidies. Orange County will continue focusing on addressing affordable housing as a goal through this FY 2024-2025 Action Plan.

Orange County is deeply committed to increasing its supply of affordable housing through implementation of the Housing For All 10-Year Action Plan. The goal of the 10-Year Action Plan is to produce or preserve 33,300 housing units in the County, of which at least 11,000 will be affordable to very low, low, and moderate-income households. As part of the 10-Year Action Plan, the County established its own Affordable Housing Trust Fund in 2020. Resources from the Trust Fund provide financial leverage for affordable housing production and preservation activities. Through its various Consolidated Plan housing activities, Orange County expects to provide affordable housing for the following numbers of extremely low-income, low-income, and moderate-income families over the 2024 Program Year.

Table 9 - One Year Goals for Affordable Housing by Support Requirement

| One Year Goals for the Number of Households to be Supported | |
|-------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|
| Homeless | 494 |
| Non-Homeless | 2,699 |
| Special-Needs | 244 |
| Total | 3,437 |

Table 10 - One Year Goals for Affordable Housing by Support Type

| One Year Goals for the Number of Households Supported Through | |
|---------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|
| Rental Assistance | 2,574 |
| The Production of New Units | 214 |
| Rehab of Existing Units | 540 |
| Acquisition of Existing Units | 200 |
| Total | 3,528 |

Discussion

A detailed explanation of FY 2024-2025 activities aimed at creation and preservation of affordable housing units in Orange County is presented below. All activities are grouped by support requirement and by support type.

By Support Requirement:

Homeless – 494

- Rapid re-housing – 199 (85 – SHIP funds, and 114 – general revenue)
- HUD-VASH – 65
- Shelter Plus Care – 64
- Emergency Housing Vouchers – 66 (for homeless households, including homeless youth ages 18-24, and persons fleeing domestic violence and human trafficking)
- HOME-ARP TBRA – 100 (for qualified homeless populations)

Non-Homeless – 2,699

- Single family homeowner rehabilitation – 260 (100 – County’s Program; 160 – Habitat for Humanity Greater Orlando and Osceola County/Roof Replacement Program – CDBG Reprogrammed funds/HTF, SHIP Disaster Recovery)
- Homeowner housing added – 34 (10 Impact Fee Subsidy Program – SHIP/HTF; 24 – Hannibal Square CLT/Apopka Townhome development – HTF)
- Rental housing rehabilitation – 280 (100 – Orlando Neighborhood Improvement Corporation/Maitland Oaks – CDBG Reprogrammed Funds; 180 – Grand Avenue Econ. Comm. Dev. Corp./Maxwell Garden – SHIP Disaster Recovery)
- Section 8 – 1,925 (including out-of-state vouchers)
- HOME TBRA – 200

Special Needs – 244

- Mainstream Vouchers – 64 (for persons under 62 years and disabled who are at risk for homelessness or were previously homeless)
- The Waters Senior Development – 180

Orange County will continue to fund rehabilitation of single-family homeowner occupied housing with a special focus on elderly and persons with disabilities, and rehabilitation of group homes for persons with disabilities.

TOTAL – 2,437

By Support Type:

Rental Assistance – 2,574

- HOME TBRA – 200
- HOME-ARP TBRA – 100
- Section 8 – 1,925 (including out-of-state vouchers)
- Shelter Plus Care – 64
- HUD-VASH – 65
- Mainstream Vouchers – 64
- Emergency Housing Vouchers – 66
- Homelessness Prevention – 90 (ESG funds)

Production of New Units – 214

- Impact Fee Subsidy Program (SHIP funds and HTF) – 10 units
- Hannibal Square Comm. Land Trust/Apopka Townhomes/Cornerstone on Sixth (HTF) – 24 units

- The Waters Senior Development (Impact fee waiver) – 180 units

Rehab of Existing Units – 540

- Single family homeowner rehabilitation – 100 units (County's Program)
- Single family homeowner rehabilitation/Disaster recovery – 80 units (SHIP Disaster Recovery funds)
- Habitat for Humanity Greater Orlando (CDBG reprogrammed funds/HTF) – 80 units
- Orlando Neighborhood Improvement Corporation/Maitland Oaks – 100 units (CDBG reprogrammed funds)
- Grand Avenue Econ. Comm. Dev. Corp. /Maxwell Garden – 180 units (SHIP Disaster Recovery)

Acquisition of Existing Units – 200

- Down Payment Assistance Program – 200 (SHIP funds)

TOTAL – 3,528

AP-60 Public Housing – 91.220(h)

Introduction

Orange County, excluding the City of Orlando, offers 171 public housing units located in the City of Winter Park and 205 public housing units through the Orlando Housing Authority. The Orange County Housing and Community Development Division also provides 1,282 Section 8 housing choice vouchers. When the City of Orlando is included in these counts, Orange County offers a total of more than 4,000 housing choice vouchers. The Orlando Housing Authority offers 2,481 of these vouchers, which may be located both within the City of Orlando or in other locations in Orange County.

The Orlando Housing Authority (OHA) owns and manages 1,409 public housing units (including 94 public housing/tax credit units) in 13 complexes throughout Orlando and Orange County, Florida. The OHA also owns 569 affordable, non-public housing units. There are currently 5,250 households on the public housing pre-application waiting list. The OHA also administers 4,919 Section 8 Housing Choice vouchers, including special purpose vouchers, 619 HUD-VASH vouchers, 153 Emergency Housing Vouchers, and 47 Stability Vouchers. As of July 2024, there are 4,496 vouchers leased. There are 14,570 applicants on the housing choice voucher pre-application waiting list.

Actions planned during the next year to address the needs to public housing

The Orlando Housing Authority (OHA) is the only public housing agency within the City of Orlando that provides public housing rentals to low- and very low-income persons. The OHA also administers the HUD Housing Choice Voucher Program (Section 8). For 2023, the OHA anticipates receiving \$65,107,247. The anticipated allocations from primary funding sources are as follows:

- Housing Choice Voucher Program: \$52,275,374;
- Public Housing Operating Subsidy \$4,775,957; and
- Capital Fund Program: \$8,055,916

HUD is redirecting its focus on repositioning public housing by allowing housing authorities the flexibility to preserve affordable housing within their communities. According to its FY 25 MTW Plan, the Orlando Housing Authority plans to create 45 project-based VASH vouchers for veterans at select locations in Orange and Seminole Counties.

The OHA evaluated its public housing inventory and identified six (6) sites for demolition and redevelopment as part of a long-term housing revitalization strategy. OHA submitted six (6) demolition applications to HUD in 2019. HUD approved the demolition of Griffin Park Apartments in February 2023. The OHA intends to redevelop Griffin Park into a new, vibrant, mixed-income housing community with historic features to commemorate the rich legacy and significance of Griffin Park and its former residents.

In September 2023, the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) awarded local non-profit Lift Orlando, Inc. and the Orlando Housing Authority a Choice Neighborhood Planning Grant for the West Lakes area, including the Lorna Doone and Lake Mann Homes public housing sites. The planning activities are underway and on schedule.

Winter Park Housing Authority (WPHA). WPHA plans to address the needs of its public housing communities by improving housing quality, enhancing resident services, promoting community engagement and incorporating

sustainable practices. These strategies help us to fulfill our mission to maintain safe, affordable, and supportive living environments for our residents.

Actions to encourage public housing residents to become more involved in management and participate in homeownership

The Orlando Housing Authority has active Resident Associations at its public housing complexes. Resident Association presidents meet monthly with the OHA's President/CEO and staff to discuss programs and policies, upcoming activities, and resident concerns. Residents may pursue homeownership opportunities through coordinated information and referral services provided at the Moving to Work (MTW) Resource Center, and OHA's Resident Opportunities and Self Sufficiency and Family Self-Sufficiency Programs.

In 2010, the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) awarded the Orlando Housing Authority the Moving to Work (MTW) designation that allows housing authorities to implement innovative programs (usually not permitted) to encourage self-sufficiency. One of the initial activities under the MTW Program was an increase of the OHA's rent floor to \$225 per month. The rent floor does not apply to the elderly or disabled. Residents unable to pay the \$225 must participate in the services available at the Moving to Work (MTW) Resource Center. Through the Resource Center services, residents develop individual action plans and set goals to move toward self-sufficiency. The MTW Resource Center offers job readiness training, job recruiting services, childcare, and transportation assistance if needed.

As an MTW Demonstration Agency, the OHA can move beyond the boundaries of traditional public housing and Section 8 to address critical needs within the community. The OHA also implemented a program to provide transitional housing in the form of project-based housing choice voucher (Section 8) assistance to homeless individuals for up to 24 months at West Oaks Apartments (OHA-owned, non-public housing). The OHA partners with local homeless service agencies to provide case management support to participants as needed.

Winter Park Housing Authority (WPHA). WPHA residents are encouraged to be involved with management through Community Meetings, Resident Advisory Boards, and participation in community surveys that provides feedback from our residents that fosters a culture of involvement and engagement. To maximize these efforts, having representation on our Board of Commissioners with a Resident Commissioner aids in community involvement within the agency.

Public Housing Residents are able to receive support and referral services through our ROSS (Resident Opportunities & Self Sufficiency) Grant and partnership with local organization such as H.E.L.P CDC for financial and homeownership classes, referrals to Winter Park Land Trust and/or Habitat for Humanity Winter Park-Maitland to see our residents achieve homeownership.

If the PHA is designated as troubled, describe the manner in which financial assistance will be provided or other assistance

Not applicable.

AP-65 Homeless and Other Special Needs Activities – 91.220(i)

Introduction

The Central Florida Commission on Homelessness serves as the organizing entity for the Continuum of Care (CoC) for Orange, Osceola, and Seminole counties. The CoC brings together housing and service providers to meet the needs of individuals and families experiencing homelessness. Over the next year, the County will continue to partner with the CoC to address homelessness and the essential needs of homeless individuals and families, including homeless subpopulations.

Describe the jurisdiction’s one-year goals and actions for reducing and ending homelessness including:

Reaching out to homeless persons (especially unsheltered persons) and assessing their individual needs

As the principal agency for the Orlando/Orange, Osceola, and Seminole Counties CoC, the Homeless Services Network of Central Florida (HSN) maintains a Coordinated Entry System (CES) to prioritize services to those most in need. In addition to outreach and assessment on an individual or family level, the County and HSN also work to understand homeless needs throughout Orange County. Each year, HSN conducts a single-day Point-in-Time (PIT) count for sheltered and unsheltered persons and works to ensure the Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) delivers data needed for HUD and local government reporting.

Various homeless service organizations also provide outreach services in Orange County, such as the Homeless Outreach Partnership Effort (H.O.P.E.) team operated by the Health Care Center for the Homeless and the programs offered by other nonprofit agencies. The H.O.P.E. team is made up of outreach specialists, mental health and medical providers, and others who work to build trust with residents experiencing homelessness, assess their needs and eligibility, and connect residents to services, such as transportation assistance and housing navigation. Covenant House Florida will continue to offer street outreach services to homeless youth.

During FY 2024-2025, the County will provide \$45,500 in ESG funds and \$40,000 in CDBG funds to Covenant House Florida, Inc. to support their street outreach services for youth ages 18-24 experiencing homelessness. Additionally, the County will provide \$45,000 in CDBG funds to SALT Outreach, Inc. to offer case management and outreach services at the agency’s mobile drop-in center. Orange County will also provide \$133,000 in ESG funds to the Coalition for the Homeless of Central Florida for operations of an emergency shelter; \$53,000 to Family Promise of Greater Orlando, Inc. for case management services and a portion of shelter operational expenses; \$83,000 to Harbor House of Central Florida, Inc. for emergency domestic violence shelter operational expenses; and \$73,000 to The Salvation Army for shelter operations.

Finally, \$44,543 in CDBG funds will be provided to Grand Avenue Economic Community Development Corp. to offer wraparound services for mentally ill and homeless persons at the Pathways Drop-In Center facility.

Additionally, during the 2024-2025 program year, the County will provide \$2,000,000 in CDBG funds to support site development work associated with the construction of a new emergency homeless shelter (Center for Women and Children) for the Coalition for the Homeless of Central Florida, Inc.; \$127,000 for services for homeless individuals and families, including identification services; \$169,543 in CDBG funds for housing stability and wraparound services; and \$103,000 for economic stability and self-sufficiency.

Addressing the emergency shelter and transitional housing needs of homeless persons

ESG funds are awarded annually to eligible nonprofit agencies that provide emergency shelter and transitional housing. The County has traditionally funded emergency shelter improvements and services for several service providers. Orange County will continue to use local and federal funding to support operations, maintenance, and programming at local emergency shelters and transitional housing facilities. The County will allocate \$342,000 to shelter operations in partnership with the following agencies: Coalition for the Homeless of Central Florida, Inc., Family Promise of Greater Orlando, Inc., Harbor House of Central Florida, Inc., and The Salvation Army. These four agencies are expected to assist a total of 1,705 individuals with overnight shelter accommodations and supportive services.

In addition, the County will provide \$45,000 in CDBG funds to Ability Housing, Inc. to fund supportive services at the Wayne Densch Center which provides housing to individuals who are homeless or at risk of homelessness; \$42,000 for IMPOWER to support transitional housing and case management program for former foster care youth; and \$40,000 for Grand Avenue Economic Comm. Dev. Corp. to fund wraparound case management and support services for formerly homeless individuals to help them stabilize and stay housed. Lastly, the County will provide \$2M in CDBG funds to support the construction of a new emergency homeless shelter (Center for Women and Children) on the downtown campus of the Coalition for the Homeless of Central Florida, Inc. and close to \$1M for modernization of the Men's Shelter at the Salvation Army campus (installation of an elevator).

Orange County utilizes general revenue dollars (administered through the Mental Health and Homelessness Division) to support the Homelessness Diversion Program offered by Coalition for the Homeless of Central Florida, Inc., as well as a number of bridge housing and transitional housing units operated by various community partners, to include Coalition for the Homeless of Central Florida, Inc., Grand Avenue Economic Community Development Corp., and Aspire Health Partners, Inc..

