

MARION COUNTY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) FUNDS

MARION COUNTY CONSORTIUM HOME FUNDS

PROPOSED FY 2016-2017 CDBG ACTION PLAN

Notice to Citizens:

The CDBG and HOME grants are administered through the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for the benefit of low/moderate income residents. Marion County utilizes CDBG funds for the benefit of eligible residents living in unincorporated areas of Marion County, while a consortium has been formed between Marion County and the City of Ocala for the HOME Investment Partnership (HOME) funds.

Consolidated Plan:

As a Consortium, the Five Year Consolidated Plan was prepared cooperatively by Marion County and the City of Ocala and includes a discussion of needs and strategies to meet those needs. It was developed with participation from both County and City staff and elected officials, affordable housing and social service providers and local citizens. Various public meetings were held to obtain citizen input on community needs. The Consolidated Plan is available for review on the website. As a result of this process, the following priorities were developed:

- **Priority #1 - Provide and sustain decent, safe and affordable housing.**
- **Priority #2 - Promote safe and decent transitional and permanent housing for homeless persons and very-low income, at-risk households.**
- **Priority #3 - Provide economic opportunities to benefit low/mod income persons.**
- **Priority #4 - Create and maintain suitable living environments for low income residents through neighborhood revitalization activities.**

Anticipated 2016-2017 CDBG funding is:

<u>CDBG Grant Award 2016/17:</u>	\$ 1,799,054	<u>Consortium HOME Grant 2016/17:</u>	\$ 652,403
Housing Activities	\$ 91,765	Marion County share:	
Public Facilities/Infrastructure	\$ 1,347,478	• Creation of Affordable Housing Units	\$ 346,452
Program Administration	\$ 359,811	• Administration	\$ 52,819
Total	\$ 1,799,054	City of Ocala share:	
		• Creation of Affordable Housing Units and/or Housing Rehab	\$ 142,850
		• Administration	\$ 12,422
<u>Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG)</u>	\$ 159,344	<u>CHDO funds</u>	\$ 97,860
Homeless Prevention	\$ 47,393		
Rapid Rehousing	\$ 100,000		
Program Administration	\$ 11,951		
		Total:	\$ 652,403

Funding will be used to support projects that promote the priorities established in the Consolidated Plan as outlined in the Action Plan. Any unexpended or unencumbered funds will be redirected to other projects, or carried forward to FY17/18.

Public Comment Period:

As required by HUD, the 2016-2017 CDBG Annual Action Plan will be available for public review and comment beginning 8:00 a.m. Wednesday, June, 29, 2016 through 5:00 p.m. Friday, July 29, 2016 during normal office hours in the Community Services Department located at 2631 SE Third Street, Ocala, FL 34471. The report may also be viewed beginning June 22, 2016 on the Marion County website, <http://www.marioncountyfl.org/departments-agencies/departments-a-n/community-services>. Anyone planning to attend who requires assistance for a disability should contact the Community Services Office at 671-8770.

Public Hearing:

A public hearing regarding this Action Plan will be held on Friday, July 22, 2016, at 4:30 p.m. in the Community Services Department located at 2631 SE Third Street, Ocala, FL 34471. Anyone planning to attend who requires assistance for a disability should contact the Community Services Office at 671-8770 by 5:00pm July 15, 2016.

Final Action:

The 2016-2017 Action Plan is scheduled for Board action on August 2, 2016 at the regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of County Commissioners.

Response to Citizen Comments:

A written response will be given within 15 days to all written comments received.



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