



Collier County



HUD Annual Action Plan 2025-2026

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Executive Summary

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

Introduction

Collier County is an entitlement jurisdiction eligible to receive community planning and development funding from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). As such, HUD requires that the County develop a 5-Year Consolidated Plan to identify its housing and community development priorities and develop a strategy to implement HUD programs. HUD also requires that the County prepare an Annual Action Plan (AAP) showing the objectives the County plans to achieve each year towards the goals established in the Consolidated Plan.

This plan covers the period starting October 1, 2025, and ending September 30, 2026, and outlines goals, objectives, and projects for the fifth and final program year covered by the current Consolidated Plan (2021-2025). It also serves as the County's application to HUD, requesting its allocation of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME), and Emergency Solutions Grants (ESG) funds. The Annual Action Plan is developed in a manner specified by HUD and the County has followed the prescribed format in completing the plan, which includes conducting public meetings with citizens and stakeholders, consultation with housing and community development organizations and non-profit service providers, and public hearings with the Collier County Board of County Commissioners.

Collier County's PY 2025 grant allocations are: \$2,677,254 in CDBG funds; \$759,078.58 in HOME funds; and \$214,074 in ESG funds. Additional resources available to the County for PY 2025 include \$31,571.43 in program income from the HOME program and reprogrammed prior year funds of \$1,496,173.11 from CDBG.

Per HUD regulation, the County reported the availability of HUD special allocations under the HOME American Rescue Plan (HOME-ARP), Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES ACT), CDBG-CV, and ESG Rapid Unsheltered Survivor Housing (ESG RUSH). While CDBG-CV funds have already been allocated, and the amendment process for the HOME-ARP plan is underway, the County will utilize these resources during PY 2025 in accordance with the goals and indicators outlined in their respective Action Plans. Federal HOME-ARP funding was created to assist individuals or households who are experiencing homelessness, at risk of homelessness, and other vulnerable populations, by providing affordable housing, rental assistance, supportive services, and non-congregate shelter, to reduce homelessness and increase housing stability. CDBG-CV was intended to prepare, prevent, or respond to COVID-19. ESG RUSH was created to address the needs of homeless individuals or families as well as those individuals or families at risk of homelessness in areas affected by a major disaster.

The goal of the community planning and development programs covered by this Annual Action Plan is to develop viable communities by providing decent and affordable housing, a suitable living environment, and expanding economic opportunities principally for people with low- and moderate incomes. The

County made funding determinations for specific projects during PY 2025 based on input from residents, non-profit and social service agencies that serve low- and moderate-income (LMI) residents, municipalities including the City of Naples and City of Marco Island, and other stakeholders.

Summarize the objectives and outcomes identified in the Plan

Collier County developed the objectives and outcomes of the 5-Year Strategic Plan based on a comprehensive housing needs assessment and market analysis presented in the 2021-2025 Consolidated Plan and a citizen participation and stakeholder consultation process. The County identified seven (7) priority needs with associated goals to address those needs. The priority needs, objectives, and outcomes to be addressed in PY 25 plan include:

1) Priority Need: Housing Affordability

Goals Associated: Support New Construction, Rehabilitation/Acquisition Rental, Tenant Based Rental Assistance, CHDO Set-Aside Reserve.

Objective: Provide Decent Housing

Outcome: Accessibility/Availability

Description: Funds will be used to support the rehabilitation, new construction assistance of rental housing for predevelopment costs, loan closing fees, and design costs, tenant-based rental assistance, and homebuyer assistance.

2) Priority Need: Homelessness & Homelessness Prevention

Goals Associated: Emergency Housing and Services for the Homeless

Objective: Provide Decent Housing

Outcome: Accessibility/Availability

Description: Funds will be used to provide rapid rehousing, homeless prevention rental assistance activities, and street outreach services.

3) Priority Need: Public Services

Goals Associated: Provide Public Services

Objective: Create a Suitable Living Environment

Outcome: Accessibility/Availability

Description: Funds will be provided for public services that benefit low- and moderate-income persons, seniors, and special needs groups.

4) Priority Need: Public Infrastructure Improvements

Goals Associated: Public Infrastructure Improvements

Objective: Create a Suitable Living Environment

Outcome: Accessibility/Availability

Description: Funds will be used to support ADA public infrastructure improvements and for the replacement of heating, ventilation and air conditioning units in a healthcare facility.

5) Priority Need: Program Administration and Planning

Goals Associated: Administration & Planning

Objective: Create a Suitable Living Environment

Outcome: Accessibility/Availability

Description: Funds will be used for the administration of CDBG, HOME and ESG Programs.

Evaluation of past performance

Collier County has demonstrated success in structuring and carrying out its strategies in the 2021-2025 Consolidated Plan. The County included 11 goals and as of the most recent CAPER (PY23) has achieved a 100% completion rate for 8 of the goals. Collier County far exceeded proposed accomplishments under several goals, particularly in the provision of public services and making improvements to public and other facilities. These activities were funded through the County's CDBG and CDBG-CV programs. The County has also met the consolidated plan goal of improvement of public and other facilities at 100%.

Through the Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER) process, Collier County continues to track progress and report on barriers faced in achieving goals. Performance evaluation indicates a need for the County to continue working towards housing objectives including rehabilitation and construction of rental units to meet its goals for the 5-year consolidated planning period. The County is currently at 31% complete for that goal. As a result, the County has focused on this goal in the proposed PY 2025 Annual Action Plan and will be funding several rental rehab projects. The County will also continue to provide public services in PY 2025, as an evaluation of past performance indicates consistent increases in the demand for services.

Below summarizes progress made on each priority need identified in the Consolidated Plan as of publication of the County's most current CAPER (PY 23).

Improve Public Infrastructure – The County did not include this as a goal in the PY23 Action Plan but has benefitted 8,210 people through the third year of the consolidated plan.

- Percent complete program year: N/A (not included in PY23 AAP)
- Percent complete strategic plan: 100%

Improve Public and Other Facilities – During PY23, the County assisted 42 people through this activity and overall has benefitted 91,148 people through the third year of the consolidated plan.

- Percent complete program year: 0.4%
- Percent complete strategic plan: 100%

Support New Construction, Rehab/Acquisition Rental – The County supported the acquisition of 2 rental units in PY23 and has assisted 84 units through construction or rehabilitation activities through the third year of the consolidated plan.

- Percent complete program year: 100%

- Percent complete strategic plan: 31%

Provide Public Services – In PY23, the County assisted 37,800 through various public services and overall has assisted 112,623 people through the third year of the consolidated plan.

- Percent complete program year: 100%
- Percent complete strategic plan: 100%

New Construction, Rehabilitation/Acquisition Homeownership – In support of homeownership during PY23, the County supported the construction of 10 owner units and provided direct financial assistance to 13 households for purchasing a home. Overall, the County has assisted 27 households through construction or purchase assistance activities through the third year of the consolidated plan.

- Percent complete program year: 100%
- Percent complete strategic plan: 100%

Emergency Housing and Services for the Homeless – During PY23, the County assisted 113 households at-risk of becoming homeless through rapid re-housing and 323 persons through shelter operations. Through the third year of the consolidated plan, the County has assisted 113 households and 1,370 persons through rapid re-housing, overnight shelter support, and homelessness prevention activities.

- Percent complete program year: 100%
- Percent complete strategic plan: 100%

HMIS Support – The County did not include this goal in the PY23 Action Plan as it had already been completed at 100%. The County provided support for 1 HMIS system through the third year of the consolidated plan which benefits numerous homelessness organizations with tracking and reporting accurate homelessness data.

- Percent complete program year: N/A (not included in PY23 AAP)
- Percent complete strategic plan: 100%

Provide Homelessness Prevention – During PY23, and through the third year of the consolidated plan, the County assisted 19 persons through homelessness prevention activities.

- Percent complete program year: 100%
- Percent complete strategic plan: 76%

Tenant Based Rental Assistance – During PY23, the County provided tenant-based rental assistance to 18 households and 22 households through the third year of the consolidated plan.

- Percent complete program year: 100%

- Percent complete strategic plan: 100%

CHDO – The County is working with a local non-profit to become a certified HUD CHDO so that the County can meet its housing goals. It is to be noted that during this process the County has been granted a CHDO waiver by HUD.

- Percent complete program year: 0%
- Percent complete strategic plan: 0%

The County continued to assist low-income people/households and vulnerable populations through its HUD special allocations of CDBG-CV, ESG-CV, and ESG RUSH funds. In PY 2023 the County expended \$3,097,723.33 of CDBG-CV funds towards public service, public facilities and housing activities benefitting 36,850 low-and moderate-income persons. In PY 2023, the County provided ESG-CV funds to individuals and families experiencing homelessness or at risk of homelessness to mitigate the impacts of the pandemic. ESG-CV provided emergency shelter, rapid re-housing, homelessness prevention, and essential services. The County assisted 1,392 persons through ESG-CV funds. The ESG-CV project is now complete.

In PY 2023, the ESG RUSH program served 44 households: including 8 elderly head of households, 2 veterans and 12 families with 22 total children. In PY2023, the County had 15 landlords with payment agreements in place and continued to work through the waiting list. Our team continued to reach out to different communities and form relationships with landlords to offer additional options to our community that are still struggling through recovery efforts. The County continued to serve those in need from Hurricane Ian with RUSH funds. Most recently, the County received an additional special allocation of ESG RUSH to address the needs of individuals or families experiencing homelessness or individuals or families at risk of homelessness in areas affected by recent disasters like Hurricane Helene and Milton. This program will be administered by Community and Human Services (CHS) in both PY 2024 and PY 2025.

Summary of Citizen Participation Process and consultation process

Citizen participation and community stakeholder consultation plays a vital part in the development of Collier County's planning and development of the Annual Action Plan. The County encourages participation from the citizens it serves, in particular LMI and special needs communities, which are the primary target populations of HUD funded programs. The County also continues to remain engaged and works with key non-profit organizations that serve these groups.

The citizen participation process follows the County's HUD approved Citizen Participation Plan, which is designed to encourage all citizens, including persons of lower income, non-English speaking residents, and those with disabilities to participate in the County's planning and development of plans and reports.