Helping homeless persons (especially chronically homeless individuals and families, families with children, veterans and their families, and unaccompanied youth) make the transition to permanent housing and independent living, including shortening the period of time that individuals and families experience homelessness, facilitating access for homeless individuals and families to affordable housing units, and preventing individuals and families who were recently homeless from becoming homeless again

The Continuum of Care (CoC) uses the Housing First approach to ending homelessness, which prioritizes providing permanent housing to people experiencing homelessness before attending to anything less critical, such as getting a job, budgeting, or addressing substance abuse issues. The Continuum of Care's permanent supportive housing (PSH) programs, which include wraparound services, are key to keeping formerly homeless persons in housing. The County utilizes federal Shelter Plus Care funding to provide permanent supportive housing for 64 people with disabilities. The HUD-VASH program will allocate 65 rental assistance vouchers to Orange County. Participants will have an opportunity to engage in wraparound case management and clinical services. A total of 64 Mainstream Vouchers will be available to assist non-elderly persons with disabilities with rental subsidies. These vouchers are targeted for those individuals who might be at risk of becoming homeless. In addition, 66 Emergency Housing Vouchers will be used to assist homeless households, including homeless youth ages 18-24, and persons fleeing domestic violence and human trafficking. As the County begin implementation of the tenant-based rental assistance program funded under HOME-ARP, approximately 100 of qualifying households are expected to benefit from those subsidies and supportive services.

The CoC has recently been awarded \$8M dollars to address homelessness among Central Florida youth. While Covenant House Florida has recently announced that it will no longer offer emergency shelter to the homeless youth at its Orlando location, the agency still hopes to continue offering other services, such as street outreach, drop-in center services, and transitional housing to your ages 18-24. IMPOWER, Inc. will receive \$42,000 to continue to enhance their transitional housing and homelessness prevention program for former foster care youth that are on the verge of homelessness. In addition, Harbor House of Central Florida, Inc. will be awarded \$45,000 in CDBG funds for its Children’s Services Program, which provides trauma informed childcare and intensive case management services for homeless children (0-18) staying at the domestic violence shelter. The Boys & Girls Clubs of Central Florida, Inc. will also receive \$50,000 in CDBG funds for their MAGIC of Literacy afterschool and tutoring program for low-income children, to include children from homeless families. Furthermore, IDignity, Inc. will be funded in the amount of \$45,000 to provide legal identification services for homeless and precariously housed/low-income individuals, which, in turn, can help them obtain jobs and housing.

Finally, in FY 2024-2025, the County expects to assist 199 households with rapid re-housing services funded with general revenue dollars (through Homeless Services Network of Central Florida) and SHIP funds (administered by Coalition for the Homeless of Central Florida).

Helping low-income individuals and families avoid becoming homeless, especially extremely low-income individuals and families and those who are: being discharged from publicly funded institutions and systems of care (such as health care facilities, mental health facilities, foster care and other youth facilities, and corrections programs and institutions); or, receiving assistance from public or private agencies that address housing, health, social services, employment, education, or youth needs

Orange County has used Emergency Solutions Grant funds to prevent individuals and families who were recently homeless from becoming homeless again, including through rapid re-housing, rent and utility assistance, case management, financial training, and other services. The County’s housing rehabilitation program provides elderly homeowners with home repair assistance to prevent displacement from housing.

The County will provide \$198,362 in ESG funds to serve about 90 families through homelessness prevention during the 2024-2025 program year. This funding includes costs to cover rental assistance, arrears, and personnel expenses. Additionally, preserving the existing affordable housing stock and adding more units are also important activities contributing to helping families avoid homelessness. CDBG dollars, as well as State and local funds will be used to fund rehabilitation of units owned by very low and low-income households, who are primarily elderly and persons with disabilities. It is estimated that a total of 260 homeowners will benefit from rehabilitation activities administered by the County and its partner agencies.

Finally, to enhance health equity, increase the quality of life for low-income individuals and families, and to prevent households from becoming homeless, Orange County will fund the following CDBG public service activities.

- **Health Services** – comprehensive substance abuse treatment & behavioral health care services for homeless and low- income women; mental health and substance abuse services; and healthcare and wraparound services to uninsured patients to help prevent hospitalizations.
- **Services for the homeless** – housing instability case management and engagement in supportive services ; transitional housing and extended support services for former foster care youth; and case management services provided through a mobile drop-in center.

- **Children services** – childcare and afterschool program for homeless and low-income children; and child care and case management services for homeless children staying at the domestic violence shelter.
- **Services for elderly and persons with disabilities** – in-home meal delivery for homebound low-income seniors; self-sufficiency services for persons with disabilities; and employment training and placement for persons with developmental disabilities.
- **Economic stability and self-sufficiency services** – identification services for homeless and precariously housed/low-income individuals; and case management, financial counseling and crisis intervention for individuals and families on the brink of homelessness.
- **Housing stability and wraparound services** – case management services for homeless persons and individuals at risk of homelessness to help them remain stably housed; housing stability and wraparound services for formerly homeless individuals; and case manager position at the Drop-In Center.

AP-75 Barriers to Affordable Housing – 91.220(j)

Introduction:

Orange County's 2022-2026 Consolidated Plan lists affordable housing as one of its main goals. More specifically, the Consolidated Plan states that the County will expand and preserve housing affordability, safety and stability for low to moderate-income households and vulnerable populations through construction of new affordable housing units, rehabilitation activities, and provision of tenant-based rental assistance and other rental subsidies. Orange County will continue focusing on addressing affordable housing needs, to include barriers to affordable housing, as a goal in this FY 2024-2025 Action Plan.

Orange County, like other counties in Central Florida and across the country, is experiencing an affordable housing crisis that can be attributed to the continuous population increase, changing demographics, historically lower wages associated with the predominance of the tourism industry, and a lack of affordable housing units in the region for both – rent and homeownership. In addition, the long-term effects of the COVID-19 pandemic are still being felt in the Central Florida housing market.

The Gap: A Shortage of Affordable Homes Report, released in March 2024, indicates that in the Orlando Metro Area, for households at 30% and 50% Area Median Income (AMI), only 18 and 24 units of housing are available and affordable for each 100 households in need of housing, respectively. The deficit of affordable units in the region is staggering – with over 90,000 units needed for those at or below 50% AMI. According to the Out of Reach Report (2023), the housing wage needed to afford a 1-bedroom rental unit in Orange County is \$ \$27.35/hour, while the estimated hourly mean renter wage is \$23.86/hour.

Actions it planned to remove or ameliorate the negative effects of public policies that serve as barriers to affordable housing such as land use controls, tax policies affecting land, zoning ordinances, building codes, fees and charges, growth limitations, and policies affecting the return on residential investment

In its 2019 Housing for All 10-Year Action Plan, Orange County's Housing for All Task Force identified several regulatory barriers to affordable housing and residential investment. These regulatory barriers found the zoning code included restrictions on accessory dwelling units, and a need to reduce minimum living area requirements, increase or eliminate household occupancy limits, reduce parking requirements, and allow flexible lot configurations. Since the creation of the plan, the County has amended its zoning code to allow accessory dwelling units by right in all residential zoning districts. Orange County is currently working on Vision 2050, an update to the County's Comprehensive Plan that will create more incentives for production of new housing units, to include missing middle housing types.

Through the Affordable Housing Trust Fund, the Orange County Board of County Commissioners plans to allocate \$16,105,100 in FY 2024-2025 toward the creation of affordable housing stock (at the discretion of the Commission). The Affordable Housing Trust Fund continues to be the County's primary tool for advancing its housing goals, including affordable rental unit creation and missing middle housing creation. Other planned initiatives include the utilization of undeveloped County land to build affordable homeownership units through the County's Surplus Lot Program. The County's Housing and Community Development Division has received the approval of the \$3.5 million revolving loan fund for affordable housing, with expenditures beginning during the program year.

AP-85 Other Actions – 91.220(k)

Introduction:

This section details the County's plans to identify and ensure access to safe and affordable housing for its residents, meet underserved necessities, decrease poverty, cultivate institutional structure, and heighten coordination between public and private sector housing and community development agencies.

Actions planned to address obstacles to meeting underserved needs

The County continually undertakes efforts to build community capacity to meet underserved needs through partner agencies within the community. However, limited staff capacity and financial resources among these agencies remain a primary obstacle. Taking into consideration these limitations, the careful analysis and detailed community engagement represented by the Consolidated Plan process are key to allocating the County's federal funding to the highest-priority needs. The County will continue to use its resources carefully and strategically with a focus on serving the community's priority and critical needs. Additionally, some organizations are reluctant to administer federally funded programs using CDBG, HOME, or ESG funds due to the complex requirements attached to the grant funds. The County will continue to periodically offer training and technical assistance to current and prospective sub-recipient organizations to strengthen their ability to responsibly manage federal funding.

The County will continue to leverage federal, state, and local funds to meet underserved needs by creating and preserving affordable housing units, providing public services and homeless services, and funding capital projects and infrastructure improvements to improve the quality of life for low to moderate-income residents of Orange County.

Actions planned to foster and maintain affordable housing

A lack of affordable housing is a primary obstacle to addressing unmet needs. The County will continue to support its goal of improving housing opportunities by creating and preserving decent, safe, affordable rental and homeownership housing. Through its annual CDBG allocation and SHIP Disaster funding, the County will fund single-family and rental housing rehabilitation activities. To further foster the development of affordable housing, the County's annual HOME allocation will be directed to developers and sub-recipients, including Community Housing Development Organizations (CHDOs), proposing to rehabilitate or build new housing that meets HUD affordability guidelines (applications for CHDO projects are accepted throughout the program year). The HOME allocation will also continue to provide Tenant-Based Rental Assistance and support single-family and rental housing rehabilitation.

The County's Housing Trust Fund, established in 2020, is intended to incentivize the construction and preservation of affordable and attainable housing, encourage missing middle housing types, and meet other housing needs identified by the 10-Year Action Plan. The County projects that a minimum of 6,500 certified affordable units will be produced or preserved in Orange County by 2030 as a result of the Housing Trust Fund. In FY 2024-2025, Trust Fund dollars (General Revenue) will be used to construct the Cornerstone on Sixth, a twenty-four (24) unit affordable townhome development in Apopka. Additionally, 10 homeownership units are expected to be created through the Impact Fee Subsidy Program funded with SHIP and General Revenue dollars, and 200 households are projected to benefit from the Down Payment Assistance Program funded with SHIP dollars.

Actions planned to reduce lead-based paint hazards

An important initiative emanating from HUD in the last decade is the reduction of lead-based paint hazards, and many jurisdictions around the country have focused on reaching this goal. The federal Residential Lead-Based Paint Hazard Reduction Act of 1992 (Title X of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1992) amends the Lead-Based Paint Poisoning Prevention Act of 1971, which is the law covering lead-based paint in federally funded housing. These laws and subsequent regulations issued by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (24 CFR part 35) protect young children from lead-based paint hazards in housing that is financially assisted or being sold by the federal government.

Should the County undertake any property rehabilitation projects, it will assess whether lead-based paint might be present and, if so, follow the guidelines set forth in the Residential Lead-Based Paint Hazard Reduction Act of 1992. The County is committed to testing and abating lead in all pre-1978 housing units assisted with federal grant funds in any of the housing programs it implements.

As appropriate, public service and housing rehab sub-recipient agencies are required to provide information concerning lead hazards to their beneficiaries. The County's CDBG and HOME program staff are trained regarding the implementation of the Lead-Based Paint Rule and implementation of the rule in conjunction with all CDBG and HOME funded rehabilitation projects, as required.

Actions planned to reduce the number of poverty-level families

CDBG, HOME, and ESG funding is integrated into existing programs that address poverty and homelessness by participating agencies and sub-recipients. For example, the County provides CDBG funding to the Health Care Center for the Homeless to support multiple services, including mental health and substance abuse disorder services for low-income residents. ESG funding is directed toward agencies participating in the Central Florida Commission on Homelessness and funds vital services to assist residents living in poverty, including those at risk of becoming homeless and those who are currently homeless and residing at the emergency shelters or living on the streets. Further programs such as job training and placement, case management and crisis intervention, childcare, economic stability and self-sufficiency, housing stability and wraparound services, and programs serving seniors and residents with disabilities reduce the impact of poverty and provide income growth for families living in poverty.

Additionally, similar to prior years, in FY 2024-2025 Orange County plans to utilize CDBG funding for the rehabilitation and improvements to community and/or social service facilities serving limited clientele. For instance, the Coalition for the Homeless of Central Florida, Inc. will receive CDBG funding for the construction of a new emergency shelter for homeless persons; Primrose Center will be funded for the rehabilitation of existing buildings on the agency's campus serving adults with disabilities; and the Salvation Army will be funded for an installation of an elevator at its Men's Emergency Shelter.

Finally, preserving the existing affordable housing stock and adding more units are also important activities contributing to reducing the number of poverty-level families and helping them to avoid homelessness. CDBG dollars, as well as State and local funds, will be used to fund the rehabilitation of units owned by very low and low-income households, who are primarily elderly and persons with disabilities. It is estimated that a total of 260 homeowners will benefit from rehabilitation activities administered by the County and its partner agencies.

Actions planned to develop institutional structure

The Orange County Housing and Community Development Division works in conjunction with community stakeholders, local and regional public service agencies, neighborhood revitalization organizations, and area housing partners who have a mutual interest in CDBG and HOME program goals and objectives. The division partners with these stakeholders on a wide range of programs including the Consolidated Planning process, Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing actions, and the annual budget RFA process.

These community partnerships are part of an effort to assess community and regional needs and to enhance the coordination of community projects and programs. Housing and Community Development continually seeks to broaden these partnerships and identify opportunities to partner with new organizations that further deepen the County's community reach and strengthen the community's social service network.

Furthermore, partnerships between various divisions of Orange County help advance goals related to the production and preservation of affordable housing through the implementation of strategies and initiatives outlined in the Housing for All 10-Year Action Plan and local Affordable Housing Trust Fund Plan, and by making changes to the County's Comprehensive Plan and Land Development Code.

Actions planned to enhance coordination between public and private housing and social service agencies

Public agencies, for-profit, and non-profit private organizations all play a part in the provision of affordable housing, social services, capital improvements, and economic development. However, the lack of financial resources for development, operations, and support services is a significant gap to overcome. By coordinating between agencies and local organizations, the County helps to create a more comprehensive network of services and programs for its residents while reducing duplication and making efficient use of limited financial resources.

The County's Housing and Community Development Division will continue to regularly host and attend meetings with community stakeholders. The County plans to continue to attend monthly general membership meetings and subcommittee meetings with the Central Florida Commission on Homelessness, which helps coordinate services between homeless individuals, homeless providers, and health and mental health organizations. The County staff also participates annually in the Continuum of Care's Point-in-Time count.

Orange County coordinates annually with regional CDBG grantees and public housing authorities when developing an annual action plan. Additionally, the County continues to engage its Community Development Advisory Board (CDAB) and Affordable Housing Advisory Board (AHAB) regarding the implementation of community housing initiatives.

The East Central Florida Regional Planning Council is a key partner for coordination on several critical plans, including the East Central Florida 2060 Plan and the East Central Florida Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDs). Partnerships with the Continuum of Care, which collaborates with partners across the region, are vital in planning for and implementing strategies to address homelessness. Ongoing coordination with these partners will continue to highlight shared goals and opportunities for collaboration throughout the region. Finally, the internal coordination between the County's Housing and Community Development Division and Planning and Neighborhood Services Divisions will enable CDBG and HOME Program funding to advance goals and strategies outlined for eligible LMI areas.

Discussion:

In addition to pursuing goals listed previously in the 2024-2025 Annual Action Plan, the County will advance the strategies described within this section to further improve community conditions for Orange County residents by increasing the capacity of service providers, reducing poverty conditions, addressing lead-based paint hazards, and generally strengthening the structure within which these actions are administered.

PROGRAM SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS

AP-90 Program Specific Requirements – 91.220(I)(1,2,4)

Introduction:

In addition to federal guidelines, there are specific program requirements that a jurisdiction must comply with for projects planned with CDBG, HOME and ESG funds. This section of the Action Plan addresses special conditions and provisions applicable to projects funded under these programs.

Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG) Reference 24 CFR 91.220(I)(1)

Projects planned with all CDBG funds expected to be available during the year are identified in the Projects Table. The following identifies program income that is available for use that is included in projects to be carried out.

| Program Income | |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------|
| 1. The total amount of program income that will have been received before the start of the next program year and that has not yet been reprogrammed | \$0 |
| 2. The amount of proceeds from section 108 loan guarantees that will be used during the year to address the priority needs and specific objectives identified in the grantee's strategic plan | \$0 |
| 3. The amount of surplus funds from urban renewal settlements | \$0 |
| 4. The amount of any grant funds returned to the line of credit for which the planned use has not been included in a prior statement or plan. | \$0 |
| 5. The amount of income from float-funded activities | \$0 |
| Total Program Income | \$0 |

| Other CDBG Requirements | |
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| 1. The amount of urgent need activities | \$0 |
| 2a. The estimated percentage of CDBG funds that will be used for activities that benefit persons of low and moderate income. Overall Benefit – A consecutive period of one, two or three years may be used to determine that a minimum overall benefit of 70% of CDBG funds is used to benefit persons of low and moderate income. Specify the years covered that include this Annual Action Plan. | 100% |
| 2b. Specify the years covered that include this Annual Action Plan. | 2024 Program Year |

**HOME Investment Partnership Program (HOME)
Reference 24 CFR 91.220(l)(2)**

1. A description of other forms of investment being used beyond those identified in Section 92.205 is as follows:

Orange County does not intend to use other forms of investment for the HOME program that are not described in the United States Code of Federal Regulations Title 24, Part 92 Section 92.205(b).

2. A description of the guidelines that will be used for resale or recapture of HOME funds when used for homebuyer activities as required in 92.254, is as follows:

Pursuant to 24 CFR 92.254 Orange County shall recapture HOME funds if the assisted housing does not continue to be the principal residence of the family for duration of the Period of Affordability. If all or any part of the property or any interest in it is sold, rented, refinanced, conveyed, or transferred, the HOME investment in the property shall be recaptured. The amount to be recaptured shall be subject to the available net sales proceeds. Recapture provisions for single-family homeownership and rehabilitation assistance are enforced in the deed and through a promissory note.

Orange County utilizes local SHIP funds for down payment assistance and is not planning to utilize HOME funds for this activity in FY 2024-2025. Under SHIP funds, if the assistance is over \$15,000, there is a ten (10) year lien on the property. When HOME funds are used for down payment assistance, the amount of HOME funds subject to recapture is based on the amount of assistance identified in the note and deed that enabled the homebuyer to purchase the property. The amount of assistance provided shall be recaptured by Orange County in full upon default. In the event of a foreclosure or short sale, or transfer in lieu of foreclosure, recapture provisions will be recovered based on the net proceeds available from the sale as established by the written agreement. In the event that there are no net proceeds from the foreclosure, repayment is not required, and HOME requirements are considered satisfied.

3. A description of the guidelines for resale or recapture that ensures the affordability of units acquired

with HOME funds? See 24 CFR 92.254(a)(4) are as follows:

There are no plans for FY 2024-2025 to utilize HOME funds to acquire affordable units. If HOME funds are used to acquire affordable units, the amount of HOME funds subject to recapture will be based on the amount of assistance identified in the note and deed of the purchased property. The amount of HOME assistance provided shall be recaptured by Orange County in full upon resale, transfer of ownership, abandonment or as established by the written agreement.

4. Plans for using HOME funds to refinance existing debt secured by multifamily housing that is rehabilitated with HOME funds along with a description of the refinancing guidelines required that will be used under 24 CFR 92.206(b), are as follows:

There are no plans to utilize HOME funds to refinance existing debt secured by multifamily housing.

Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) Reference 91.220(l)(4)

1. Include written standards for providing ESG assistance (may include as attachment)

The purpose of the ESG program is to assist with the provision of emergency shelter, housing stabilization and essential services for the homeless individuals and households and those at risk of becoming homeless, to provide street outreach, and to assist with data collection through the Homeless Management Information System (HMIS). Eligible projects and/or activities selected to be funded must be consistent with priorities and needs within Orange County identified in the Consolidated Plan, and, if funded, will become part of an Annual Action Plan.

Eligible Activities and Costs

ESG funds may be used for five program components: street outreach, emergency shelter, homelessness prevention, rapid re-housing assistance, and HMIS; as well as administrative activities (up to 7.5% of a recipient's allocation can be used for administrative activities). More specifically, ESG funds may be used for the following:

- **Street Outreach** – Funds are intended to meet the immediate needs of unsheltered homeless persons by connecting them with emergency shelter, housing, and/or critical health services. Eligible costs and program requirements are provided at 24 CFR 576.101.
- **Emergency Shelter** – Funds may be used for renovation of existing shelters or conversion of buildings to shelters, paying for operating costs, and providing essential services. Eligible costs and program requirements are provided at 24 CFR 576.102.
- **Homelessness Prevention** – Funds are used to prevent a person or family from moving into an emergency shelter or living in a place not meant for human habitation by relocation and stabilization services and short- and/medium-term rental assistance. Eligible costs and program requirements are provided at 24 CFR 576.103.
- **Rapid Re-Housing** – Funds are used to quickly move homeless persons into permanent housing through

housing relocation and stabilization services and short- and/or medium-term rental assistance. Eligible costs and program requirements are provided at 24 CFR 576.104. The rapid re-housing assistance must be provided in accordance with the housing relocation and stabilization services requirements in § 576.105, the short- and medium-term rental assistance requirements in § 576.106, and the written standards and procedures established under § 576.400.

- **Homeless Management Information System (HMIS)** – Funds are used to cover costs associated with management and/or administration of the HMIS and comparable database costs, as specified at 24 CFR 576.107.

Program Eligibility

The minimum eligibility criteria for ESG beneficiaries are as follows: For essential services related to street outreach, beneficiaries must meet the criteria under paragraph (1)(i) of the “homeless” definition under § 576.2. For emergency shelter, beneficiaries must meet the “homeless” definition in 24 CFR 576.2. For essential services related to emergency shelter, beneficiaries must be “homeless” and staying in an emergency shelter (which could include a day shelter). For homelessness prevention assistance, beneficiaries must meet the requirements described in 24 CFR 576.103par. For rapid re-housing assistance, beneficiaries must meet requirements described in 24 CFR 576.104. Further eligibility criteria may be established at the local level in accordance with 24 CFR 576.400(e).

Income Limits

The “Extremely Low Income (ELI) families” limits do NOT apply to ESG. ESG does not use the ELI measure to establish income limits, but instead uses the 30% of Area Median Income (AMI) income limits. Subrecipients must use the 30% AMI table (provided annually by Orange County) to avoid incorrect determination of eligibility for some applicants.

- ESG income eligibility is based on the HUD income limits in effect at the time of income verification, and not on the HUD income limits that correspond with the grant year under which ESG funds were awarded.
- **Rapid Re-housing Income Requirements:** An income assessment is not required during the initial evaluation. At re-evaluation, (not less than once annually), the participant’s household annual income must not exceed 30% of area median family income, as determined by HUD, with adjustments for family size.
- **Homelessness Prevention Income Requirements:** ESG limits eligibility for homelessness prevention assistance to individuals and families with incomes below 30 percent of AMI at intake, and incomes that do not exceed 30 percent of AMI at re-evaluation (not less than once every 3 months).

Recordkeeping and Reporting Requirements

Acceptance into an ESG-funded program and/or activity should be based upon meeting program eligibility, to include meeting definition of homeless, and, when applicable, ESG income limits. All subrecipients are required to document homeless status of program participants at intake. The priority of obtaining such evidence is as follows: third-party documentation first, intake worker observations second, and certification from the person seeking assistance third. However, lack of third-party documentation must not prevent an individual or family from being immediately admitted to emergency shelter, receiving street outreach services, or being

immediately admitted to shelter or receiving services provided by a victim service provider.

HMIS records, or comparable database used by victim service or legal service providers, are acceptable evidence of third-party documentation and intake worker observations when the HMIS retains an auditable history of all entries, including the person who entered the data, the date of entry, and the change made.

Summary of Policies and Procedures for Rapid Re-housing and/or Homelessness Prevention

The homelessness prevention and rapid re-housing assistance must be provided in accordance with the housing relocation and stabilization services requirements in §576.105, the short- and medium-term rental assistance requirements in §576.106, and the written standards and procedures established under §576.400.

The following requirements apply to **housing relocation and stabilization services**:

- a) **Financial assistance costs:** ESG funds may be used to pay rental application fees, security deposits, last month's rent, utility deposits, utility payments, moving costs, and amounts owed for breaking a lease to effect an emergency transfer.
- b) **Services costs:** ESG funds may be used to pay for housing search and placement, housing stability case management, mediation, legal services, and credit repair.
- c) **Maximum amounts and periods of assistance:** except for housing stability case management, the total period for which any program participant may receive the services must not exceed 24 months during any 3-year period. The limits on the assistance under this section apply to the total assistance an individual receives, either as an individual or as part of a family.
- d) **Use with other subsidies:** financial assistance cannot be provided to a program participant who is receiving the same type of assistance through other public sources or to a program participant who has been provided with replacement housing payments under the URA, during the period of time covered by the URA payments.

The following requirements apply to **rental assistance** provided with ESG funds:

- a) A program participant might be provided with up to 24 months of rental assistance during any 3-year period. This assistance may be short-term rental assistance, medium-term rental assistance, payment of rental arrears, or any combination of this assistance.
 - Short-term rental assistance is assistance for up to 3 months of rent.
 - Medium-term rental assistance is assistance for more than 3 months but not more than 24 months of rent.
 - Payment of rental arrears consists of a one-time payment for up to 6 months of rent in arrears, including any late fees on those arrears.
 - Rental assistance may be tenant-based or project-based.
- b) Orange County reserves the right to establish the maximum levels of assistance. Should the County choose to do so, the maximum levels of assistance and any additional information pertaining to the

provision of rental assistance under the rapid re-housing and homelessness prevention programs will be specified in the County's ESG Program Policies and Procedures Manual that is updated regularly.

- c) **Use with other subsidies:** Except for a one-time payment of rental arrears on the tenant's portion of the rental payment, rental assistance cannot be provided to a program participant who is receiving tenant-based rental assistance or living in a housing unit receiving project-based rental assistance or operating assistance, through other public sources.
- d) **Rent restrictions:** rental assistance cannot not exceed the Fair Market Rent established by HUD, and it should comply with HUD's standard of rent reasonableness.
- e) **Late payments:** subrecipients must make timely payments to each owner in accordance with the rental assistance agreement. The subrecipient is solely responsible for paying late payment penalties that it incurs with non-ESG funds.
- f) **Lease:** each program participant receiving rental assistance must have a legally binding, written lease for the rental unit, unless the assistance is solely for rental arrears.
- g) **Changes in household composition:** the limits on assistance under this section apply to the total assistance an individual receives, either as an individual or as part of a family.

Additional Requirements

- **Match:** Urban county recipients must match grant funds with an equal amount of contributions, which may include cash, donated buildings or materials, and volunteer services. For the specific match requirements, see 24 CFR 576.201.
- **Expenditure Limits and Deadlines:** The total amount of the recipient's fiscal year grant that may be used for street outreach and emergency shelter activities cannot exceed the greater of: (1) 60 percent of the recipient's fiscal year grant; or (2) the amount of Fiscal Year 2010 grant funds committed for homeless assistance activities. The total amount of ESG funds that may be used for administrative activities cannot exceed 7.5 percent of the recipient's fiscal year grant. All grant funds must be expended within 24 months after HUD signs the grant agreement with the recipient. Further obligation and expenditure requirements are specified at 24 CFR 576.203.
- **Data Collection and Reporting:** It is a requirement of the ESG that data on all persons served and all activities assisted under ESG are entered into the applicable community-wide HMIS in the area in which those persons and activities are located, or a comparable database, in accordance with HUD's standards on participation, data collection, and reporting under a local HMIS. If the subrecipient is a victim service provider or a legal services provider, it may use a comparable database that collects client-level data over time (i.e., longitudinal data) and generates unduplicated aggregate reports based on the data.
- **Use of the Coordinated Entry System (CES):** ESG regulations require use of a coordinated assessment tool to determine program eligibility and to ensure prioritization of services to those most in need. The local Continuum of Care has developed a Coordinated Entry System (CES) to conduct screening, assessment and referral of program participants consistent with written requirements of various programs being implemented by agencies within the Continuum.
- **Coordination between Service Providers:** On an annual basis, Orange County consults with Homeless Services Network of Central Florida (HSN), a lead agency for the local Continuum of Care (CoC), in determining allocation of ESG funds and developing performance standards and outcomes for projects and

activities assisted under ESG program. The County also solicits input from HSN in reviewing applications for ESG funds received during the annual Request for Applications process, which takes place in March-April of each year. Additionally, all ESG-funded subrecipients are encouraged to participate in relevant CoC meetings and attend subcommittees to ensure coordination of services, avoid duplication, and to provide services in the most efficient manner.