Community outreach started with the County's publication of PY2025-2026 HUD and SHIP Grant Application Cycle public notice on December 19, 2024, in the Naples Daily News, and continued with the County facilitating technical assistance meetings from January 27 – 31, 2025. The County also held public meetings March 26 – 27, 2025 during which the Review and Ranking Committee was able to discuss

potential action plan activities with applicants and the public. The County provided outreach through newspapers, local media outlets, official governmental websites, and social media. Meetings were conducted to encourage the inclusion of all residents, target areas, beneficiaries of federal resources awarded through the public awards process, and public and private agencies operating in the County. Public meetings and public hearings were held and conducted in accordance with 24 CFR Part 91 and the County's Citizen Participation Plan.

The County also solicited comments on the draft Annual Action Plan through a 30-day public comment period from June 6, 2025, through July 6, 2025, and held public hearings on June 5 and July 8, 2025, to solicit additional comments on the draft plan. At the July 8, 2025 public hearing, the County requested the Board of County Commissioners to adopt the plan.

Summary of public comments

There were no public comments received specific to the preparation of the PY 2025 Annual Action Plan or related proposed activities. During the preparation of the 2021-2025 Consolidated Plan, there was extensive consultation with partner organizations and other stakeholders, as well as broad input from community members. Service providers also shared their insights through an online survey. Input received through the Consolidated Plan community engagement indicated affordable housing is the primary priority need. Other public comments revealed the need for food banks, access to transportation, access to emergency beds and transitional shelters, and access to higher wage jobs.

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

The County recognizes that if received, all comments and responses from the public are accepted, considered, and incorporated into the Annual Action Plan, as applicable. There were no agencies or organization types that were intentionally not consulted.

The County did not receive any public comments on the PY 2025 Annual Action Plan.

Summary

The PY 2025 AAP is the fifth year of the 2021-2025 Consolidated Plan. The activities funded in this Annual Action Plan address the needs of the community and further build on the accomplishments of the goals established in the 5-Year Strategic Plan. The Annual Action Plan is a formal document that details how the County plans on utilizing its CDBG, HOME, and ESG funds to serve the community in the coming program year. The Action Plan is part of the Consolidated Planning process, which is designed to help states and local jurisdictions assess their affordable housing and community development needs and market conditions, and to make data-driven, place-based investment decisions. Through the Consolidated Plan, grantee jurisdictions engage the community, both in the process of developing and reviewing the proposed plan, and as partners and stakeholders in the implementation of Community and Human Services HUD programs. By consulting and collaborating with other public and private entities, the County can better align and coordinate housing and community development programs and resources to achieve

greater impact. This Annual Action Plan describes the County's housing and community development priorities and goals to be carried out in PY 2025.

PR-05 Lead & Responsible Agencies – 91.200(b)

Agency/entity responsible for preparing/administering the Consolidated Plan

| Agency Role | Name | Department/Agency |
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| CDBG Administrator | Collier County | Community & Human Services Division |
| HOME Administrator | Collier County | Community & Human Services Division |
| ESG Administrator | Collier County | Community & Human Services Division |

Table 1 – Responsible Agencies

Narrative (optional)

The Collier County Community & Human Services Division is the lead agency responsible for the development and administration of the PY 2025 Action Plan, which is the fifth and final planning year of the 2021-2025 Consolidated Plan. The Division administers Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME), and Emergency Solutions Grants (ESG) funds received from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), and coordinates execution of projects related to the priorities and goals identified in the Consolidated Plan.

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

Introduction

Collier County's PY 2025 AAP is based off the housing and community development needs identified in its 2021-2025 Consolidated Plan, which involved a robust citizen participation and stakeholder consultation process. Collier County conducted significant consultation with citizens, municipal officials, non-profit agencies, public housing agencies, governmental agencies, and the Continuum of Care in preparing this Plan. Further, focus groups and interviews took place with local community stakeholders and online surveys for the community and agencies were conducted to gather feedback to identify priority needs. The Affordable Housing Advisory Committee (AHAC) provided input and feedback during several meetings on current housing and community development conditions, needs, and strategies.

For PY 2025, the County continued to be engaged with local stakeholder organizations in preparing this plan. The County provided technical assistance to solicit input on potential projects for funding to ensure that all potential applicants for its grant funding application process were fully versed in the requirements and expectations for the funds. All potential applicants helped to describe the needs of the community through their application and at the meetings. The County also provided opportunities for the public to provide input on community needs, proposed program activities, and the draft plan during the public comment period and at a public hearing. The following section details the organizations and agencies that took part in the development of the plan.

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))

During the development of the Consolidated Plan, the County encouraged a high level of public communication and agency consultation to demonstrate its commitment to identifying priority needs and engaging the participation of citizens, public agencies, and nonprofit organizations in a positive and collaborative manner. A list of stakeholders and affordable housing providers was developed and included public agencies and private nonprofit organizations whose missions included the provision of affordable housing and human services to low- to moderate-income persons and households. These stakeholders were invited to participate in needs assessment meetings held for the purpose of developing the Consolidated Plan. The list of stakeholders is included in the Citizen Participation Comments section.

The collaboration and consultation of local housing and community service providers helped to form the Strategic Plan of the 5-Year Consolidated Plan. Contracts awarded from HUD funds must address one of the identified needs and the associated goals of the Consolidated Plan. Collier County recognizes the importance of public services for people with mental health and substance abuse needs and the related importance of coordination between public and assisted housing providers and health, mental health, and service agencies. These organizations are invited to participate in the consultation process as well as apply for housing and community development grants. The County further consults with housing and service

agencies through a series of technical assistance meetings facilitated by Community and Human Services. Service agencies interested in participating in HUD programs are also given the opportunity to present their applications to the Review and Ranking Committee and further discuss the needs of their clientele.

In addition to enhancing coordination through the use of HUD funds, Collier County encourages dialogue and collaboration between housing and service agencies through the SWFL Regional Coalition to End Homelessness, which serves as the lead agency for the County's Continuum of Care. The SWFL Regional Coalition to End Homelessness holds regular meetings in Naples, and members include more than 70 public and private agencies within the region.

The County coordinates with agencies, business entities and local government departments to bridge the digital divide for LMI households. LMI households are at risk of falling further behind without connectivity, as high-speed internet has become a vital infrastructure providing access to information, opportunities and jobs. As the need for resiliency planning and emergency preparedness increases, the County will also seek consultation from area agencies and government departments on how to mitigate these effects on LMI households.

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.

Collier County staff attends bi-monthly meetings with the SWFL Regional Coalition to End Homelessness (Coalition) as well as area service providers to enhance the community's comprehensive Continuum of Care (CoC) system to end homelessness. This dynamic partnership includes collaborative efforts of a variety of community groups, and government agencies. The SWFL Regional Coalition to End Homelessness serves as the Lead Agency and has been designated by the CoC as the Collaborative Applicant to apply for the HUD CoC grant on behalf of the CoC. The County enhances the coordination of public, private, and nonprofit housing providers, human service agencies, and social service providers through the following actions:

- Continues to work with other municipalities and agencies to include the Collier County Housing Authority to prioritize housing needs, provide services, and maximize the use of federal, state, and local funds for affordable housing, community development, and related services.
- Continues to participate in coordinated efforts for shelter and services assisting homeless individuals and families.
- County staff participate in many of the committees that provide direction for the 10-year plan to end homelessness.
- In the ESG program, the County completes the assessment of participants in the Rapid Rehousing and Homeless Prevention programs in coordination with the COC who then provide support and training.

Each year, the Coalition leads the local Point-in-Time Count which is a survey of who is homeless on a given night and provides a snapshot of who experiences homelessness throughout the year. This survey is given usually at the end of January, and is supported by participating CoC members, local government units such as Collier County, and volunteers in the community.

Much of the day-to-day coordination is through the CoC lead Coordinated Entry (CE). CE is a streamlined system designed to match individuals and families experiencing homelessness or those at-risk of homelessness efficiently and effectively to available housing, shelter, and services. CE prioritizes those who are most in need of assistance and quickly makes referrals to meet their unique needs. This system also helps the Continuum of Care strategically allocate resources and reduces duplication of efforts. CE hubs are located in several locations in Naples and Immokalee as well as online. For more information or to request assistance through CE, please see the CoC's website: <https://collierhomelesscoalition.org/coordinated-entry-screening-intake>.

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

The SWFL Regional Coalition to End Homelessness serves as the lead agency for the Collier County CoC. Members of the Continuum provided input during stakeholder interviews and in the project selection process. The CoC is responsible for designating a Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) and a Lead Agency responsible for its management and has primary responsibility for ensuring that HMIS is fully funded and has appropriate policies and procedures. HMIS is a locally administered data system used to record and analyze client, service, and housing data for individuals and families who are homeless or at risk of homelessness, and the information system is designated by the local CoC to comply with the requirements of the CoC Program interim rule 24 CFR 578. The CoC also works closely with Collier County (ESG recipient) to allocate funds and monitor outcomes.

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

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| 1 | Agency/Group/Organization | Collier County Housing Authority |
| | Agency/Group/Organization Type | Housing PHA Services - Housing Service-Fair Housing |
| | What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation? | Housing Needs Assessment Public Housing |
| | Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination? | The County works closely with the Collier County Housing Authority to determine the affordable housing needs in the County. This partner was directly invited to participate in public meetings for the grant process and invited to comment on the draft plan. |
| 2 | Agency/Group/Organization | SWFL Regional Coalition to End Homelessness |
| | Agency/Group/Organization Type | Services-homeless Continuum of Care |
| | What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation? | Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless Homeless Needs - Families with children Homelessness Needs - Veterans Homelessness Needs - Unaccompanied youth Homelessness Strategy Non-Housing Community Development Needs |
| | Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination? | The agency is the local CoC lead, and the County is engaged with the Coalition to help determine the homeless needs in the County. This partner was directly invited to participate in public meetings for the grant process and invited to comment on the draft plan. The County also consulted with this partner through participation in the PIT count and through meetings during the program year. |
| 3 | Agency/Group/Organization | Sunrise Community of Southwest Florida |
| | Agency/Group/Organization Type | Services-Persons with Disabilities Services-Mental Health Services and Services – Transportation |

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| | What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation? | Non-Homeless Special Needs Non-Housing Community Development Needs |
| | Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination? | The agency is a recipient of grant funds and helped to determine the community development needs through the application process. This organization provides a critical service to an overlooked population in the County. This partner was directly invited to participate in technical assistance and public meetings for the grant process and invited to comment on the draft plan. This agency also presented to the Review and Ranking Committee and participated in in-person discussions about the grant application process and their proposed activity. |
| 4 | Agency/Group/Organization | Pathways Early Education Center |
| | Agency/Group/Organization Type | Services-Children |
| | What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation? | Housing Needs Assessment Non-Homeless Special Needs |
| | Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination? | The agency helped to determine the community development needs through the application process. This agency applied for funding. This partner was directly invited to participate in technical assistance. |
| 5 | Agency/Group/Organization | The Shelter for Abused Women & Children, Inc |
| | Agency/Group/Organization Type | Services-Victims of Domestic Violence Services - Victims Publicly Funded Institution/System of Care |
| | What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation? | Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless Homeless Needs - Families with children Homelessness Needs - Unaccompanied youth Homelessness Strategy Non-Housing Community Development Needs |

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| | Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination? | The agency is a recipient of ESG funds and helped to determine the homeless needs in the community through the application process. This partner was directly invited to participate in technical assistance and public meetings for the grant process and invited to comment on the draft plan. This agency also presented to the Review and Ranking Committee and participated in in-person discussions about the grant application process and their proposed activity. |
| 6 | Agency/Group/Organization | Housing Development Corporation of SW Florida, Inc. dba HELP |
| | Agency/Group/Organization Type | Services - Housing Services-Fair Housing |
| | What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation? | Housing Needs Assessment |
| | Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination? | This organization applied for a grant and helped to determine the community development needs in the County. HELP also is engaged and assists the County with fair housing activities. This partner was directly invited to participate in technical assistance and public meetings for the grant process and invited to comment on the draft plan. This agency also presented to the Review and Ranking Committee and participated in in-person discussions about the grant application process and their proposed activity. |
| 7 | Agency/Group/Organization | Collier County Public Safety Department |
| | Agency/Group/Organization Type | Agency - Managing Flood Prone Areas Agency - Emergency Management Emergency Services |
| | What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation? | Non-Homeless Special Needs Emergency Management |
| | Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination? | The County's Public Safety Department was contacted regarding the plan. This partner was invited to participate in public meetings for the grant process and invited to comment of the draft of the plan. |

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| 8 | Agency/Group/Organization | Collier County Public Library |
| | Agency/Group/Organization Type | Services - Narrowing the Digital Divide Other government - County |
| | What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation? | Non-Homeless Special Needs Non-Housing Community Development |
| | Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination? | The Collier County Public Library was contacted regarding the plan. The public library provides access to high-speed internet for all residents in the County and helps to narrow the digital divide for LMI residents. This access to free high-speed internet allows for job searches, school homework for students and other online needs. This partner was directly invited to participate in public meetings for the grant process and invited to comment on the draft plan. |
| 9 | Agency/Group/Organization | Baker Senior Center Naples |
| | Agency/Group/Organization Type | Services-Elderly Persons |
| | What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation? | Non-Homeless Special Needs Non-Housing Community Development |
| | Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination? | This organization applied for a grant and helped to determine the community development needs in the County. This partner was directly invited to participate in technical assistance and public meetings for the grant process and invited to comment on the draft plan. This agency also presented to the Review and Ranking Committee and participated in in-person discussions about the grant application process and their proposed activity. |
| 10 | Agency/Group/Organization | Habitat for Humanity of Collier County |
| | Agency/Group/Organization Type | Services - Housing |
| | What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation? | Housing Needs Assessment |

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| | Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination? | This organization applied for a grant and helped to determine the housing needs of the County's low-income and vulnerable populations. This partner was directly invited to participate in technical assistance and public meetings for the grant process and invited to comment on the draft plan. This agency also presented to the Review and Ranking Committee and participated in in-person discussions about the grant application process and their proposed activity. |
| 11 | Agency/Group/Organization | National Development of America - Casa San Juan Diego |
| | Agency/Group/Organization Type | Services - Housing |
| | What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation? | Housing Needs Assessment |
| | Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination? | This organization applied for a grant and helped to determine the housing needs of the County's low-income and vulnerable populations. This partner was directly invited to participate in technical assistance and public meetings for the grant process and invited to comment on the draft plan. This agency also presented to the Review and Ranking Committee and participated in in-person discussions about the grant application process and their proposed activity. |
| 12 | Agency/Group/Organization | Rural Neighborhoods, Inc. |
| | Agency/Group/Organization Type | Services - Housing |
| | What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation? | Housing Needs Assessment |

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| | Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination? | This organization applied for a grant and helped to determine the housing needs of the County's low-income and vulnerable populations. This partner was directly invited to participate in technical assistance and public meetings for the grant process and invited to comment on the draft plan. This agency also presented to the Review and Ranking Committee and participated in in-person discussions about the grant application process and their proposed activity. |
| 13 | Agency/Group/Organization | Collier Housing Alternatives, Inc |
| | Agency/Group/Organization Type | Services - Housing |
| | What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation? | Housing Needs Assessment |
| | Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination? | This organization applied for a grant and helped to determine the housing needs of the County's low-income and vulnerable populations. This partner was directly invited to participate in technical assistance and public meetings for the grant process and invited to comment on the draft plan. This agency also presented to the Review and Ranking Committee and participated in in-person discussions about the grant application process and their proposed activity. |
| 14 | Agency/Group/Organization | Housing Alternatives of Southwest Florida, Inc. |
| | Agency/Group/Organization Type | Services - Housing |
| | What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation? | Housing Needs Assessment |
| | Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination? | This organization applied for a grant and helped to determine the housing needs of the County's low-income and vulnerable populations. This partner was directly invited to participate in technical assistance and public meetings for the grant process and invited to comment on the draft plan. This agency also presented to the Review and Ranking Committee and participated in in-person discussions about the grant application process and their proposed activity. |

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| 15 | Agency/Group/Organization | Fun Time Early Childhood Academy |
| | Agency/Group/Organization Type | Services – Youth |
| | What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation? | Non-Housing Community Development Needs |
| | Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination? | This organization applied for a grant and helped to determine the developmental needs of the County's youth population. This partner was directly invited to participate in technical assistance and public meetings for the grant process and invited to comment on the draft plan. This agency also presented to the Review and Ranking Committee and participated in in-person discussions about the grant application process and their proposed activity. |
| 16 | Agency/Group/Organization | Harry Chapin Food Bank |
| | Agency/Group/Organization Type | Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless Homeless Needs - Families with children Homelessness Needs - Veterans Homelessness Needs - Unaccompanied youth Services-Persons with Disabilities Services-Mental Health Services |
| | What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation? | Homelessness Needs Non-Housing Community Development Needs |
| | Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination? | This organization applied for a grant and helped to determine the needs of those experiencing homelessness or at-risk of becoming homeless and low-income and vulnerable populations. This partner was directly invited to participate in technical assistance and public meetings for the grant process and invited to comment on the draft plan. This agency also participated in discussions about the grant application process and their proposed activity. |
| 17 | Agency/Group/Organization | Collier Health Services, Inc. dba Healthcare Network |
| | Agency/Group/Organization Type | Services – Health |
| | What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation? | Non-Housing Community Development Needs |

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| | Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination? | This organization applied for a grant and helped to determine the needs of those low-income and vulnerable populations, particularly related to access to services. This partner was directly invited to participate in technical assistance and public meetings for the grant process and invited to comment on the draft plan. This agency also presented to the Review and Ranking Committee and participated in in-person discussions about the grant application process and their proposed activity. |
| 18 | Agency/Group/Organization | Immokalee Pioneer Museum |
| | Agency/Group/Organization Type | Services - Education |
| | What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation? | Non-Housing Community Development Needs |
| | Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination? | This organization applied for a grant and helped to determine the needs of the County's low-income and vulnerable populations. This partner was directly invited to participate in technical assistance and public meetings for the grant process and invited to comment on the draft plan. This agency also presented to the Review and Ranking Committee and participated in in-person discussions about the grant application process and their proposed activity. |
| 19 | Agency/Group/Organization | Gargiulo Education Center |
| | Agency/Group/Organization Type | Services - Education |
| | What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation? | Non-Housing Community Development Needs |

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| | <p>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</p> | <p>This organization applied for a grant and helped to determine the needs of the County's low-income and vulnerable populations. This partner was directly invited to participate in technical assistance and public meetings for the grant process and invited to comment on the draft plan. This agency also presented to the Review and Ranking Committee and participated in in-person discussions about the grant application process and their proposed activity.</p> |
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Table 2 – Agencies, groups, organizations who participated

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

To the greatest extent possible, the County makes every effort to consult all agency types that administer programs covered by or are affected by the Annual Action Plan and does not exclude any local agencies from consultation.

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

| Name of Plan | Lead Organization | How do the goals of your Strategic Plan overlap with the goals of each plan? |
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| Continuum of Care | SWFL Regional Coalition to End Homelessness | Affordable housing, services, and economic development |
| 10 Yr. Plan to Prevent Hunger and End Homelessness | SWFL Regional Coalition to End Homelessness | The Strategic Plan goals to address homelessness align with the Continuum of Care goals and strategies. |
| Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice, 2021 | Collier County | Recommendations from the Analysis of Impediments on reducing fair housing impediments were considered in determining Action Plan activities aligning with the County's housing goals for this plan. |

| Name of Plan | Lead Organization | How do the goals of your Strategic Plan overlap with the goals of each plan? |
|---|-------------------------------------|---|
| 5-Year Strategic Plan for Mental Health & Addiction Services 2025 - 2029 | Collier Coalition For Healthy Minds | The MHAS coordinates assistance for those with mental health and substance use disorders in the area which aligns with the County's Action Plan goal to provide public services for this population. |
| Urban Land Institute Advisory Services Report | Collier County | The ULI Report defines how the County will expand affordable housing and was considered in determining Action Plan goals. |
| Collier County LHAP 2025 - 2028 | Collier County | The County Local Housing Assistance Plan aligns with the Action Plan to meet the needs of LMI households through the expanding production and preservation of affordable housing. |
| Growth Management Plan | Collier County | The County's Housing Element of the Growth Management Plan contains goals and objectives to provide affordable, safe, and decent housing for all residents with a focus on very-low, low, moderate and workforce income households which is consistent with the intent of this Action Plan and the County's HUD programs. |
| PHA Five-Year Plan | Collier County Housing Authority | The PHA annual plans include increasing access to affordable housing and supporting services to achieve self-sufficiency as goals which align with the County's Action Plan priorities. |

Table 3 – Other local / regional / federal planning efforts

Narrative (optional)

In accordance with 24 CFR 91.100(4), the County notified adjacent units of local government of non-housing community development needs included in its Consolidated Plan. The County will continue to interact with public entities at all levels to ensure coordination and cooperation in the implementation of

the Consolidated Plan and Annual Action Plan, thereby maximizing the benefits of the County's housing and community development activities for the residents being served, in particular, those who are LMI and/or have special needs.