- **Access to Mainstream Services:** Subrecipients receiving ESG funds for emergency shelter, homeless prevention and rapid rehousing should provide program participants with information and assist in accessing the following services if it aids in meeting identified needs of program participants: 211 local information hotline for social services; social security benefits; food stamps assistance; affordable housing database; job training programs; health services; education programs; services for victims of domestic violence; veteran services; etc.
- **Written Standards for Provision of Assistance:** Orange County will require all subrecipients of ESG funds to create agency-level ESG policies and procedures.
- **Protection for Victims of Domestic Violence:** ESG assistance cannot be denied or terminated solely because an applicant or tenant is a victim of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking applied upon enactment of VAWA 2013 on March 7, 2013.
- **Conflict of Interest:** Subrecipients must avoid any conflict of interest in carrying out activities funded by ESG, to include organizational and individual conflicts of interest. Orange County and subrecipients of ESG funds must comply with 2 CFR Parts 200.317 and 200.318 for the procurement of goods and services.
- **Monitoring of Subrecipients:** During the year, the County conducts site-specific monitoring of its ESG-funded agencies and provides technical assistance. Sub-recipients are monitored through desk monitoring, annual reviews, site visits, and contacts by various means, including meetings, correspondence, telephone and e-mail contact. Subrecipients are also required to provide their most recent annual external audit reports and copies of current insurance coverage. To supplement routine desk monitoring procedures, the County's Division conducts formal annual performance reviews of subrecipients of the ESG program.
- **Other Requirements:** All projects by subrecipients will require a project administration agreement that delineates the specific project requirements, including but not limited to, project budget, timelines, payment procedures, project outcomes and records of beneficiaries served within the term of the project agreement. Projects implemented by subrecipients are also subject to all federal requirements including but not limited to ESG regulations, fair housing laws, HUD issued certifications, and standards under 2 CFR Part 200.

During natural disasters, health emergencies, or other unpredicted events, HUD might issue additional waivers for programs administered by the Housing and Community Development Division of Orange County, to include the ESG Program. Should such waivers become available through notices issued by HUD, the County staff will evaluate their potential applicability to projects and activities funded through the ESG Program and apply for such waivers if needed. The subsequent changes to ESG Program Policies and Procedures will be made to reflect such waivers or uncommon situations.

The ESG Program Policies and Procedures Manual is updated regularly by the Housing and Community Development Division's staff, in consultation with the Continuum of Care, and it is available to potential applicants for ESG funds during the application process, and to community partners and stakeholders providing services to homeless individuals and families and those at risk of homelessness. Orange County requires all of

the subrecipients of ESG funds to become familiar with the County's ESG Program Policies and Procedures and to update their agency's policies for ESG-funded program and activities for consistency.

2. **If the Continuum of Care has established centralized or coordinated assessment system that meets HUD requirements, describe that centralized or coordinated assessment system.**

ESG regulations require use of a coordinated assessment tool to determine program eligibility and to ensure prioritization of services to those most in need. The local Continuum of Care has developed a Coordinated Entry System (CES) to conduct screening, assessment and referral of program participants consistent with written requirements of various programs being implemented by agencies within the Continuum. The CES currently effectively conducts referrals into family shelters (using the Shelter Prioritization Tool) and rapid re-housing programs for families. The local Domestic Violence shelter has a different entry process, and the CoC is working with the ESG-funded youth shelter to figure out a more coordinated referral process. There is not a developed and centralized process to rapidly re-house individuals and to conduct referrals into homelessness prevention programs.

Additionally, it is a requirement of the ESG that data on all persons served and all activities assisted under ESG are entered into the applicable community-wide Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) in the area in which those persons and activities are located, or a comparable database, in accordance with HUD's standards on participation, data collection, and reporting under a local HMIS. If the subrecipient is a victim service provider or a legal services provider, it may use a comparable database that collects client-level data over time (i.e., longitudinal data) and generates unduplicated aggregate reports based on the data. Information entered into a comparable database must not be entered directly into or provided to an HMIS.

For all ESG funded providers of emergency shelter, homelessness prevention and rapid rehousing services, Orange County requires monthly HMIS (or compatible database) reports to be submitted as part of the reimbursement requests. Annual performance reporting for all ESG-funded agencies is done using the Sage HMIS Reporting Repository.

3. **Identify the process for making sub-awards and describe how the ESG allocation available to private nonprofit organizations (including community and faith-based organizations).**

The process for making sub-awards under ESG is performed on a competitive basis. Once Orange County receives HUD's funding notification, the Request for Applications (RFA) process begins with a public notice that is published in the local newspapers announcing the expected ESG award and dates for the technical assistance workshops for prospective applicants. The RFA process, which is open for state certified 501(c)(3) organizations who have been in operation for a minimum of two (2) years, lasts approximately 45 to 60 days. Once the applications are received, staff from the Housing and Community Development Division will review the applications and make recommendations for funding to the members of the Community Development Advisory Board (CDAB). It is a general practice to solicit input from the Homeless Services Network of Central Florida, Inc. (HSN), the lead agency for the local CoC, in review of the ESG applications received. HSN is also informed of all of the public hearings and provided with a copy of the draft Action Plan for review and comments, and to distribute the copy to its network of homeless providers and stakeholders.

With many aspects that must be considered in selecting the projects that will be funded with federal funds under the Action Plan, including the Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG), Orange County utilized the following

process to determine if federal funds will be used to fund an activity with ESG:

Step #1: Determine if the activity is eligible in accordance with federal statutes.

Step #2: Determine if any of the proposed activities fall within a category explicitly ineligible (such as assistance for the general conduct of government, political or religious activities paid with HUD funds or others identified in the statutes).

Step #3: Determine if beneficiaries of the project are eligible. The ESG activity benefits eligible homeless persons in accordance with the provisions established in Part 576.2.

Step #4: Review the proposed costs of the activity to determine if they appear to be necessary and reasonable. Conduct a financial risk analysis in accordance with 2 CFR Part 200 Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles and Audit Requirements.

Step #5: Determine if there is a need to fund the project with ESG funds.

Step #6: Determine the organization's experience and capacity to carry out the project.

Step #7: Determine funding availability for the project.

A public hearing is held in the month of June to solicit comments from the public about the recommendations for funding. The Orange County Board of County Commissioners must approve all funding recommendations prior to final submission to HUD, on or before August 15 of any given fiscal year.

4. **If the jurisdiction is unable to meet the homeless participation requirement in 24 CFR 576.405(a), the jurisdiction must specify its plan for reaching out to and consulting with homeless or formerly homeless individuals in considering policies and funding decisions regarding facilities and services funded under ESG.**

Consultation with the Continuum of Care is critical for the development of homeless strategies for the Consolidated Plan and Annual Action Plan. The CoC's lead agency, the Homeless Services Network of Central Florida, Inc., also participates in the evaluation of project proposals. Additionally, recommendations are received from homeless agencies and community networks through our citizen participation process. Other consultations include the Affordable Housing Advisory Board and the Community Development Advisory Board. Both boards are comprised of representatives from each district in Orange County, and an at-large member appointed by the mayor.

Orange County is an active participant of the local CoC, currently known as the Central Florida Commission on Homelessness, and County staff regularly participate in its monthly membership meetings, regional meetings pertaining to homelessness and affordable housing, subcommittees and focus groups to discuss homeless issues that are used in considering policies and funding decisions. Finally, County staff participates reviews of the Continuum-wide ESG policies and standards for a variety of homeless programs and activities.

5. Describe performance standards for evaluating ESG.

Orange County consults with Homeless Services Network of Central Florida, Inc., the lead CoC agency, in creating performance standards for evaluating the proposed ESG programs and activities, to ensure that the funds are spent in the most effective and efficient manner. Additionally, the performance standards aid in determining the subrecipients' success in achieving the following:

- Targeting individuals and families in most need of services and assistance (measured by using the prioritization tools developed by the CoC);
- Reducing the number of individuals and families living on the streets, in places not meant for human habitation, and in emergency shelters (measured by annual Point-in-Time counts of shelters and unsheltered populations);
- Shortening the time individuals and families spent homeless (measured by using HMIS at intake, and the CES tool to prioritize placing qualified individuals and families who are most vulnerable into housing); and
- Reducing housing barriers and improving housing stability of individuals and families (emphasized by the Housing First approach; measured by HMIS/connecting persons to mainstream resources, increasing their income while in the programs, improving self-sufficiency).

These performance standards are intended to complement and contribute to the Continuum of Care program performance measures detailed in Section 427 of the McKinney-Vento Act, as amended by the HEARTH Act, which generally include the following:

- The length of time individuals and families remain homeless;
- The length of time individuals exiting homelessness experience additional spells of homelessness;
- The thoroughness of grantees in the geographic area in reaching homeless individuals and families;
- Overall reduction in the number of homeless individuals and families;
- Jobs and income growth for homeless individuals and families;
- Success at reducing the number of individuals and families who become homeless; and
- Other accomplishments by the recipient related to reducing homelessness.

APPENDIX A: PUBLIC NOTICES

**NOTICE OF FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES – INITIAL ANNOUNCEMENT
TO ALL INTERESTED ORGANIZATIONS, AGENCIES AND PERSONS
ANNUAL ACTION PLAN FISCAL YEAR 2024-2025
FOR FEDERAL GRANT PROGRAMS: COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK
GRANT (B24-UC-12-0003) (CFDA 14.218)
EMERGENCY SOLUTIONS GRANT (E24-UC-12-0003) (CFDA 14.231)
HOME INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIPS PROGRAM (M24-UC-12-0213)
(CFDA 14.239) HOME INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIPS –
AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN PROGRAM
(M21-UP-12-0213) (CFDA 14.239)**

Orange County, through its Housing and Community Development Division, is in the process of developing an Annual Action Plan for the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG), and the HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME) funded by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). The Action Plan lists the activities Orange County intends to pursue through the CDBG, ESG and HOME programs to address the needs that were identified in the 2022-2025 Consolidated Plan, a five-year strategic plan for housing and community development activities in Orange County, Florida.

The primary objective of the CDBG program is the development of viable urban communities by providing decent housing, a suitable living environment and expanding economic opportunities for persons of low to moderate income. The primary objective of the ESG program is the provision of housing stabilization and services to homeless individuals and families. The primary objective of the HOME program is the provision of decent affordable housing to low-income households and leveraging of efforts to preserve and expand affordable housing stock.

Additionally, The American Rescue Act, which was signed into law on March 11, 2021, provided federal funding to address the continued impact of the COVID-19 pandemic. A portion of funds, known as the HOME-ARP, was specifically set aside to address the need for homeless assistance and supportive services. The Orange County HOME-ARP Allocation Plan (approved in 2021) allocates \$1,000,000 for provision of supportive services to participants of the HOME Tenant Based Rental Assistance Program (TBRA) and other qualifying populations.

Orange County anticipates receiving the following formula allocations for eligible activities and grant administration: CDBG – \$7,950,000, ESG – \$435,742, and HOME – \$1,000,744. Under HOME-ARP, an initial allocation of \$500,000 for FY 2023-2024 and FY 2024-2025 has been designated for supportive housing services for HOME-ARP clients and homeless individuals as part of this allocation.

The Request for Applications (RFA) process will begin on **Tuesday, March 5, 2024**, and will end on **Tuesday, April 9, 2024, at 5:00 p.m.** for state certified 501(c)(3) organizations, public entities, corporations participating in Orange County's Urban County program, and non-governmental organizations. Proposals will be reviewed for consistency with federal regulations, priority needs, feasibility of the proposal, and other criteria outlined in the RFA.

The priorities for FY 2024-2025 are aligned with the 2022-2025 Consolidated Plan goals and include the following: 1) Expand and preserve housing affordability, safety, and stability for low to moderate-income households and vulnerable populations, 2) Transform low to moderate-income communities into resilient communities, and 3) Work in collaboration with local government agencies, nonprofit organizations, and industry partners to eradicate and prevent homelessness. Please note that priority consideration will be given to multi-year projects already in implementation, projects that can be implemented in the least amount of time or "shovel ready", and projects that prove to provide a direct benefit to limited clientele (preserved low-income populations in accordance with HUD) and low-income populations.

As required by federal guidelines, Orange County has in place a framework for allocating the risks posed by the projects before they receive federal awards. This allocation incorporates capacity of the applicant to carry out the project, financial stability of the organization, quality of management systems, applicant's record in managing federal awards, results and findings from audits and the quality of the application.

Proposals are specifically requested for the following categories:

1. **CDBG Public Services** – Services for low to moderate-income populations and limited clientele, such as seniors and disabled residents, which contribute to their self-sufficiency and economic stability.
2. **ESG Homeless Services** – Funding for the operation of homeless shelters, street outreach, homeless prevention and rapid re-housing services.
3. **HOME-ARP Supportive Services** – Services include job training and placement, case management and housing search, life skills training, and mental health services for HOME-ARP clients and other qualified populations. This is a new program and attendance is mandatory for entities applying for HOME-ARP funds.
4. **CDBG Capital Improvements and Infrastructure Projects** – Funding for capital improvement projects and infrastructure in low-income neighborhoods, renovation and/or construction of public facilities serving low-income populations. Priority will be given to Orange County's multi-year projects.
5. **CDBG/HOME Housing Projects** – Funding for experienced non-profit organizations for projects that create or preserve affordable housing and housing projects for individuals with special needs.

The pre-award technical assistance workshops will be conducted in person on **Thursday, March 14, 2024**, at the Orange County Administration Building (Commission Chambers, 1st Floor) located at 211 S. Reid Street, Orlando, Florida 32801. The workshop will be conducted as follows:

- CDBG Public Services/ESG Homeless Services/HOME-ARP Supportive Services - 9:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.
- CDBG Capital Improvements Projects, public facilities, and housing projects - 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

The workshops will provide technical assistance and information about funding criteria for project submissions and details about the application process. Organizations interested in submitting proposals are strongly encouraged to attend the workshops. To confirm attendance, please e-mail Cystra.Lordan@ocfl.net.

The link to access the Application is <https://www.ocfl.net/ocfl/housing/CommunityDevelopment.aspx>

The application must be completed and submitted online through [complan.com](https://www.complan.com). No paper copies will be accepted. If you experience difficulty during the RFA, you may contact: Robert.Barnes@ocfl.net for additional information and assistance.

All funding recommendations are contingent upon the Board of County Commissioners' approval and HUD's final approval of the Annual Action Plan. Orange County reserves the right to accept or reject any or all applications, and to fund applications that best serve the interest of Orange County. If you have additional questions about the RFA process and requirements, please contact Jenna Solorzano, Chief Planner, at (407) 836-0963, or via email at Jenna.Solorzano@ocfl.net.

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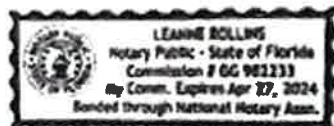
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El Condado de Orange, a través de su División de Vivienda y Desarrollo Comunitario, está en proceso de desarrollar un Plan de Acción Anual para la Subvención en Bloque para el Desarrollo Comunitario (CDBG), la Subvención para Soluciones de Emergencia (ESG) y el Programa de Asociaciones de Inversión HOME (HOME) financiado por el Departamento de Vivienda y Desarrollo Urbano de los Estados Unidos (HUD). El Plan de Acción enumera las actividades que el Condado de Orange llevará a cabo a través de los programas CDBG, ESG y HOME para abordar las necesidades que se identificaron en el Plan Consolidado 2022-2026, un plan estratégico de cinco años para actividades de vivienda y desarrollo comunitario en el Condado de Orange, Florida.

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**PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE
2024-2025 ANNUAL ACTION PLAN**

A public hearing will be conducted on June 19, 2024, at 6:00 p.m., at the Largo Training Room located on the First Floor of the Orange County Internal Operations Center I (450 E. South St., Orlando, Florida 32801). Representatives from the Orange County Housing and Community Development Division and the Community Development Advisory Board will conduct the public hearing to receive citizen comments on the priority needs and proposed activities to be included in the 2024-2025 Annual Action Plan. All citizen comments received will be incorporated into the final document in accordance to 24 CFR Part 91, and submitted to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) on or about August 15, 2024.

The Action Plan is the annual operating plan designed to identify specific activities that Orange County intends to pursue through the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME), Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG), and other state and local housing and community development programs, to address the objectives identified in the 2022-2026 Orange County Consolidated Plan. The Action Plan will cover the period starting October 1, 2024, through September 30, 2025. A list of proposed activities and anticipated funding sources included in the 2024-2025 Annual Action Plan are provided below.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) (B24UC120003)

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS

Construction of Public Facilities

Coalition for the Homeless of Central Florida, Inc.
(Woman & Children Shelter – site improvements) \$ 1,024,092

Rehabilitation of Public Facilities

Aspro Health Partners, Inc. (Kassab Plaza – roof replacement) \$ 203,538
 Central Florida Family Health Center, Inc. (Naraya facility flooring) \$ 70,825
 Pinerose Center, Inc. (Storm shelter for adults with disabilities) \$ 628,564
 The Salvation Army (Men's Shelter – modernization) \$ 929,529
 Town of Eatonville CRA (Eatonville Works – facility improvements) \$ 447,880
Total Capital Improvement Projects \$ 3,370,219

HOUSING PROJECTS

Single Family Rehabilitation
 Homeowners Single Family Rehabilitation \$ 1,000,000
 Housing Rehabilitation Administration \$ 401,278
Total Housing Projects \$ 1,401,278

PUBLIC SERVICES

Ability Housing, Inc. \$ 45,000
 Aspro Health Partners, Inc. \$ 80,000
 Boys and Girls Clubs of Central Florida, Inc. \$ 50,000
 Catholic Charities of Central Florida, Inc. \$ 40,000
 Community Coordinated Care for Children, Inc. \$ 180,000
 Covenant House Florida, Inc. \$ 40,000
 Grand Avenue Economic Community Development Corp. \$ 40,000
 Grand Avenue Economic Community Dev. Corp. (Job Pathways Drop-In Center) \$ 44,543
 Harbor House of Central Florida, Inc. \$ 45,000
 Health Care Center for the Homeless, Inc. \$ 80,000
 IDignity, Inc. \$ 45,000
 IMPOWER, Inc. \$ 42,000
 Jewish Family Services of Greater Orlando, Inc. \$ 58,000
 Life Concepts, Inc. (Kids Quest) \$ 80,000
 Pinerose Center, Inc. \$ 80,000
 SALT Outreach, Inc. \$ 45,000
 Santos First, Inc. (Meats on Wheels) \$ 155,000
 Shepherd's Hope, Inc. \$ 50,000
Total Public Services \$ 1,098,543

ADMINISTRATION

Fair Housing Activities and Training \$ 20,000
 General Administration \$ 1,447,750
Total Administration \$ 1,467,750

TOTAL CDBG BUDGET \$ 7,238,797

HOME INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIPS PROGRAM (HOME) (B24UC120213)

Tenant Based Rental Assistance \$ 1,400,000
 Homeowners Single Family Rehabilitation \$ 300,000
 Rental Housing Rehabilitation \$ 247,866
 Community Housing Development Organizations \$ 389,572
 Administration \$ 259,714
TOTAL HOME BUDGET \$ 2,597,142

EMERGENCY SOLUTIONS GRANT (ESG) (E24UC120003)

SHELTER OPERATIONS

Coalition for the Homeless of Central Florida, Inc. \$ 133,000
 Family Promise of Greater Orlando, Inc. \$ 53,000
 Harbor House of Central Florida, Inc. \$ 83,000
 The Salvation Army \$ 73,000
Total Shelter Operations \$ 342,000

STREET OUTREACH

Covenant House Florida, Inc. \$ 45,500
Total Street Outreach \$ 45,500

HOMELESSNESS PREVENTION SERVICES

Cristian Service Center of Central Florida, Inc. \$ 88,202
 Family Promise of Greater Orlando, Inc. \$ 100,000
Total Homelessness Prevention \$ 188,202

HOMELESS MANAGEMENT INFORMATION SYSTEM (HMIS)

Homeless Services Network of Central Florida, Inc. \$ 20,000
Total HMIS \$ 20,000

ESG ADMINISTRATION (-8.2%) \$ 49,120

TOTAL ESG BUDGET \$ 646,988

TOTAL 2024-2025 ACTION PLAN BUDGET \$ 10,581,927

The public will have the opportunity to review and comment on the proposed Action Plan beginning Wednesday, June 12, 2024, through Friday, July 12, 2024. The draft document will be available for review at the following locations and online:

Orange County Housing and Community Development Division, 625 E. South Street, Orlando, FL 32801 • (407) 836-5150

Orange County Public Library, Planning and Local Government Section, Third Floor, 101 E. Central Ave., Orlando, FL 32801

Orange County Housing and Community Development web page: <http://www.ocfl.net/Neighbors-Housing/CommunityDevelopment.aspx>

All comments regarding these documents should be submitted to:

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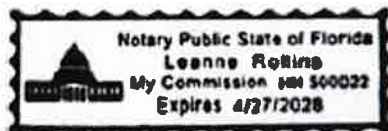
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AVISO DE AUDIENCIA PÚBLICA

PLAN DE ACCIÓN ANUAL 2024-2025

Se llevará a cabo una audiencia pública el 19 de junio de 2024, a las 6:00 p.m., en el Salón de Capacitación Largo ubicado en el Primer Piso del Centro de Operaciones Internas del Condado de Orange I (450 E. South St, Orlando, Florida 32801).

Representantes de la División de Vivienda y Desarrollo Comunitario del Condado de Orange y de la Junta Asesora de Desarrollo Comunitario llevarán a cabo la audiencia pública para recibir comentarios de los ciudadanos sobre las necesidades prioritarias y las actividades propuestas que se incluirán en el Plan de Acción Anual 2024-2025. Todos los comentarios de los ciudadanos recibidos se incorporarán al documento final de acuerdo con 24 CFR Parte 91 y se enviarán al Departamento de Vivienda y Desarrollo Urbano de los Estados Unidos (HUD, por sus siglas en inglés) el 15 de agosto de 2024 o alrededor de esa fecha.

El Plan de Acción es el plan operativo anual diseñado para identificar actividades específicas que el Condado de Orange tiene la intención de llevar a cabo a través de la Subvención en Bloque para el Desarrollo Comunitario (CDBG), el Programa de Asociaciones de Inversión (HOME), la Subvención para Soluciones de Emergencia (ESG) y otros programas estatales y locales de vivienda y desarrollo comunitario, para abordar los objetivos identificados en el Plan Consolidado del Condado de Orange 2022-2026. El Plan de Acción cubrirá el período comprendido entre el 1 de octubre de 2024 y el 30 de septiembre de 2025. A continuación se proporciona una lista de las actividades propuestas y las fuentes de financiación previstas incluidas en el Plan de Acción Anual 2024-2025.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (B24UC120003)

PROYECTOS DE MEJORAS DE CAPITAL

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| <i>Construcción de Instalaciones Públicas</i> | |
| Coalition for the Homeless of Central Florida, Inc. (Refugio para Mujeres y niños – Mejoras al refugio) | \$1,024,092 |

Rehabilitación de Instalaciones Públicas

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| Aspire Health Partners, Inc. (Kassab Plaza – Reemplazo de techo) | \$263,538 |
| Central Florida Family Health Center, Inc. (Pisos en la instalación de Alafaya) | \$76,626 |
| Primrose Center, Inc. (Refugio contra tormentas para adultos con discapacidades) | \$628,554 |
| The Salvation Army (Men’s Shelter – modernización) | \$929,529 |
| Town of Eatonville CRA (Eatonville Works – Mejoras en la infraestructura) | \$447,880 |
| Total de Proyectos de Mejoras de Capital | \$3,370,219 |

PROYECTOS DE VIVIENDA

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| Rehabilitación de viviendas unifamiliar | |
| Rehabilitación de viviendas unifamiliares para propietarios | \$1,000,000 |
| Administración | \$401,276 |
| Total de Proyectos de Vivienda | \$1,401,276 |

SERVICIOS PÚBLICOS

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| Ability Housing, Inc. | \$45,000 |
| Aspire Health Partners, Inc. | \$60,000 |
| Boys and Girls Clubs of Central Florida, Inc. | \$50,000 |
| Catholic Charities of Central Florida, Inc. | \$40,000 |
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| Jewish Family Services of Greater Orlando, Inc. | \$8,000 |
| Life Concepts, Inc. (dba Quest) | \$60,000 |
| Primrose Center, Inc. | \$60,000 |

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| SALT Outreach, Inc. | \$45,000 |
| Seniors First, Inc. (Meals on Wheels) | \$155,000 |
| Shepherd's Hope, Inc. | \$50,000 |
| Total de Servicios Públicos | \$1,099,543 |

ADMINISTRACIÓN DE CDBG

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| Capacitación y actividades para la vivienda justa | \$20,000 |
| Administración General | \$1,447,759 |
| Total de Administración | \$1,467,759 |
| TOTAL CDBG | \$7,338,797 |

HOME INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIPS PROGRAM (HOME) (M24UC120213)

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| Ayuda inmobiliaria para discapacitados | \$1,400,000 |
| Rehabilitación para los propietarios de viviendas unifamiliares | \$300,000 |
| Rehabilitación de la vivienda de alquiler | \$247,856 |
| Organizaciones Comunitarias de Desarrollo de Viviendas (CHDOs) | \$389,572 |
| Administración | \$259,714 |
| TOTAL HOME | \$2,597,142 |

EMERGENCY SOLUTIONS GRANT (ESG) (E24UC120003) OPERACIONES DE CENTROS DE REFUGIOS

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| Coalition for the Homeless of Central Florida, Inc. | \$133,000 |
| Family Promise of Greater Orlando, Inc. | \$53,000 |
| Harbor House of Central Florida, Inc. | \$83,000 |
| The Salvation Army | \$73,000 |
| Total de Operaciones de Centros de Refugios | \$342,000 |

DIVULGACION DE SERVICIOS EN LAS CALLES

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| Covenant House Florida, Inc. | \$45,500 |
| Total Divulgacion de Servicios En las Calles | \$45,500 |

SERVICIOS DE PREVENCIÓN PARA PERSONAS EN RIESGO DE PERDER SU HOGAR

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| Christian Service Center of Central Florida, Inc. | \$98,362 |
| Family Promise of Greater Orlando, Inc. | \$100,000 |
| Total Servicios de Prevención Para Personas en Riesgo de Perder Su Hogar | \$198,362 |

SISTEMAS INFORMATIVOS HOMELESS MANAGEMENT INFORMATION SYSTEM (HMIS)

Homeless Services Network

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| of Central Florida, Inc | \$20,000 |
| Total HMIS | \$20,000 |

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| ADMINISTRACIÓN de ESG (~6.2%) | \$40,126 |
| TOTAL ESG | \$645,988 |

PRESUPUESTO TOTAL DEL PLAN DE ACCIÓN ANUAL 2024-2025 \$10,581,927

El público tendrá la oportunidad de revisar y comentar sobre el Plan de Acción propuesto a partir del miércoles 12 de junio de 2024 hasta el viernes 12 de julio de 2024. El borrador del documento estará disponible para su revisión en los siguientes lugares y en línea:

Orange County Housing and Community Development Division. 525 E. South Street, Orlando, FL 32801. (407) 836-5150

Orange County Public Library

Planning and Local Government Section, Third Floor. 101 E. Central Ave. Orlando, FL 32801

Página web del Orange County Housing and Community Development: <http://www.ocfl.net/NeighborsHousing/CommunityDevelopment.aspx>

Todos los comentarios relacionados con estos documentos deben presentarse ante:

Janna Souvorova, Ph.D., AICP, Chief Planner. Housing and Community Development Division. 525 E. South Street, Orlando, FL 32801. Phone: (407) 836-0963. E-mail: Janna.Souvorova@ocfl.net

La Sección 286.0105 de los Estatutos de la Florida establece que si una persona decide apelar cualquier decisión hecha por una junta, agencia o comisión relacionada con cualquier asunto tratado en una reunión o audiencia, dicha persona necesitará registro de los procedimientos, y que, para dicho fin, tendrá que asegurar que se realice un registro textual de los procedimientos, dicho registro debe incluir el testimonio y la evidencia sobre los que se basará la apelación.