The County's Community & Human Services Division also maintains ongoing communication with internal departments and divisions within the County. The Collier County Public Safety Department is comprised of all county-managed emergency services departments and is responsible for the planning of emergency services and responses to natural disasters. The Collier County Public Library is an important provider of services for LMI residents and provides access to high-speed internet for all residents in the County and helps to narrow the digital divide for LMI residents. Additionally, the University of Florida's University Extension provides food classes to Immokalee area residents on healthy eating and nutrition.

Coordination with private industry, businesses, developers, and social service agencies included individual consultations conducted with affordable housing developers and the social service agencies. There were also several public advisory committees that were consulted. The input received during these consultations informed recommended strategies.

AP-12 Participation – 91.105, 91.200(c)

Summary of citizen participation process/Efforts made to broaden citizen participation Summarize citizen participation process and how it impacted goal setting

Citizen participation is a critical component of the planning processes, and the County closely followed the requirements of its HUD approved Citizen Participation Plan to conduct engagement efforts during the development of this Annual Action Plan (AAP). Collier County residents were offered multiple opportunities, as detailed in the table below, to participate in the development of the AAP. Each meeting was publicly advertised in the *Naples Daily News* and on the County's website. Included in the citizen participation process was a 30-day public comment period and a public hearing to review and discuss the contents of the plan. All participants' comments were welcome, were recorded and considered, and incorporated into his plan as applicable.

Included in Collier County's outreach were technical assistance (TA) meetings to be sure any organization interested in applying for HUD grant funds understood the process and expectations going forward. In the meetings, staff reviewed the application process, the County's priorities, eligible activities and projects, national objective achievements, contract development, project implementation phases of the projects, and monitoring parameters. Grant TA Meetings were held in January of 2025.

The County published notice of the grant application process on December 19, 2024, and launched a blast email and social media campaign on the same date, reaching 926 recipients. A second touch email and social media campaign was launched December 30, 2024. Technical assistance meetings followed from January 27-31, 2025. Public meetings were held March 26th and 27th 2025, where applicant presentations were heard in front of the Review and Ranking Committee.

A Notice was published May 22, 2025, announcing the preparation of the Annual Action Plan, disclosing allocations and proposed projects, giving notice of an additional public hearing on June 5, 2025, giving notice of the 30-day public comment period from June 6 – July 6, 2025, and notice of a second public hearing being held in front of the Board of County Commissioners on July 8, 2025.

The following table describes the County's citizen participation outreach efforts.

Citizen Participation Outreach

| | Mode of Outreach | Target of Outreach | Summary of response and attendance | Summary of comments received | Summary of comments not accepted and reasons | URL (if applicable) |
|---|--|---|------------------------------------|---|--|---|
| 1 | Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) December 19, 2024 | HUD Grant Applicants; Housing and Service Providers | N/A | N/A | N/A | https://www.colliercountyhousing.com/ |
| 2 | Grant TA Meetings January 27-31, 2025 | HUD Grant Applicants; Housing and Service Providers | 75 Attended | Refer below to summary of public comments section of this plan. | N/A | N/A |
| 3 | Public Meetings March 26-27, 2025 | Non-targeted/broad community Minorities Non-English Speaking Persons with disabilities Residents of | 59 Attended | Refer below to summary of public comments section of this plan. | All comments were welcomed | N/A |

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| | | Public and Assisted Housing | | | | |
| 4 | Public Hearing June 5, 2025 | Non-targeted/broad community Minorities Non-English Speaking Persons with disabilities Residents of Public and Assisted Housing | 3 attended | Refer below to summary of public comments section of this plan. | All comments were welcomed | N/A |
| 5 | Public Comment Period June 6 – July 6, 2025 | Non-targeted/broad community Minorities Non-English Speaking Persons with disabilities Residents of | No public comments received | Refer below to summary of public comments section of this plan. | All comments were welcomed | N/A |

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| | | Public and Assisted Housing | | | | |
| 6 | Public Hearing July 8, 2025 | Non-targeted/broad community Minorities Non-English Speaking Persons with disabilities Residents of Public and Assisted Housing | Adoption of the PY 2025 Annual Action Plan was scheduled for Tuesday, July 8, 2025 at a regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of County Commissioners | Refer below to summary of public comments section of this plan. | All comments were welcomed | N/A |

Table 4 – Citizen Participation Outreach

Expected Resources

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

Introduction

Over the one-year period beginning October 1, 2025, and ending September 30, 2026, Collier County anticipates receiving \$3,650,406.58 of Program Year (PY) 2025 HUD Entitlement grant resources to meet underserved needs, foster decent affordable housing, develop institutional structure, and enhance coordination between public and private housing and social service agencies. Available HUD Entitlement funding for PY 2025 is as follows:

- Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) - \$2,677,254
- HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME) - \$759,078.58
- Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) - \$214,074

Along with the County's PY 2025 annual CDBG, HOME, and ESG allocations, the County will have available CDBG reprogrammed prior year funds in the amount of \$ 1,496,173.11 which were initially awarded to the Immokalee CRA, Pathways Early Education Center, and Bayshore CRA as subrecipients in PY 2024 which included a large-scale multi-phase project for the CRA. Planning is still ongoing for the CRA project, but funds will not be expended until 2026. The County will also have available \$31,571.43 of HOME program income. Program income received will be used towards similar activities from which it was produced, and these funds will be allocated on an annual basis in accordance with the Annual Action Plan.

The County will also continue to utilize funds previously allocated under the HOME American Rescue Act (HOME-ARP), CARES Act (CDBG-CV) and ESG RUSH. The County expects to use \$2,733,183 of HOME-ARP funds for projects taking place in PY 2025. HOME-ARP project funds will be included in the PY 2021 Annual Action Plan. During PY 2025, the County will continue to provide funds in the amount of \$225,000 in CDBG-CV funds to Collier Health Services, Inc. d/b/a Healthcare Network, to prepare a Community Health Plan and support outreach efforts to address healthcare access, preventative care, and responsiveness to help mitigate the risk of future public health emergencies. A special allocation of ESG RUSH funds were designated in the PY 2024 Annual Action Plan and will continue to be utilized in PY 2025.

The County will also make efforts to leverage funds to maximize benefit to the community, particularly for the creation of affordable housing.

**The Priority Table below does not accept cents, so the allocation has been rounded down to the nearest dollar. The actual HOME allocation was \$759,078.58. The HOME allocation totals for the AP-20 Goals and AP-35 Projects have also been rounded down to the nearest dollar to reflect these changes in the AP-*

15. However, please note that the actual allocation has been entered into the SF-424 as the grantee certifies that the statements in the SF-424 “are true, complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge.”

Anticipated Resources

| Program | Source of Funds | Uses of Funds | Expected Amount Available Year 1 | | | | Expected Amount Available Remainder of ConPlan \$ | Narrative Description |
|---------|------------------|---|----------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------------|-----------------|---|---|
| | | | Annual Allocation: \$ | Program Income: \$ | Prior Year Resources: \$ | Total: \$ | | |
| CDBG | public - federal | Acquisition; Admin and Planning; Housing; Public Services; Public Facilities & Infrastructure | \$2,677,254 | \$0 | \$ 1,496,173.11 | \$ 4,173,427.11 | \$0 | CDBG Entitlement program funds will be used to develop viable urban communities by providing decent housing and a suitable living environment, and by expanding economic opportunities, principally for low- and moderate-income persons. PY25 is the fifth and final year of |

Anticipated Resources

| Program | Source of Funds | Uses of Funds | Expected Amount Available Year 1 | | | | Expected Amount Available Remainder of ConPlan \$ | Narrative Description |
|---------|-----------------|---------------|----------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------------|-----------|---|--|
| | | | Annual Allocation: \$ | Program Income: \$ | Prior Year Resources: \$ | Total: \$ | | |
| | | | | | | | | the 2021-2025 Consolidated Plan, therefore no funds will remain available under this Consolidated Plan. Any program income generated during PY25, or funds carried forward from PY21-25 will be available under the new 2025-2029 Consolidated Plan. Reprogrammed prior year funds in the amount of \$ |

Anticipated Resources

| Program | Source of Funds | Uses of Funds | Expected Amount Available Year 1 | | | | Expected Amount Available Remainder of ConPlan \$ | Narrative Description |
|---------|-----------------|---------------|----------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------------|-----------|---|---|
| | | | Annual Allocation: \$ | Program Income: \$ | Prior Year Resources: \$ | Total: \$ | | |
| | | | | | | | | 1,496,173.11 were initially awarded to the Immokalee CRA, Pathways Early Education Center and Bayshore CRA as subrecipients in PY 2024 which included a large-scale multi-phase project. Planning is still ongoing for the project, but funds will not be expended until 2026. CDBG does not require a match. |

Anticipated Resources

| Program | Source of Funds | Uses of Funds | Expected Amount Available Year 1 | | | | Expected Amount Available Remainder of ConPlan \$ | Narrative Description |
|---------|------------------|---|----------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------------|-----------|---|---|
| | | | Annual Allocation: \$ | Program Income: \$ | Prior Year Resources: \$ | Total: \$ | | |
| HOME | public - federal | Multifamily Rental New Construction; Multifamily Rental Rehab; TBRA; CHDO; Homebuyer Assistance | \$759,078 | \$31,571 | \$0 | \$790,649 | \$0 | HOME Entitlement program funds will be used to exclusively create or preserve affordable housing for Collier County's low-income and vulnerable populations. In PY25, the County will utilize HOME funds to provide housing assistance through the down-payment assistance program, |