De acuerdo con la Ley de Estadounidenses con Discapacidades (ADA), si alguna persona con una discapacidad según la definición de la ADA necesita adaptaciones especiales para participar en este procedimiento, a más tardar dos días hábiles antes del procedimiento, debe comunicarse con el División de Vivienda y Desarrollo Comunitario al 407-836-5150.

Para mayor información en español, por favor llame al 407-836-5150.

Pou plis enfòmasyon an Kreyòl, souple rele (407) 836-3111.





Affidavit of Performance

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|------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------|
| Agency Name | Client Name (Advertiser) Housing and Community Development |
| Size/Quantity Two Full Page (9.625" x 11") | Insertion Date(s) 06-06-24 |
| Community/Additional Information | Newspaper La Prensa Orlando |

I verify that the ad(s)/inserts described above was/were inserted in the above named publication on the dates(s) shown.

Name (print) Maritza Beltrán

Signature 

Title 6/6/24 

APPENDIX B: CITIZEN PARTICIPATION COMMENTS AND RESPONSE

To encourage public participation in community development activities throughout Orange County, and in keeping with HUD requirements, Orange County established a Citizen Participation Plan, the latest version of which was adopted in November of 2023. The County utilizes a designated process based on this plan to determine community development needs and identify activities that can address these needs through federally funded housing and community development programs.

The County held a 30-day comment period from June 12, 2024 to July 12, 2024 and invited members of the public to attend a public hearing before the Community Development Advisory Board on June 19, 2024 to receive input from the residents and stakeholders on the draft Annual Action Plan prior to approval by the Board of County Commissioners and submission to HUD.

No comments were received on the draft Annual Action Plan during the public comment period.

APPENDIX C: FY 2024-2025 ANNUAL ACTION PLAN BUDGET

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) (B24UC120003)

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS

Construction of Public Facilities

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| Coalition for the Homeless of Central Florida, Inc. (Women & Children Shelter – site improvements) | \$1,024,092.00 |
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Rehabilitation of Public Facilities

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| Aspire Health Partners, Inc. (Kassab Plaza – roof replacement) | \$ 263,538.00 |
| Central Florida Family Health Center, Inc. (Alafaya facility flooring) | \$ 76,626.00 |
| Primrose Center, Inc. (Storm shelter for adults w/disabilities) | \$ 628,554.00 |
| The Salvation Army (Men’s Shelter – modernization) | \$ 929,529.00 |
| Town of Eatonville CRA (Eatonville Works – facility improvements) | <u>\$ 447,880.00</u> |

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| Total Capital Improvement Projects | <u>\$3,370,219.00</u> |
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HOUSING PROJECTS

Single Family Rehabilitation

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| Homeowners Single Family Rehabilitation | <u>\$1,160,000.00</u> |
| Housing Rehabilitation Administration | <u>\$ 401,276.00</u> |

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| Total Housing Projects | <u>\$1,561,276.00</u> |
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PUBLIC SERVICES

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| Ability Housing, Inc. | \$ 45,000.00 |
| Aspire Health Partners, Inc. | \$ 60,000.00 |
| Boys and Girls Clubs of Central Florida, Inc. | \$ 50,000.00 |
| Catholic Charities of Central Florida, Inc. | \$ 40,000.00 |
| Covenant House Florida, Inc. | \$ 40,000.00 |
| Grand Avenue Economic Comm. Dev. Corp. | \$ 40,000.00 |
| Grand Avenue Econ. Comm. Dev. Corp. (dba Pathways Drop-In Center) | \$ 44,543.00 |
| Harbor House of Central Florida, Inc. | \$ 45,000.00 |
| Health Care Center for the Homeless, Inc. | \$ 60,000.00 |
| IDignity, Inc. | \$ 45,000.00 |
| IMPOWER, Inc. | \$ 42,000.00 |
| Jewish Family Services of Greater Orlando, Inc. | \$ 58,000.00 |
| Life Concepts (dba Quest), Inc. | \$ 60,000.00 |
| Primrose Center, Inc. | \$ 60,000.00 |
| SALT Outreach, Inc. | \$ 45,000.00 |
| Seniors First, Inc. (Meals on Wheels) | \$ 155,000.00 |
| Shepherd’s Hope, Inc. | <u>\$ 50,000.00</u> |
| Total Public Services | <u>\$ 939,543.00</u> |

ADMINISTRATION

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| Fair Housing Activities and Training | \$ 20,000.00 |
| General Administration | <u>\$1,447,759.00</u> |
| Total Administration | \$1,467,759.00 |
| <i>TOTAL CDBG BUDGET</i> | <i>\$7,338,797.00</i> |

HOME INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIPS PROGRAM (HOME) (M24UC120213)

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|---------------------------------------------|------------------------------|
| Tenant Based Rental Assistance | \$1,400,000.00 |
| Homeowners Single Family Rehabilitation | \$ 300,000.00 |
| Rental Housing Rehabilitation | \$ 247,856.00 |
| Community Housing Development Organizations | \$ 389,572.00 |
| Administration | <u>\$ 259,714.10</u> |
| <i>TOTAL HOME BUDGET</i> | <i>\$2,597,142.10</i> |

EMERGENCY SOLUTIONS GRANT (ESG) (E24UC120003)**SHELTER OPERATIONS**

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| Coalition for the Homeless of Central Florida, Inc. | \$ 133,000.00 |
| Family Promise of Greater Orlando, Inc. | \$ 53,000.00 |
| Harbor House of Central Florida, Inc. | \$ 83,000.00 |
| The Salvation Army | <u>\$ 73,000.00</u> |
| Total Shelter Operations | \$ 342,000.00 |

STREET OUTREACH

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| Covenant House Florida, Inc. | <u>\$ 45,500.00</u> |
| Total Street Outreach | \$ 45,500.00 |

HOMELESSNESS PREVENTION SERVICES

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| Cristian Service Center of Central Florida, Inc. | \$ 98,362.00 |
| Family Promise of Greater Orlando, Inc. | <u>\$ 100,000.00</u> |
| Total Homelessness Prevention | \$ 198,362.00 |

HOMELESS MANAGEMENT INFORMATION SYSTEM (HMIS)

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|----------------------------------------------------|---------------------|
| Homeless Services Network of Central Florida, Inc. | <u>\$ 20,000.00</u> |
| Total HMIS | \$ 20,000.00 |

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| ESG ADMINISTRATION (~6.2%) | <u>\$ 40,126.00</u> |
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| <i>TOTAL ESG BUDGET</i> | <i>\$ 645,988.00</i> |
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| TOTAL 2024-2025 ACTION PLAN BUDGET | \$10,581,927.10 |
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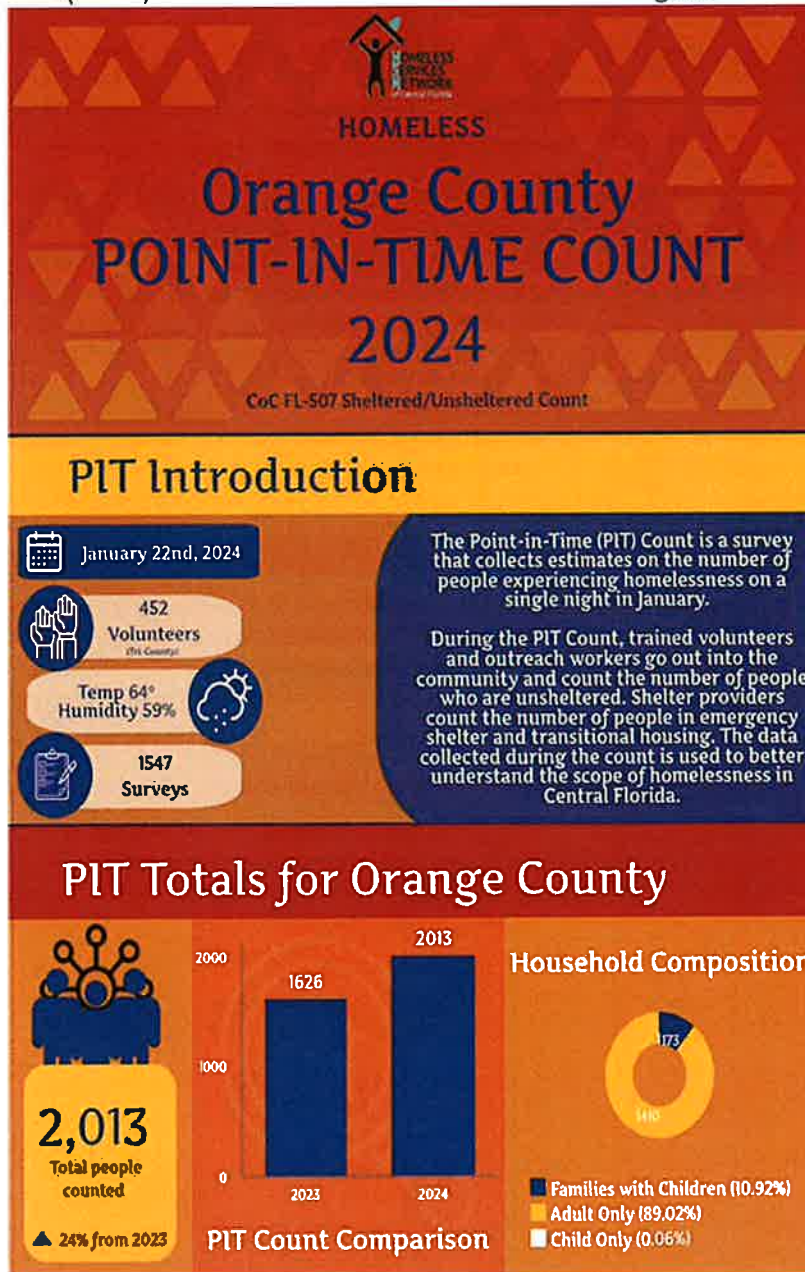
REPROGRAMMED CDBG FUNDS (prior to 2024)

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| <i>Construction of Public facilities</i> | |
| Coalition for the Homeless of Central Florida, Inc. (Women & Children Shelter – site improvements) | \$ 975,908.00 |
| <i>Rental Housing Rehabilitation</i> | |
| Orlando Neighborhood Improvement Corp. (Maitland Oaks Apartments – door & window replacement) | \$ 614,852.00 |
| TOTAL REPROGRAMMED CDBG FUNDS | \$1,590,760.00 |

FINAL 2024-2025 ACTION PLAN BUDGET (including reprogrammed funds) \$12,172,687.10

APPENDIX D: 2024 POINT-IN-TIME COUNT – ORANGE COUNTY, FL

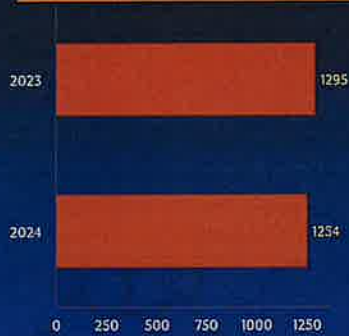
As the lead agency for the Orange, Osceola, and Seminole counties Continuum of Care, the Homeless Services Network of Central Florida, Inc. conducts a single-day Point-in-Time (PIT) count for sheltered and unsheltered persons and works to ensure the Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) delivers data needed for HUD and local government reporting.



PIT Subpopulations



Sheltered Count



Insights

The COVID-19 pandemic impacted the number of people in shelter. Policies intended to reduce the spread of the virus limited capacity in traditional shelters. Central Florida responded by increasing resources available for non-congregate shelter options via ESG-CV funding.

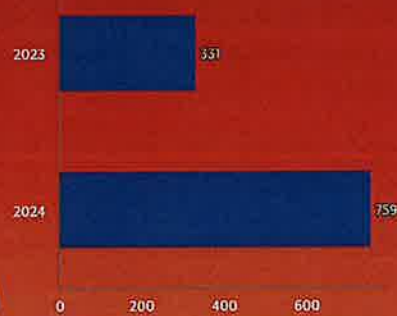
As a result, our sheltered population has returned to pre-pandemic levels.