Anticipated Resources

| Program | Source of Funds | Uses of Funds | Expected Amount Available Year 1 | | | | Expected Amount Available Remainder of ConPlan \$ | Narrative Description |
|---------|-----------------|---------------|----------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------------|-----------|---|--|
| | | | Annual Allocation: \$ | Program Income: \$ | Prior Year Resources: \$ | Total: \$ | | |
| | | | | | | | | tenant-based rental assistance, and for the required CHDO set-aside. PY25 is the fifth and final year of the 2021-2025 Consolidated Plan, therefore no funds will remain available under this Consolidated Plan. Any program income generated during PY25, or funds carried forward from PY21-25 will be available under the new 2025- |

Anticipated Resources

| Program | Source of Funds | Uses of Funds | Expected Amount Available Year 1 | | | | Expected Amount Available Remainder of ConPlan \$ | Narrative Description |
|---------|-----------------|---------------|----------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------------|-----------|---|---|
| | | | Annual Allocation: \$ | Program Income: \$ | Prior Year Resources: \$ | Total: \$ | | |
| | | | | | | | | 2029 Consolidated Plan. The HOME program will leverage additional resources from private, state, and local funds in fulfillment of the program's requirement for a 25% matching contribution. |

Anticipated Resources

| Program | Source of Funds | Uses of Funds | Expected Amount Available Year 1 | | | | Expected Amount Available Remainder of ConPlan \$ | Narrative Description |
|---------|------------------|--|----------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------------|-----------|---|--|
| | | | Annual Allocation: \$ | Program Income: \$ | Prior Year Resources: \$ | Total: \$ | | |
| ESG | public - federal | Overnight Shelter; Rapid Re-Housing; Rental Assistance; Prevention Services; Street Outreach | \$214,074 | \$0 | \$0 | \$214,074 | \$0 | ESG Entitlement program funds will be used to provide shelter for those experiencing homelessness and to provide housing security for those homeless and at-risk of becoming homeless. PY25 is the fifth and final year of the 2021-2025 Consolidated Plan, therefore no funds will remain available under this Consolidated |

Anticipated Resources

| Program | Source of Funds | Uses of Funds | Expected Amount Available Year 1 | | | | Expected Amount Available Remainder of ConPlan \$ | Narrative Description |
|---------|-----------------|---------------|----------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------------|-----------|---|--|
| | | | Annual Allocation: \$ | Program Income: \$ | Prior Year Resources: \$ | Total: \$ | | |
| | | | | | | | | Plan. Any program income generated during PY25, or funds carried forward from PY21-25, will be available under the new 2025-2029 Consolidated Plan. The ESG program requires 100%, dollar for dollar, match. The County also provides match support for the ESG program from the general fund. |

Table 5 - Expected Resources – Priority Table

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

Leveraging

Collier County will continue to leverage grant funds with other public and private resources to maximize impact for beneficiaries. Leveraging resources aligns goals cross departmentally and supports interagency collaboration for community revitalization. Collier County routinely emphasizes to applicants the need to leverage federal funds with local funds to stretch the benefit of the federal dollars. These efforts have been successful, and projects funded under CDBG, HOME, and ESG have substantially exceeded accomplishments that could not have been achieved by using federal funds alone.

The County requires applicants for entitlement funds to outline any leveraged funds and offers bonus points in the award process for the degree to which this is achieved. Also, in the application process, the County rewards collaborative projects with additional points, which may also constitute leverage. Collier County has further added leverage of funds as a performance indicator for the CHS Division and it is published and tracked in the County budget documents.

Federal funds also leverage state funds received through the State Housing Initiative Partnership (SHIP) program, which is used to meet the housing needs of low- and moderate-income households and expand or preserve the availability of affordable housing. Collier County anticipates having SHIP funds available during the 2025 program year to be used for a wide variety of rental, owner occupied, or homeownership programs. The County was awarded \$3,135,160 for 2025-2026.

CDBG funds awarded to public services providers help to leverage additional public and/or private funding that provide services to the community. An example of leveraging by public services non-profits are state funds received from the Department of Children and Families which support CDBG programs.

HOME Match

The HOME program requires a 25% local match for any HOME funds drawn. In recent years, the County's match liability was reduced in accordance with regulations allowing for match reductions by HUD if the County is distressed or suffered a presidentially declared disaster. Due to hurricane impacts, HUD previously granted the County a 100% match reduction. However, the County continued to contribute to the match liability through various methods and those contributions will be used towards satisfying the County's match requirements for PY 2025.

The County may also use State Housing Initiatives Partnership (SHIP) dollars to satisfy match requirements. SHIP funds, which are provided by the State of Florida to support the production and preservation of affordable housing, can be used as an eligible source of non-federal match when leveraged with HOME dollars. This approach not only maximizes the impact of both funding sources but also helps ensure that the County's affordable housing goals are met more efficiently.

ESG Match

ESG regulations require grant recipients to make matching contributions equivalent to the ESG annual award- or a 100% match. Collier County requires all ESG subrecipients to provide a dollar-for-dollar match. Matching funds may include contributions to any of the County's ESG programs, including funds awarded to a subrecipient. The matching requirements are met per 24 CFR Part 576.201. The County's ESG allocation for 2025 is anticipated to be \$214,074. Community and Human Services requests at the time of application that expenditures are matched by applicant donations, in-kind contributions, other state and local funds, as well as private and foundation donations. ESG subrecipients can also satisfy the match with volunteer hours. The County also provides match support for the ESG program from the general fund.

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 County has a history of utilizing public property for affordable housing. The County is continually looking at its inventory for what can be utilized for affordable housing development, as well as land owned by other public agencies, to determine whether certain properties are well suited for affordable housing.

The Collier County Surtax Land Acquisition Fund has secured 7.5 acres for the development of affordable housing as part of the upcoming Ekos Creekside project. Located on Collier Blvd in Naples, Florida, Ekos Creekside will feature 82 newly constructed units, addressing the critical need for workforce housing in the area. The project is being developed by McDowell Housing Partners.

Collier County recently approved \$10 million in funding for a new workforce housing project at the former Golden Gate Golf Course, now county owned land. The project will consist of 352 units with 252 units of workforce housing and 100 units of senior housing. Workforce housing is for essential service workers, including government employees, healthcare professionals, and educators. The project is designed to provide affordable housing options in a region where nearly 50,000 households are considered cost-burdened, spending more than 30% of their income on housing.

Collier County previously provided a land donation for the Ekos on Santa Barbara project, an affordable housing project funded by county Affordable Housing fund dollars from the General Fund, multi-family revenue bonds, and 4% LIHTC tax credits. Ekos on Santa Barbara is an 82-unit, new construction project located in Naples, Florida that will provide workforce housing to households making between 30-80% of Area Medium Income. Collier County partnered with McDowell Housing Partners on a 99-year ground lease and provided the land for the project. The eighty-two affordable housing units are now open and 100% occupied.

Florida Statutes Section 166.0451, Disposition of municipal property for affordable housing, requires that the County create an inventory list of real property with fee simple title appropriate for affordable housing. In compliance with the statute, Collier County maintains the inventory of county-owned surplus land that are potential properties for the development of permanent affordable housing. The County may partner with nonprofit organizations that develop affordable housing for low-income households. The disposition of any of these properties for affordable housing is subject to the discretion of the County.

Annual Goals and Objectives

AP-20 Annual Goals and Objectives

Goals Summary Information

| Sort Order | Goal Name | Start Year | End Year | Category | Geographic Area | Needs Addressed | Funding | Goal Outcome Indicator |
|------------|--|------------|----------|--------------------|-----------------|-------------------------------------|--|--|
| 1 | Administration & Planning | 2021 | 2025 | Administration | Countywide | Program Administration and Planning | CDBG: \$535,450.80 HOME: \$79,065.00 (Determined by allocation plus program income) ESG: \$16,055.55 | N/A |
| 2 | Support New Construction, Rehab/Acquisition - Rental | 2021 | 2025 | Affordable Housing | Countywide | Housing Affordability | CDBG: \$1,677,369.85 | Rental Units Rehabilitated: 79 Household Housing Units Other: 100 Households |
| 3 | New Construction, Rehab/Acquisition - Homeownership | 2021 | 2025 | Affordable Housing | Countywide | Housing Affordability | HOME: \$587,623.23 | Homeowner Housing Added: 6 Households Assisted |

| Sort Order | Goal Name | Start Year | End Year | Category | Geographic Area | Needs Addressed | Funding | Goal Outcome Indicator |
|------------|---|------------|----------|-----------------------------------|-----------------|--|----------------------|--|
| 4 | Provide Public Services | 2021 | 2025 | Non-Housing Community Development | Countywide | Public Services | CDBG: \$301,588.10 | Public Service Activities Other Than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 202 Persons Assisted |
| 5 | Improve Public Infrastructure | 2021 | 2025 | Non-Housing Community Development | Countywide | Public Infrastructure Improvements | CDBG: \$1,659,018.36 | Public Facility or Infrastructure Activities Other Than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 25,624 Persons Assisted |
| 6 | Emergency Housing and Services for the Homeless | 2021 | 2025 | Homeless | Countywide | Homelessness & Homelessness Prevention | ESG: \$198,018.45 | Homelessness Prevention: 197 Persons Assisted (7 TBRA, 190 Shelter) |
| 7 | Tenant Based Rental Assistance | 2021 | 2025 | Affordable Housing | Countywide | Housing Affordability | HOME: \$10,100 | Tenant-Based Rental Assistance/Rapid Rehousing: 1 Household Assisted |
| 8 | CHDO | 2021 | 2025 | Affordable Housing | Countywide | Housing Affordability | HOME: \$113,861.78 | Rental Units Constructed: 2 Household Housing Units |

Table 6 – Goals Summary

Goal Descriptions

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| 1 | Goal Name | Administration & Planning |
| | Goal Description | Administration and Planning for the CDBG, HOME and ESG Programs. |
| 2 | Goal Name | Support New Construction, Rehab/Acquisition – Rental |
| | Goal Description | Funds will be used to support new construction, rehabilitation, or acquisition of affordable housing for rental housing. |
| 3 | Goal Name | New Construction, Rehab/Acquisition – Homeownership |
| | Goal Description | Funds will be used to promote homeownership through the provision of purchase assistance to eligible homebuyers. |
| 4 | Goal Name | Provide Public Services |
| | Goal Description | Funds will be used to provide services to low-income persons and special needs groups such as the elderly and persons with a disability. These activities will target populations with high needs. |
| 5 | Goal Name | Improve Public Infrastructure |
| | Goal Description | Support ADA public infrastructure improvements to increase accessibility and improve safety for individuals with disabilities. Funds will also be used to improve a healthcare facility with the replacement of heating, ventilation and air conditioning units in Immokalee, FL. |
| 6 | Goal Name | Emergency Housing and Services for the Homeless |
| | Goal Description | Funds will be used to provide emergency shelter services, rapid rehousing and homeless prevention activities for homeless and at risk of homeless persons. Funds will also be used for street outreach services, which will connect unsheltered homeless individuals and families to emergency shelter, housing and/or critical health services. |
| 7 | Goal Name | Tenant Based Rental Assistance |
| | Goal Description | Funds will be used to provide rental subsidies for LMI and special needs households such as the elderly, and persons with a disability. |

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|---|-------------------------|---|
| 8 | Goal Name | CHDO |
| | Goal Description | Funds will be used to support new construction, rehabilitation, or acquisition of affordable housing for housing developed by a CHDO. |

Table 7 – Goals Descriptions

Estimate the number of extremely low-income, low-income, and moderate-income families to whom the jurisdiction will provide affordable housing as defined by HOME 91.315(b)(2)

The County proposes using CDBG, HOME, and ESG funds to directly support affordable housing for a total of 95 extremely low-income, low-income, and moderate-income households through funding the rehabilitation of rental units (79 households), providing rental assistance and funding rapid re-housing for those experiencing or at risk of homelessness (1 TBRA households and 7 RRH household), down-payment/homebuyer assistance (6 households), and partnering with the CHDO to construct new rental housing (2 units). Indirectly, the County will assist 290 extremely low-income, low-income, and moderate-income households or persons through funding pre-development costs for the new construction of rental housing (100 households) and through shelter and street outreach activities (190 persons). Income categories served are dependent on the activity and are determined at the time of eligibility verification. Income categories benefitted will be reported annually in the County’s Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER). In addition, the County funds public service activities that promote housing security for those experiencing homelessness or at-risk of homelessness.

Projects

AP-35 Projects – 91.220(d)

Introduction

In PY 2025, Collier County will fund a total of eight (8) projects under HUD CDBG, HOME, and ESG programs.

The County will undertake various projects and activities during PY 2025 focused on providing decent affordable housing, creating a suitable living environment, and expanding economic opportunity for residents. The County will utilize HUD CDBG, HOME, and ESG grant allocations to carry out activities intended to address priority needs in the community and ensure the greatest impact to beneficiaries.

CDBG projects include Affordable Housing, Public Facilities & Infrastructure, Public Services, Administration & Planning. CDBG has a grant cap of 20% for administration and 15% for public services. HOME projects include Non-CHDO Housing Development, CHDO Set-Aside and Administration & Planning. HOME has a grant cap of 10% for administration and 15% must be reserved for CHDO set-aside. ESG activities include emergency shelter operations support, rapid rehousing, homelessness prevention and street outreach activities, and administration which is capped at 7.5% of the annual allocation.

| PY 2025 Projects | |
|------------------|------------------------------------|
| CDBG | |
| 1 | Administration & Planning |
| 2 | Public Services |
| 3 | Public Facilities & Infrastructure |
| 4 | Affordable Housing |
| HOME | |
| 5 | Administration & Planning |
| 6 | CHDO Set-Aside Reserve |
| 7 | Non-CHDO Housing Development |
| ESG | |
| 8 | ESG25 Collier County |

In PY 2025, Collier County will fund a total of sixteen (16) activities, including administration and planning activities, through the CDBG, HOME, and ESG programs.

| PY 2025 Activities | |
|--------------------|---|
| CDBG | |
| 1 | Administration & Planning |
| 2 | Renaissance Hall Senior Living LLLP – New Rental Construction |
| 3 | Big Cypress – Main Street Village Rental Rehabilitation |

| | |
|-------------|--|
| 4 | Collier Health Services, Inc. – HVAC Replacement |
| 5 | Collier County – CHS ADA Improvements |
| 6 | Baker Senior Center Naples - Personnel |
| 7 | Housing Development Corporations of SW Florida dba HELP – Housing Navigator/Fair Housing |
| 8 | Sunrise Community of Southwest Florida, Inc. - Transportation |
| HOME | |
| 9 | Administration & Planning |
| 10 | CHDO Set-Aside Reserve |
| 11 | Tenant-Based Rental Assistance |
| 12 | Homebuyer Assistance (DPA) to include Project Delivery Costs |
| ESG | |
| 13 | Administration & Planning |
| 14 | CHS Rapid Re-Housing / Homelessness Prevention |
| 15 | CHS Street Outreach |
| 16 | The Shelter for Abused Women & Children – Shelter Operations |

Note: In the event that any of the HOME activities identified in the project or activity list and descriptions do not perform as anticipated and grant funds are returned, or in the event that additional funds become available, the County reserves the right to reprogram those funds for use in Tenant Based Rental Assistance and/or Homebuyer Assistance programs for low- and moderate-income households.

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

Allocation priorities for the PY 2025 Action Plan are consistent with those outlined in the Strategic Plan portion of the County’s 2021-2025 Consolidated Plan. The priorities were determined through a market analysis and needs assessment analyzing affordable housing, special needs housing, homelessness, and community revitalization needs in Collier County. Substantial participation by residents, local and regional organizations, and other stakeholders also informed these priorities.

The County made its funding decisions for this AAP based on need, geographic priorities, and opportunities to work with subrecipients and other partners that contribute additional resources to leverage federal funds. The County uses a ranking system to determine needs as low, medium, high, or no need. In ranking needs within the community, the County takes into consideration quantitative and qualitative The County assesses the amount of funding available, determines high need target areas, and considers which activities will best address those needs when deciding how to allocate funds. The priority ranking system is as follows:

- High Priority: Activities determined to be critical to addressing the immediate needs of the

community and will be funded during the five-year period.

- Medium Priority: Activities determined to be a moderate need and may be funded during the five-year period as funds are available.
- Low Priority: Activities determined as a minimal need and are not expected to be funded during the five-year period.

In the event of natural disasters, pandemics, and other worldwide crisis events (natural or manmade), the County may substantially amend the projects or activities in this Plan to meet the immediate needs of the community. It is the responsibility of the County to plan and be disaster prepared. For example, in the event of hurricanes the County may reprioritize from normal projects/activities to focus on infrastructure and facilities improvements, or increase public services, where allowable, in the case of a pandemic or other natural disaster. Under the State SHIP program, the County has an existing Disaster Assistance Strategy that goes into effect when a disaster declaration has been declared by the President of the United States or the Governor of the State of Florida. Collier County will also take advantage of federal waivers that may be issued in the event of declared disasters.

The primary obstacle to meeting underserved needs is the lack of sufficient financial resources. Annually several proposals may be unfunded or receive only partial funding due to lack of available resources.

The housing market impacts the ability to address housing needs. The market continues to shift and still has not fully recovered from the pandemic which caused an unprecedented housing boom that raised home values, interest rates, and rents. To offset costs, the County may have had to increase subsidies resulting in less homebuyers or renters being served through purchase assistance or tenant-based rental assistance programs. Inflation also increased the cost of labor and materials, reducing the number of affordable units that could be constructed with available resources.

The County is also currently lacking a key partnership with a local Community Housing Development Organization (CHDO) which could increase development and redevelopment opportunities. The County is working with a local organization to become a HUD certified CHDO and has previously been granted a CHDO waiver.

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

Collier County is an urban county that relies on widely accepted data such as American Community Survey (ACS), HUD low and moderate-income summary data (LMISD), and Federal Financial Institutions Examinations Council (FFIEC) data to determine areas throughout the community with concentrations of low and moderate-income communities. Program resources are allocated County-wide based on low-mod areas which often coincide with areas of minority concentration. Over the next year, the County intends to utilize CDBG, HOME, and ESG funds in unincorporated parts of the County and the City of Naples and City of Marco Island. Everglades City, an incorporated city within the County, opted out of participation in 2025.

The geographic distribution of the County's allocations will primarily be Countywide, however, the County targets resources in low-moderate income census block groups to meet regulatory requirements for CDBG grant funds and to focus on areas with the highest level of needs. Maps provided in the 2021-2025 Consolidated Plan show Collier County block groups where 51% or more of the population have incomes at or below 80% of the area median income. These areas are considered "target areas" for use of HUD grant funds for area improvements, such as public infrastructure or facility improvements. To determine these block groups the County used HUD CDBG Low Mod Income Summary Data (LMISD), which has defined the eligible tracts within the jurisdiction. The identified block group tracts within the County that are considered low-moderate income can be found on the HUD Exchange website at: <https://www.hudexchange.info/programs/acs-low-mod-summary-data/>.

A portion of HUD funds may be spent outside of these targeted areas, if activities funded provide services, affordable housing, or other benefits directly for low- and moderate-income households or special needs populations. In addition, Collier County may spend funds in current Opportunity Zones which align with HUD low-income target areas. These tracts include 104.11, 108.02, 112.05, 113.01, 114.

Geographic Distribution

| Target Area | Planned Percentage of Allocation | Narrative Description |
|-------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------|
| Countywide | 100% | Collier County boundaries. |

Table 8 - Geographic Distribution

Rationale for the priorities for allocating investments geographically

During the consolidated planning process, the County conducted a comprehensive housing needs assessment and market analysis to provide a better understanding of the trending community needs and identify geographical areas where funds should be directed. The analysis determined that various areas throughout the County suffer from a lack of affordable housing and that low-income and vulnerable

populations require social services to reduce poverty. During this process, the County also engaged with residents, public housing residents, neighborhood leaders, social service providers, and adjacent and regional government entities to identify geographical areas of need. Several areas disbursed throughout the County were identified, further supporting the need for a community wide approach to revitalization so that the County can respond to emerging needs or opportunities across multiple areas. The areas of need identified align with the CDBG “target areas”. Investing Countywide also supports revitalization growing more naturally based on community initiative, private investment, or local partnerships.