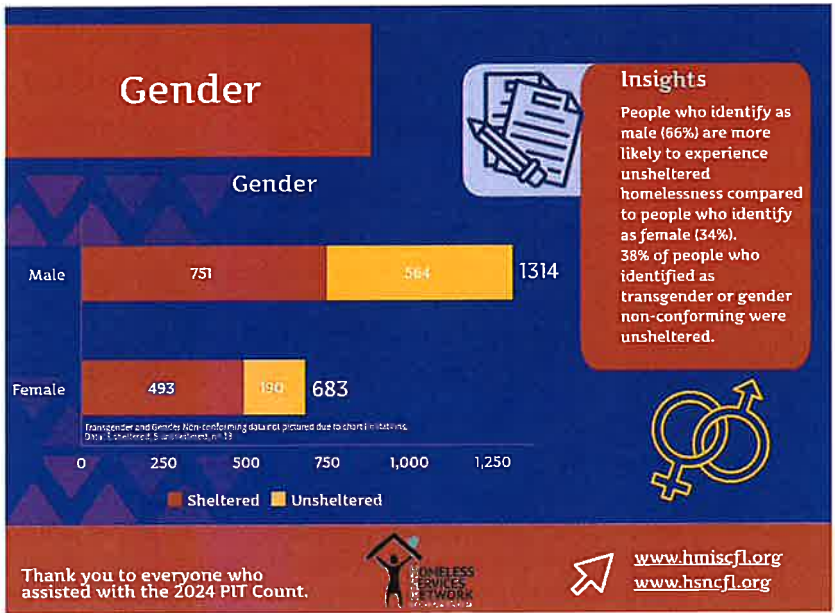
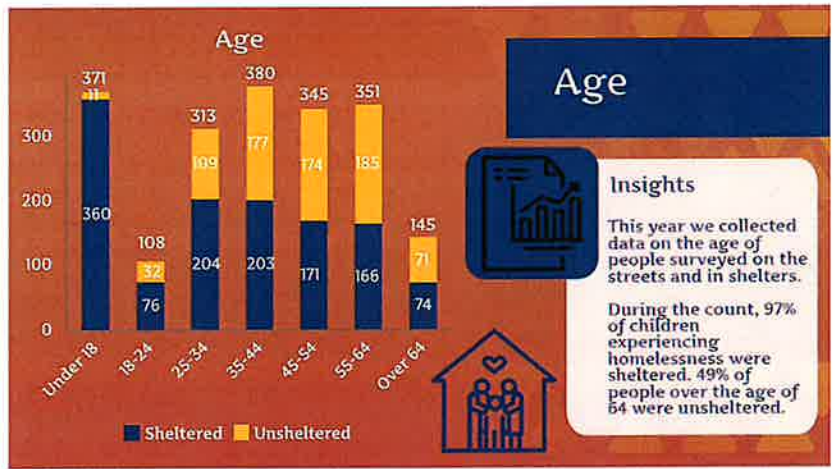
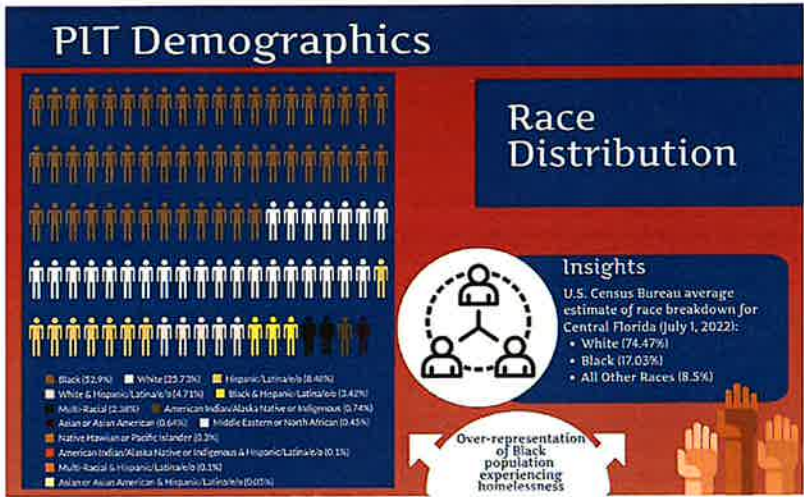
Unsheltered Count

Insights

The number of people experiencing unsheltered homelessness increased by 130% from 2023 to 2024. The number of volunteers for this year's PIT increased by 400% (+355 people) which resulted in a 238% increase in completed surveys.

The primary driver of the increase in unsheltered homelessness is the continuing lack of affordable housing coupled with rising rents and high eviction rates.





GRANTEE CERTIFICATIONS AND SF-424 FORMS

| Application for Federal Assistance SF-424 | | |
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| * 1. Type of Submission: <input type="checkbox"/> Preapplication <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Application <input type="checkbox"/> Changed/Corrected Application | * 2. Type of Application: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> New <input type="checkbox"/> Continuation <input type="checkbox"/> Revision | * If Revision, select appropriate letter(s): <input type="text"/> * Other (Specify): <input type="text"/> |
| * 3. Date Received: 08/15/2024 | 4. Applicant Identifier: 200206122180C | |
| 5a. Federal Entity Identifier: <input type="text"/> | 5b. Federal Award Identifier: <input type="text"/> | |
| State Use Only: | | |
| 6. Date Received by State: <input type="text"/> | 7. State Application Identifier: <input type="text"/> | |
| 8. APPLICANT INFORMATION: | | |
| * a. Legal Name: Orange County Board of County Commissioners | | |
| * b. Employer/Taxpayer Identification Number (EIN/TIN): 59-6000773 | * c. UEI: ZAMZMX9ZHCM9 | |
| d. Address: | | |
| * Street1: 525 E. South Street | Street2: <input type="text"/> | |
| * City: Orlando | County/Parish: <input type="text"/> | |
| * State: FL: Florida | Province: <input type="text"/> | |
| * Country: USA: UNITED STATES | * Zip / Postal Code: 32801-1393 | |
| e. Organizational Unit: | | |
| Department Name: Planning, Env and Dev Services | Division Name: Housing and Community Developm | |
| f. Name and contact information of person to be contacted on matters involving this application: | | |
| Prefix: Mr. | * First Name: Mitchell | |
| Middle Name: L. | * Last Name: Glasser | |
| Suffix: <input type="text"/> | Title: Division Manager | |
| Organizational Affiliation: County Division | | |
| * Telephone Number: 407-836-5190 | Fax Number: 407-836-5114 | |
| * Email: Mitchell.Glasser@ocfl.net | | |

Application for Federal Assistance SF-424

*** 9. Type of Applicant 1: Select Applicant Type:**

B: County Government

Type of Applicant 2: Select Applicant Type:

Type of Applicant 3: Select Applicant Type:

* Other (specify):

*** 10. Name of Federal Agency:**

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

11. Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Number:

14.218

CFDA Title:

Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)/Entitlement Grant

*** 12. Funding Opportunity Number:**

B24UC120003

* Title:

Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)

13. Competition Identification Number:

Title:

14. Areas Affected by Project (Cities, Counties, States, etc.):

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*** 15. Descriptive Title of Applicant's Project:**

Capital Improvement Projects, Housing Projects, Infrastructure Improvements, Public Services, and Administration

Attach supporting documents as specified in agency instructions.

Add Attachments

Delete Attachments

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Application for Federal Assistance SF-424

16. Congressional Districts Of:

* a. Applicant

* b. Program/Project

Attach an additional list of Program/Project Congressional Districts if needed.

17. Proposed Project:

* a. Start Date:

* b. End Date:

18. Estimated Funding (\$):

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| * a. Federal | <input type="text" value="7,338,797.00"/> |
| * b. Applicant | <input type="text" value="0.00"/> |
| * c. State | <input type="text" value="0.00"/> |
| * d. Local | <input type="text" value="0.00"/> |
| * e. Other | <input type="text" value="0.00"/> |
| * f. Program Income | <input type="text" value="0.00"/> |
| * g. TOTAL | <input type="text" value="7,338,797.00"/> |

*** 19. Is Application Subject to Review By State Under Executive Order 12372 Process?**

- a. This application was made available to the State under the Executive Order 12372 Process for review on
- b. Program is subject to E.O. 12372 but has not been selected by the State for review.
- c. Program is not covered by E.O. 12372.

*** 20. Is the Applicant Delinquent On Any Federal Debt? (If "Yes," provide explanation in attachment.)**

Yes No

If "Yes", provide explanation and attach

21. *By signing this application, I certify (1) to the statements contained in the list of certifications and (2) that the statements herein are true, complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I also provide the required assurances** and agree to comply with any resulting terms if I accept an award. I am aware that any false, fictitious, or fraudulent statements or claims may subject me to criminal, civil, or administrative penalties. (U.S. Code, Title 18, Section 1001)**

** I AGREE

** The list of certifications and assurances, or an internet site where you may obtain this list, is contained in the announcement or agency specific instructions.

Authorized Representative:

Prefix: * First Name:
Middle Name:
* Last Name:
Suffix:

* Title:

* Telephone Number: Fax Number:

* Email:

* Signature of Authorized Representative: * Date Signed:

ASSURANCES - CONSTRUCTION PROGRAMS

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NOTE: Certain of these assurances may not be applicable to your project or program. If you have questions, please contact the Awarding Agency. Further, certain Federal assistance awarding agencies may require applicants to certify to additional assurances. If such is the case, you will be notified.

As the duly authorized representative of the applicant, I certify that the applicant:

1. Has the legal authority to apply for Federal assistance, and the institutional, managerial and financial capability (including funds sufficient to pay the non-Federal share of project costs) to ensure proper planning, management and completion of project described in this application.
2. Will give the awarding agency, the Comptroller General of the United States and, if appropriate, the State, the right to examine all records, books, papers, or documents related to the assistance; and will establish a proper accounting system in accordance with generally accepted accounting standards or agency directives.
3. Will not dispose of, modify the use of, or change the terms of the real property title or other interest in the site and facilities without permission and instructions from the awarding agency. Will record the Federal awarding agency directives and will include a covenant in the title of real property acquired in whole or in part with Federal assistance funds to assure non-discrimination during the useful life of the project.
4. Will comply with the requirements of the assistance awarding agency with regard to the drafting, review and approval of construction plans and specifications.
5. Will provide and maintain competent and adequate engineering supervision at the construction site to ensure that the complete work conforms with the approved plans and specifications and will furnish progressive reports and such other information as may be required by the assistance awarding agency or State.
6. Will initiate and complete the work within the applicable time frame after receipt of approval of the awarding agency.
7. Will establish safeguards to prohibit employees from using their positions for a purpose that constitutes or presents the appearance of personal or organizational conflict of interest, or personal gain.
8. Will comply with the Intergovernmental Personnel Act of 1970 (42 U.S.C. §§4728-4763) relating to prescribed standards of merit systems for programs funded under one of the 19 statutes or regulations specified in Appendix A of OPM's Standards for a Merit System of Personnel Administration (5 C.F.R. 900, Subpart F).
9. Will comply with the Lead-Based Paint Poisoning Prevention Act (42 U.S.C. §§4801 et seq.) which prohibits the use of lead-based paint in construction or rehabilitation of residence structures.
10. Will comply with all Federal statutes relating to non-discrimination. These include but are not limited to: (a) Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (P.L. 88-352) which prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color or national origin; (b) Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, as amended (20 U.S.C. §§1681 1683, and 1685-1686), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of sex; (c) Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended (29 U.S.C. §794), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of handicaps; (d) the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, as amended (42 U.S.C. §§6101-6107), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of age; (e) the Drug Abuse Office and Treatment Act of 1972 (P.L. 92-255), as amended relating to nondiscrimination on the basis of drug abuse; (f) the Comprehensive Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism Prevention, Treatment and Rehabilitation Act of 1970 (P.L. 91-616), as amended, relating to nondiscrimination on the basis of alcohol abuse or alcoholism; (g) §§523 and 527 of the Public Health Service Act of 1912 (42 U.S.C. §§290 dd-3 and 290 ee 3), as amended, relating to confidentiality of alcohol and drug abuse patient records; (h) Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968 (42 U.S.C. §§3601 et seq.), as amended, relating to nondiscrimination in the sale, rental or financing of housing; (i) any other nondiscrimination provisions in the specific statute(s) under which application for Federal assistance is being made; and (j) the requirements of any other nondiscrimination statute(s) which may apply to the application.

11. Will comply, or has already complied, with the requirements of Titles II and III of the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970 (P.L. 91-646) which provide for fair and equitable treatment of persons displaced or whose property is acquired as a result of Federal and federally-assisted programs. These requirements apply to all interests in real property acquired for project purposes regardless of Federal participation in purchases.
12. Will comply with the provisions of the Hatch Act (5 U.S.C. §§1501-1508 and 7324-7328) which limit the political activities of employees whose principal employment activities are funded in whole or in part with Federal funds.
13. Will comply, as applicable, with the provisions of the Davis-Bacon Act (40 U.S.C. §§276a to 276a-7), the Copeland Act (40 U.S.C. §276c and 18 U.S.C. §874), and the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act (40 U.S.C. §§327-333) regarding labor standards for federally-assisted construction subagreements.
14. Will comply with flood insurance purchase requirements of Section 102(a) of the Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1973 (P.L. 93-234) which requires recipients in a special flood hazard area to participate in the program and to purchase flood insurance if the total cost of insurable construction and acquisition is \$10,000 or more.
15. Will comply with environmental standards which may be prescribed pursuant to the following: (a) institution of environmental quality control measures under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (P.L. 91-190) and Executive Order (EO) 11514; (b) notification of violating facilities pursuant to EO 11738; (c) protection of wetlands pursuant to EO 11990; (d) evaluation of flood hazards in floodplains in accordance with EO 11988; (e) assurance of project consistency with the approved State management program developed under the Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972 (16 U.S.C. §§1451 et seq.); (f) conformity of Federal actions to State (Clean Air) implementation Plans under Section 176(c) of the Clean Air Act of 1955, as amended (42 U.S.C. §§7401 et seq.); (g) protection of underground sources of drinking water under the Safe Drinking Water Act of 1974, as amended (P.L. 93-523); and, (h) protection of endangered species under the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (P.L. 93-205).
16. Will comply with the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act of 1968 (16 U.S.C. §§1271 et seq.) related to protecting components or potential components of the national wild and scenic rivers system.
17. Will assist the awarding agency in assuring compliance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended (16 U.S.C. §470), EO 11593 (identification and protection of historic properties), and the Archaeological and Historic Preservation Act of 1974 (16 U.S.C. §§469a-1 et seq).
18. Will cause to be performed the required financial and compliance audits in accordance with the Single Audit Act Amendments of 1996 and OMB Circular No. A-133, "Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations."
19. Will comply with all applicable requirements of all other Federal laws, executive orders, regulations, and policies governing this program.
20. Will comply with the requirements of Section 106(g) of the Trafficking Victims Protection Act (TVPA) of 2000, as amended (22 U.S.C. 7104) which prohibits grant award recipients or a sub-recipient from (1) Engaging in severe forms of trafficking in persons during the period of time that the award is in effect (2) Procuring a commercial sex act during the period of time that the award is in effect or (3) Using forced labor in the performance of the award or subawards under the award.

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| SIGNATURE OF AUTHORIZED CERTIFYING OFFICIAL  | TITLE Orange County Mayor |
| APPLICANT ORGANIZATION Orange County, Florida | DATE SUBMITTED  |

Application for Federal Assistance SF-424

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State Use Only:

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8. APPLICANT INFORMATION:

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| * a. Legal Name: <input type="text" value="Orange County Board of County Commissioners"/> | |
| * b. Employer/Taxpayer Identification Number (EIN/TIN): <input type="text" value="59-6000773"/> | * c. UEI: <input type="text" value="ZAMZMX9ZHCM9"/> |

d. Address:

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| * Street1: | <input type="text" value="525 E. South Street"/> |
| Street2: | <input type="text"/> |
| * City: | <input type="text" value="Orlando"/> |
| County/Parish: | <input type="text"/> |
| * State: | <input type="text" value="FL: Florida"/> |
| Province: | <input type="text"/> |
| * Country: | <input type="text" value="USA: UNITED STATES"/> |
| * Zip / Postal Code: | <input type="text" value="32801-1393"/> |

e. Organizational Unit:

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| Department Name: <input type="text" value="Planning, Env and Dev Services"/> | Division Name: <input type="text" value="Housing and Community Developm"/> |
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f. Name and contact information of person to be contacted on matters involving this application:

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| Prefix: <input type="text" value="Mr."/> | * First Name: <input type="text" value="Mitchell"/> |
| Middle Name: <input type="text" value="L."/> | |
| * Last Name: <input type="text" value="Glasser"/> | |
| Suffix: <input type="text"/> | |
| Title: <input type="text" value="Division Manager"/> | |
| Organizational Affiliation: <input type="text" value="County Division"/> | |
| * Telephone Number: <input type="text" value="407-836-5190"/> | Fax Number: <input type="text" value="407-836-5114"/> |
| * Email: <input type="text" value="Mitchell.Glasser@ocfl.net"/> | |

Application for Federal Assistance SF-424

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* Other (specify):

*** 10. Name of Federal Agency:**

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

11. Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Number:

14.239

CFDA Title:

HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME)/Entitlement Grant

*** 12. Funding Opportunity Number:**

M24UC120213

* Title:

Home Investment Partnerships Program (HOME)

13. Competition Identification Number:

Title:

14. Areas Affected by Project (Cities, Counties, States, etc.):

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Affordable housing (Tenant Based Rental Assistance, Homeowners Single Family Rehabilitation, Rental Housing Rehabilitation, Community Housing Development Organizations (CHDOs), and Administration

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* b. Program/Project

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| * b. Applicant | <input type="text" value="0.00"/> |
| * c. State | <input type="text" value="8,343,749.00"/> |
| * d. Local | <input type="text" value="16,105,100.00"/> |
| * e. Other | <input type="text" value="0.00"/> |
| * f. Program Income | <input type="text" value="0.00"/> |
| * g. TOTAL | <input type="text" value="27,045,991.10"/> |

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** I AGREE

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Authorized Representative:

Prefix: * First Name:

Middle Name:

* Last Name:

Suffix:

* Title:

* Telephone Number: Fax Number:

* Email:

* Signature of Authorized Representative:

* Date Signed:

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As the duly authorized representative of the applicant, I certify that the applicant:

1. Has the legal authority to apply for Federal assistance, and the institutional, managerial and financial capability (including funds sufficient to pay the non-Federal share of project costs) to ensure proper planning, management and completion of project described in this application.
2. Will give the awarding agency, the Comptroller General of the United States and, if appropriate, the State, the right to examine all records, books, papers, or documents related to the assistance; and will establish a proper accounting system in accordance with generally accepted accounting standards or agency directives.
3. Will not dispose of, modify the use of, or change the terms of the real property title or other interest in the site and facilities without permission and instructions from the awarding agency. Will record the Federal awarding agency directives and will include a covenant in the title of real property acquired in whole or in part with Federal assistance funds to assure non-discrimination during the useful life of the project.
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15. Will comply with environmental standards which may be prescribed pursuant to the following: (a) institution of environmental quality control measures under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (P.L. 91-190) and Executive Order (EO) 11514; (b) notification of violating facilities pursuant to EO 11738; (c) protection of wetlands pursuant to EO 11990; (d) evaluation of flood hazards in floodplains in accordance with EO 11988; (e) assurance of project consistency with the approved State management program developed under the Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972 (16 U.S.C. §§1451 et seq.); (f) conformity of Federal actions to State (Clean Air) implementation Plans under Section 176(c) of the Clean Air Act of 1955, as amended (42 U.S.C. §§7401 et seq.); (g) protection of underground sources of drinking water under the Safe Drinking Water Act of 1974, as amended (P.L. 93-523); and, (h) protection of endangered species under the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (P.L. 93-205).
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| SIGNATURE OF AUTHORIZED CERTIFYING OFFICIAL  | TITLE Orange County Mayor |
| APPLICANT ORGANIZATION Orange County, Florida | DATE SUBMITTED  |

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| * 1. Type of Submission: <input type="checkbox"/> Preapplication <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Application <input type="checkbox"/> Changed/Corrected Application | * 2. Type of Application: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> New <input type="checkbox"/> Continuation <input type="checkbox"/> Revision | * If Revision, select appropriate letter(s): <input type="text"/> * Other (Specify): <input type="text"/> |
| * 3. Date Received: 08/15/2024 | 4. Applicant Identifier: 200206122180C | |
| 5a. Federal Entity Identifier: <input type="text"/> | 5b. Federal Award Identifier: <input type="text"/> | |
| State Use Only: | | |
| 6. Date Received by State: <input type="text"/> | 7. State Application Identifier: <input type="text"/> | |
| 8. APPLICANT INFORMATION: | | |
| * a. Legal Name: Orange County Board of County Commissioners | | |
| * b. Employer/Taxpayer Identification Number (EIN/TIN): 59-6000773 | * c. UEI: ZAMZMX9ZHCM9 | |
| d. Address: | | |
| * Street1: 525 E. South Street | <input type="text"/> | |
| Street2: | <input type="text"/> | |
| * City: Orlando | <input type="text"/> | |
| County/Parish: | <input type="text"/> | |
| * State: FL: Florida | <input type="text"/> | |
| Province: | <input type="text"/> | |
| * Country: USA: UNITED STATES | <input type="text"/> | |
| * Zip / Postal Code: 32801-1393 | <input type="text"/> | |
| e. Organizational Unit: | | |
| Department Name: Planning, Env and Dev Services | Division Name: Housing and Community Developm | |
| f. Name and contact information of person to be contacted on matters involving this application: | | |
| Prefix: Mr. | * First Name: Mitchell | <input type="text"/> |
| Middle Name: L. | <input type="text"/> | |
| * Last Name: Glasser | <input type="text"/> | |
| Suffix: | <input type="text"/> | |
| Title: Division Manager | <input type="text"/> | |
| Organizational Affiliation: County Division | | |
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Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG)/Entitlement Grant

*** 12. Funding Opportunity Number:**

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| * b. Applicant | <input type="text" value="0.00"/> |
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| SIGNATURE OF AUTHORIZED CERTIFYING OFFICIAL  | TITLE Orange County Mayor |
| APPLICANT ORGANIZATION Orange County, Florida | DATE SUBMITTED  |

CERTIFICATIONS

In accordance with the applicable statutes and the regulations governing the consolidated plan regulations, the jurisdiction certifies that:

Affirmatively Further Fair Housing --The jurisdiction will affirmatively further fair housing.

Uniform Relocation Act and Anti-displacement and Relocation Plan -- It will comply with the acquisition and relocation requirements of the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970, as amended, (42 U.S.C. 4601-4655) and implementing regulations at 49 CFR Part 24. It has in effect and is following a residential anti-displacement and relocation assistance plan required under 24 CFR Part 42 in connection with any activity assisted with funding under the Community Development Block Grant or HOME programs.

Anti-Lobbying --To the best of the jurisdiction's knowledge and belief:

1. No Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid, by or on behalf of it, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the awarding of any Federal contract, the making of any Federal grant, the making of any Federal loan, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement;
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3. It will require that the language of paragraph 1 and 2 of this anti-lobbying certification be included in the award documents for all subawards at all tiers (including subcontracts, subgrants, and contracts under grants, loans, and cooperative agreements) and that all subrecipients shall certify and disclose accordingly.

Authority of Jurisdiction --The consolidated plan is authorized under State and local law (as applicable) and the jurisdiction possesses the legal authority to carry out the programs for which it is seeking funding, in accordance with applicable HUD regulations.

Consistency with plan --The housing activities to be undertaken with Community Development Block Grant, HOME, Emergency Solutions Grant, and Housing Opportunities for Persons With AIDS funds are consistent with the strategic plan in the jurisdiction’s consolidated plan.

Section 3 -- It will comply with section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968 (12 U.S.C. 1701u) and implementing regulations at 24 CFR Part 75.

Signature of Authorized Official

Date

Orange County Mayor

Title

Specific Community Development Block Grant Certifications

The Entitlement Community certifies that:

Citizen Participation -- It is in full compliance and following a detailed citizen participation plan that satisfies the requirements of 24 CFR 91.105.

Community Development Plan -- Its consolidated plan identifies community development and housing needs and specifies both short-term and long-term community development objectives that have been developed in accordance with the primary objective of the CDBG program (i.e., the development of viable urban communities, by providing decent housing and expanding economic opportunities, primarily for persons of low and moderate income) and requirements of 24 CFR Parts 91 and 570.

Following a Plan -- It is following a current consolidated plan that has been approved by HUD.

Use of Funds -- It has complied with the following criteria:

1. Maximum Feasible Priority. With respect to activities expected to be assisted with CDBG funds, it has developed its Action Plan so as to give maximum feasible priority to activities which benefit low- and moderate-income families or aid in the prevention or elimination of slums or blight. The Action Plan may also include CDBG-assisted activities which the grantee certifies are designed to meet other community development needs having particular urgency because existing conditions pose a serious and immediate threat to the health or welfare of the community, and other financial resources are not available (see Optional CDBG Certification).

2. Overall Benefit. The aggregate use of CDBG funds, including Section 108 guaranteed loans, during program year(s) 2024 [a period specified by the grantee of one, two, or three specific consecutive program years], shall principally benefit persons of low and moderate income in a manner that ensures that at least 70 percent of the amount is expended for activities that benefit such persons during the designated period.

3. Special Assessments. It will not attempt to recover any capital costs of public improvements assisted with CDBG funds, including Section 108 loan guaranteed funds, by assessing any amount against properties owned and occupied by persons of low and moderate income, including any fee charged or assessment made as a condition of obtaining access to such public improvements.

However, if CDBG funds are used to pay the proportion of a fee or assessment that relates to the capital costs of public improvements (assisted in part with CDBG funds) financed from other revenue sources, an assessment or charge may be made against the property with respect to the public improvements financed by a source other than CDBG funds.

In addition, in the case of properties owned and occupied by moderate-income (not low-income) families, an assessment or charge may be made against the property for public improvements financed by a source other than CDBG funds if the jurisdiction certifies that it lacks CDBG funds to cover the assessment.

Excessive Force -- It has adopted and is enforcing:

1. A policy prohibiting the use of excessive force by law enforcement agencies within its jurisdiction against any individuals engaged in non-violent civil rights demonstrations; and
2. A policy of enforcing applicable State and local laws against physically barring entrance to or exit from a facility or location which is the subject of such non-violent civil rights demonstrations within its jurisdiction.

Compliance with Anti-discrimination laws -- The grant will be conducted and administered in conformity with title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 U.S.C. 2000d) and the Fair Housing Act (42 U.S.C. 3601-3619) and implementing regulations.

Lead-Based Paint -- Its activities concerning lead-based paint will comply with the requirements of 24 CFR Part 35, Subparts A, B, J, K and R.

Compliance with Laws -- It will comply with applicable laws.

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Specific HOME Certifications

The HOME participating jurisdiction certifies that:

Tenant Based Rental Assistance -- If it plans to provide tenant-based rental assistance, the tenant-based rental assistance is an essential element of its consolidated plan.

Eligible Activities and Costs -- It is using and will use HOME funds for eligible activities and costs, as described in 24 CFR §§92.205 through 92.209 and that it is not using and will not use HOME funds for prohibited activities, as described in §92.214.

Subsidy layering -- Before committing any funds to a project, it will evaluate the project in accordance with the guidelines that it adopts for this purpose and will not invest any more HOME funds in combination with other Federal assistance than is necessary to provide affordable housing;

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Emergency Solutions Grants Certifications

The Emergency Solutions Grants Program recipient certifies that:

Major rehabilitation/conversion/renovation – If an emergency shelter’s rehabilitation costs exceed 75 percent of the value of the building before rehabilitation, the recipient will maintain the building as a shelter for homeless individuals and families for a minimum of 10 years after the date the building is first occupied by a homeless individual or family after the completed rehabilitation.

If the cost to convert a building into an emergency shelter exceeds 75 percent of the value of the building after conversion, the recipient will maintain the building as a shelter for homeless individuals and families for a minimum of 10 years after the date the building is first occupied by a homeless individual or family after the completed conversion.

In all other cases where ESG funds are used for renovation, the recipient will maintain the building as a shelter for homeless individuals and families for a minimum of 3 years after the date the building is first occupied by a homeless individual or family after the completed renovation.

Essential Services and Operating Costs – In the case of assistance involving shelter operations or essential services related to street outreach or emergency shelter, the recipient will provide services or shelter to homeless individuals and families for the period during which the ESG assistance is provided, without regard to a particular site or structure, so long the recipient serves the same type of persons (e.g., families with children, unaccompanied youth, disabled individuals, or victims of domestic violence) or persons in the same geographic area.

Renovation – Any renovation carried out with ESG assistance shall be sufficient to ensure that the building involved is safe and sanitary.

Supportive Services – The recipient will assist homeless individuals in obtaining permanent housing, appropriate supportive services (including medical and mental health treatment, victim services, counseling, supervision, and other services essential for achieving independent living), and other Federal, State, local, and private assistance available for these individuals.

Matching Funds – The recipient will obtain matching amounts required under 24 CFR 576.201.

Confidentiality – The recipient has established and is implementing procedures to ensure the confidentiality of records pertaining to any individual provided family violence prevention or treatment services under any project assisted under the ESG program, including protection against the release of the address or location of any family violence shelter project, except with the written authorization of the person responsible for the operation of that shelter.

Homeless Persons Involvement – To the maximum extent practicable, the recipient will involve, through employment, volunteer services, or otherwise, homeless individuals and families in constructing, renovating, maintaining, and operating facilities assisted under the ESG program, in providing services assisted under the ESG program, and in providing services for occupants of facilities assisted under the program.

Consolidated Plan – All activities the recipient undertakes with assistance under ESG are consistent with its consolidated plan.

Discharge Policy – The recipient will establish and implement, to the maximum extent practicable and where appropriate, policies and protocols for the discharge of persons from publicly funded institutions or systems of care (such as health care facilities, mental health facilities, foster care or other youth facilities, or correction programs and institutions) in order to prevent this discharge from immediately resulting in homelessness for these persons.

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APPENDIX TO CERTIFICATIONS

INSTRUCTIONS CONCERNING LOBBYING CERTIFICATION:

Lobbying Certification

This certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was made or entered into. Submission of this certification is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction imposed by section 1352, title 31, U.S. Code. Any person who fails to file the required certification shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.