Discussion

Low-Income Households Concentration

A “low-income concentration” is any census tract where the Median Household Income (MHI) for the tract is 80% or less than the median household income for Collier County. According to the 2019-2023 ACS 5-Year Estimates (DP03), the MHI in the County is \$86,173. A tract is considered to have a low-income concentration if the MHI is \$68,938 or less. There are 27 tracts/block groups considered to be a low-income concentration. The majority of tracts with a concentration of low-income households are located in tracts east of Naples and near and around Immokalee. Tracts/block groups include: 7, 101.07, 102.11, 104.19, 104.21, 104.22, 105.08, 105.12, 105.14, 105.16, 105.17, 105.20, 106.01, 106.02, 106.05, 106.06, 107.01, 108.01, 108.04, 111.03, 111.14, 112.04, 112.05, 113.03, 113.05, 113.06, 114.

Affordable Housing

AP-55 Affordable Housing – 91.220(g)

Introduction

This section reports on affordable housing goals under 24 CFR 91.220(g), which may include activities undertaken in the CDBG, HOME, and ESG programs. The need for affordable rental and homeownership housing was a common theme heard during the Consolidated Plan development process. The greatest need is among renters with very-low incomes, large families, immigrant families, and residents with disabilities. Housing for people at-risk of homelessness was also identified as a priority need.

To address these needs in PY 2025, the County will utilize CDBG, HOME, and ESG in support of affordable housing activities through rental rehabilitation (79 HH), tenant-based rental assistance (1 HH), rapid re-housing/homelessness prevention (7 HH), new construction of rental units (2HH), and homebuyer assistance (6HH). Proposed goals for the number of households to be supported in PY 2025 through affordable housing activities are provided below.

| One Year Goals for the Number of Households to be Supported | |
|---|-----------|
| Homeless | 7 |
| Non-Homeless | 88 |
| Special-Needs | 0 |
| Total | 95 |

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

| One Year Goals for the Number of Households Supported Through | |
|---|-----------|
| Rental Assistance | 8 |
| The Production of New Units | 2 |
| Rehab of Existing Units | 79 |
| Acquisition of Existing Units | 6 |
| Total | 95 |

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

Discussion

The County will directly support affordable housing through the following projects:

Rental Assistance

- Tenant Based Rental Assistance – 1 Household Assisted
- Rapid Re-Housing – 7 Households Assisted (Homeless or At-Risk of Becoming Homeless)

Production of New Units

- CHDO Reserve Set-Aside – 2 Households Assisted

Rehab of Existing Units

- Big Cypress - Main Street Village Rental Rehab – 79 Households Assisted

Acquisition of Existing Units

- Homebuyer Assistance (DPA)– 6 Households Assisted

The County will also provide funds for pre-development costs for the construction of 100 affordable rental units for Renaissance Hall Senior Living. This is a multi-year project, and accomplishments will be reported when units are complete. It is important to note that while predevelopment costs by themselves do not directly equate to households being assisted yet — they are steps toward creating units or helping households in the future. These units are not counted in the table above.

The County will be supporting special needs units through its HUD allocation of HOME -ARP funds. The County will use funds for scattered site rental rehabilitation to provide supportive affordable housing to residents with a disabling condition (elderly, mental illness or substance use disorder, etc.) including homeless or at risk of homelessness. The County will also use HOME-ARP funds to provide tenant-based rental assistance to increase access to affordable rental housing. These units are not counted in the table above as proposed beneficiaries have been included in the PY 2021 AAP.

AP-60 Public Housing – 91.220(h)

Introduction

The Collier County Housing Authority (CCHA) is an independent authority established under state law and is separate from the general control of the County. The mission of the CCHA is to offer a choice of decent, safe, and diverse affordable housing, with opportunities for low-income households to achieve economic independence in living environments free from discrimination. The CCHA operates no HUD-funded public housing units and is not required by a Section 504 Voluntary Compliance Agreement to increase the number of accessible units. The CCHA manages Section 8 Housing Choice Vouchers, the low-income and farm labor housing at Farm Worker Village, farm labor housing at Collier Village, a 192-bed dormitory called Horizon Village, and some scattered site housing.

Farm Worker Village is a multi-family low-income and farm labor housing development in Immokalee built under the USDA 514/516 Program. The development includes 176 total acres with 591 housing units, ranging from single-family homes to duplexes and quadruplexes. Farm Worker Village has a main office, convenience store, laundromat, community center, playground, and two daycare centers.

Horizon Village offers 192 beds for unaccompanied migrants and seasonal farmworkers in dormitory-style efficiency units, each with space for eight people, a common kitchen area with appliances, and two bathrooms. A meeting room is available to provide social and educational programs.

The CCHA also administers approximately 440 Section 8 Housing Choice Vouchers (HCV).

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

Indirectly, the County funds public services that support the upward mobility of residents using Housing Choice Vouchers (HCV). Collier County Housing Authority (CCHA) administers the Housing Choice Voucher program. While the County will not provide direct funding to Collier County Housing Authority (CCHA) in the PY 2025 Annual Action Plan, the County continues to support CCHA through prior year funding for Tenant Based Rental Assistance. In PY 2025, the County will fund a housing navigator program through HELP which provides free housing and financial counseling and education services to assist in reducing housing cost burden and achieving self-sufficiency and financial stability. These services can also help prepare low-income individuals or families utilizing HCVS for homeownership. The County will fund and administer the CHS Tenant-Based Rental Assistance program which will help increase access to affordable rental housing and will help close the gap for the rental needs of residents on the HCV wait list.

The County has funded the CCHA recently to acquire multi-family units in the Naples area to rent to low-income families at affordable rent-rates and to install HVAC systems in Farm Workers Village.

The Farmworker Village (FWV) project provided HVAC to 42 units. The installation of efficient HVAC systems in the FWV housing units will not only improve the comfort of the families that currently reside

in the units, but it will also extend the property's service life to meet the needs of low-income households that cannot otherwise qualify or have the financial means to live in market-rate properties. The Housing Authority proposes to address these issues to ensure that these affordable housing units can maintain a vital role in the community for decades to come.

In addition, the County will continue to work with CCHA during PY 2025 to review annual plans for consistency with the County's Consolidated Plan.

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

The CCHA sponsors and supports self-sufficiency programs focused at helping their residents improve their economic situation and quality of life. The programs, Resident Opportunities and Self-Sufficiency (ROSS) and Family Self-Sufficiency (FSS), are voluntary self-sufficiency programs that provide participating families the opportunity to identify needs, improve skill sets, and work towards life goals, economic independence, and housing self-sufficiency programs provide families with:

- A plan specifically tailored to their family or individual goals including the goal for homeownership.
- A link to community organizations geared towards education, job training and placement programs, computer and financial literacy, and increased self-sufficiency.
- An advocate and supporter to help residents work through barriers preventing self-sufficiency.

The CCHA has a Section 8 Advisory Board. Interested voucher holders are encouraged to join, which gives them a formal opportunity to offer input on the voucher program to CCHA. The Board reviews CCHA's PHA plans and the agency's progress toward its goals.

The CCHA also posts notice of Board Meetings on its official website to give residents the opportunity to attend. The agenda is published to provide transparency and to encourage inclusion of residents and community members.

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

The Collier County Housing Authority is not designated as troubled and is considered a high performer.

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

Introduction

Collier County has identified increasing housing options for residents who are homeless and at risk of homelessness as a strategic priority. Long-term objectives include supporting emergency housing and supportive services, and the implementation of a coordinated entry system.

Collier County will utilize ESG funding for Emergency Shelter, Homelessness Prevention, Rapid Re-Housing, Street Outreach and ESG program administration. Funding for these programs is intended to benefit homeless persons and those at risk of homelessness. Projects selected for funding are designed to help shorten the period the client experiences homelessness, improve their ability to secure stable housing and prevent recurrent homeless episodes. Programs are designed to connect clients with the services necessary and rapidly to ensure they move from emergency shelter to transitional or permanent housing.

Describe the jurisdictions one-year goals and actions for reducing and ending homelessness including reaching out to homeless persons (especially unsheltered persons) and assessing their individual needs

Collier County participates in and works closely with the Southwest Florida (SWFL) Regional Coalition to End Homelessness, the lead agency of the Continuum of Care (CoC). A primary means by which the County reaches out to homeless persons, identifies individual needs, and understands the landscape of homelessness in the region, is through efficient data collection and analysis through the HMIS system. While Collier County no longer directly funds HMIS, the County supports HMIS data operations to ensure accurate tracking and reporting of the homeless population in Collier County.

In 2025, the Community and Human Services Division will administer homeless prevention, rapid rehousing activities, and street outreach services under the ESG program. In addition to these services, the County will fund The Shelter for Women & Children under the ESG program. The Shelter provides safe shelter, counseling, prevention and community education programs. All services are provided free of charge.

The County will continue to participate in bi-weekly meetings with the CoC to review the housing needs of homeless veterans and general homeless populations. These weekly meetings identify available resources to best facilitate connecting persons experiencing homelessness to available services and assist in housing placement through partnerships with other social service agencies.

Collier County also funds subrecipients that administer homelessness projects under the ESG program. The County works closely with area agencies to build trusting relationships with homeless persons living on the streets and in shelters as well as at-risk populations to remain stably housed. The area agencies perform assessments for homeless persons and those at risk of homelessness to link them to shelter and other supportive services that are appropriate to meet their needs. If a subrecipient is funded through Collier County ESG they are required to participate in coordinated entry. These organizations provide

emergency shelter, rental and utility assistance, food and clothing, and other homeless services to individuals, families with children, veterans, unaccompanied youth, and including persons with HIV.

Collier County will also continue to participate in the SWFL Regional Coalition to End Homelessness annual Point-in-Time (PIT) Count Survey. The PIT is a snapshot of the homeless population on any given night, typically in the last week of January each year. The survey results help to show the current state of homelessness in the County and identify which homeless subgroups (chronic, veterans, unaccompanied youth etc.) are in need of assistance. The survey is conducted to provide an annual count of sheltered and unsheltered homeless persons in Collier County meeting the following requirements: (1) unsheltered persons, the number of homeless persons who are living in places not designed or ordinarily used as a regular sleeping accommodation for humans, who must be counted as unsheltered homeless persons; (2) sheltered persons, persons living in emergency shelters and transitional housing projects; (3) other requirements established by HUD notification.

In Collier County, the 2024 Point in Time count tallied 660 individuals experiencing homelessness. Of these, 123 were utilizing transitional housing, while 131 found refuge in emergency shelters. Alarming, over two thirds of those counted were enduring unsheltered homelessness. A staggering 406 individuals were identified as residing in sanctioned or unsanctioned encampments, RVs, vehicles, makeshift structures, doorways, or other uninhabitable places—a marked 68% increase from 2023. The majority of this increase comprised single adults. Notably, the count identified a total of 1,665 homeless students, including 192 unaccompanied youth. Of these, 116 were under 16 years old, while 75 were over 16.

Addressing the emergency shelter and transitional housing needs of homeless persons

Collier County currently awards a portion of its ESG entitlement funds to a subrecipient for the operation of two emergency shelters. The County will provide ESG funding to the Shelter for Abused Women & Children to support operations of the Shelter's emergency shelter and outreach services in Naples and Immokalee. The Shelter's 60-bed emergency shelter addresses Collier County's priority to serve homeless individuals. The Shelter seeks to address this need in the community by providing emergency shelter that is available day and night, 365 days per year for homeless victims of domestic violence and human trafficking. In addition to its emergency shelter in Naples, The Shelter offers vital services that are free of charge to assist survivors in becoming safe and independent including wrap-around outreach services and educational programs. As the only state certified domestic violence center in Collier County, The Shelter offers unduplicated services that are not offered by any other agency in the community. These services are vital to helping survivors attain immediate safety from their abusers. Achieving immediate safety is the first step to moving forward and achieving independence, which eventually benefits the entire community.

In response to the HEARTH Act and 24 CFR part 576, Collier County, in collaboration with its subrecipients is working to prevent homelessness by helping families remain within their communities and retain their current permanent housing or diverting people to permanent housing solutions. The first step in this

process was to streamline the intake of homeless families seeking emergency shelter. The improved coordination has resulted in more families being diverted from homelessness and more families exiting homelessness and being rapidly re-housed in permanent housing. Other than the funds available through this process, emergency shelter and transitional housing needs may be addressed through grant funding opportunities, such as the competitive Continuum of Care process, or through other state or local funding streams.

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

Collier County will continue to administer the ESG grant funds and oversee activities that benefit homeless individuals and families who make the transition from homelessness to permanent housing and an independent living situation. To address this, the County will support rapid re-housing activities that will house individuals and families quickly and provide a stable environment for them to be able to pursue employment and stable education for families with children. The County will also use a portion of its HOME-ARP special allocation for tenant-based rental assistance to help those experiencing homelessness or at-risk of homelessness to achieve housing stability. SHIP funds also help to increase the supply of affordable housing through activities such as housing rehab and homebuyer assistance. Increasing the affordable housing stock in Collier County will help to provide permanent housing for homeless individuals and families seeking stable housing.

Community and Human Services includes the Veteran's Service operations to provide services to Veterans to assist them in accessing benefits from the Department of Veteran's Affairs. Local Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing (VASH) vouchers are provided through a regional partnership with the Housing Authority of the City of Fort Myers. The VASH program combines HUD's Housing Choice Voucher (HCV) rental assistance for homeless Veterans with case management and clinical services provided by the Department of Veterans Affairs. Collier County currently has several Veterans receiving rental assistance which helps their homes remain affordable and prevents homelessness.

The County's Social Services/Seniors Section continues to provide energy assistance, prescription and medical assistance and referral services for citizens and seniors. Assistance helps reduce monthly expenditures making housing costs more affordable for individuals and seniors on fixed incomes and helping to reduce homelessness.

Collier County encourages collaboration with organizations to transition as many people as possible into permanent housing as quickly as possible. Some families or individuals may require only limited assistance for a short period of time, such as emergency food and shelter -- until a first paycheck is received or a

medical emergency has passed. Others, however, require more comprehensive and long-term assistance, such as transitional housing with supportive services and job training. Due to limited resources, it is important for agencies to eliminate duplication of effort by local agencies, both in intake and assessment procedures and in subsequent housing and supportive services. The Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) is continuously improved with common intake forms, shared data, effective assessment instruments and procedures, and ongoing coordination of assistance among community organizations.

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.

Collier County and the SWFL Regional Coalition to End Homelessness recognize the need to support individuals and families avoid becoming homeless, especially those who are being discharged from publicly funded institutions and systems of care. Helping these individuals and families leaving these systems of care with housing support and prevention services immediately will help to end chronic homelessness.

ESG funds will be allocated to The Shelter for Abused Women and Children for operating costs of the homeless domestic violence shelters to assist adults and children fleeing from domestic violence. A variety of services are offered including the Children's Protection Investigations Program, the Community Education Program, Collier County Jail Group, youth services and Rapid Rehousing. More details on these programs and others offered by the agency, can be found on their website at: <https://naplesshelter.org/programs/>.

The Collier County Sheriff's Office offers reintegration services through the Collier County Jail. Reintegration Specialists meet with inmates one-on-one to ask them a series of questions to help assess their needs properly. During this interaction, staff get a detailed look at what the inmate's basic needs are and can assist them in meeting those needs by linking them with community partners. This ensures they have the best chance of success after release. Inmates can also be referred to some of the Inmate Programs that might fit their immediate needs while in jail. In addition to the one-on-one assistance, the Collier County Jail also has self-help programs on its Mobile Kiosks that assist inmates in areas of education, recovery, life skills and faith-based material.

AP-75 Barriers to affordable housing – 91.220(j)

Introduction:

Affordable housing is a challenge faced nationwide. It is important to foster and maintain affordable housing to keep the housing market balanced and fair. Collier County is committed to maintaining housing opportunities and to eliminating barriers to affordable housing.

Constant shifts in the housing market and lack of available resources have been significant barriers to affordable housing in Collier County. Post pandemic, the County's housing market has not corrected due to inflation. High home and land values and cost of labor and materials are impeding the development of affordable housing and high interest rates are deterring prospective homebuyers from homeownership. For those that are able to purchase a home, mortgages are unaffordable in part because of raised taxes and homeowner's insurance costs. High rental rates are also impacting the County's low-income population as affordable rental housing has been identified as a primary need.

Another challenge to creating and preserving affordable housing in Collier County is that household income is failing to keep up with rising housing costs. The local economy is focused on retail, hospitality, services, and agriculture; however, high housing costs have priced out much of the workforce needed for the County to function. The inventory of affordable housing in Collier County is not sufficient to meet the demand for affordable units.

The County's land development codes suggest that the residential zoning criteria for the jurisdiction are not inherently prohibitive, and yet there is general consensus among residents, planning officials, housing advocates, and other stakeholders that Collier County and Naples suffer from an affordability gap for both affordable and workforce housing. Currently, the County offers a density bonus, impact fee deferrals, and expedited permitting to support the increase of affordable housing.

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

The County has embarked on a planning initiative to develop additional incentives and programs to address affordable and workforce housing needs in the community. The County has an Affordable Housing Plan in place. The Affordable Housing Plan was accepted in October 2017 and County staff have been working to implement changes identified in the plan. The County will continue working towards achieving the Affordable Housing Plan goals. While not an exhaustive list of the report's recommendations, potential strategies the County has or will work on to reduce barriers to affordable housing include:

- Waiving or substantially reducing (rather than deferring) impact fees for affordable housing development for low- and moderate-income households;
- Allowing and encouraging the use of Accessory Dwelling Units;

- Prioritizing capital improvements in Immokalee;
- Providing guidance on suitable types of farmworker housing by zoning district;
- Improving code compliance efforts at mobile home parks in Immokalee;
- Revisions to the County's Local Housing Assistance Plan to require 30- or 50-year affordability periods, rather than the previous 15-year requirement. The County has changed the affordability period to 30 years; and
- Reviewing the use of Affordable Housing Density Bonus provisions, including determining how many units have been created under the provision and whether enforcement actions were taken against developers that neglected to provide the agreed upon units.

Beyond incentives to negate the effect of public policy, the County will further assist in reducing barriers to affordable housing by implementing various programs targeted towards low-and moderate-income households. Through its grant programs, the County will support affordable housing by supporting the new construction of rental units, funding scattered site rehabilitation of rental properties that provide supportive affordable housing to residents with a disabling condition (mental illness or substance use disorder, etc.) including homelessness or at risk of homelessness, and by offering rental assistance. These efforts assist in eliminating barriers to affordable housing by increasing the supply of and access to affordable units, minimizing overall household expenses to support affordability, and maintaining the existing affordable housing stock.

The County will also re-evaluate and adopt an Affordable Housing Incentive Plan as part of the Local Housing Assistance Plan (LHAP) for its SHIP program and will continue to receive affordable housing recommendations from the Affordable Housing Advisory Committee (AHAC). This committee must review policies established and adopted by the Board of County Commissioners.

In addition to the activities undertaken by the County, the Housing Authority's activities are specifically intended to address barriers to affordable housing by providing economic subsidies to those most in need of affordable housing. Towards this end, the Collier County Housing Authority continues to reduce the barriers to affordable housing by providing Housing Choice Vouchers and assistance programs aimed at transitioning residents from public housing into the private housing market.

As part of the preparation of the Growth Management Plan Housing Element update, the County also examined a broad range of existing rules, regulations, ordinances, codes, policies, procedures, permits, fees and charges that could serve as barriers to the provision of affordable housing and proposed solutions to address those barriers.

AP-85 Other Actions – 91.220(k)

Introduction:

In addition to the programs and activities described in the prior sections of this plan, the County and its subrecipients intend to undertake a number of other actions to address housing and community development needs in Collier County. These other actions include plans to address the obstacles in meeting underserved needs; efforts to foster and maintain affordable housing; efforts to reduce the hazards of lead-based paint in housing; efforts to reduce the number of poverty-level households; and improvements to the institutional delivery structure to address any gaps or weaknesses identified in the plan.

Actions planned to address obstacles to meeting underserved needs

The County will efficiently utilize resources to maximize benefit, even as addressing the underserved needs of residents continues to be increasingly difficult. Housing affordability is a priority and in the current market deep subsidies are needed. At this point, appropriations for housing programs are not at levels to widely support deep subsidies. Additionally, the number of families and individuals needing access to services has increased and many times the capacity to fund and implement existing or additional programs is limited.

To overcome these barriers, the County will continue to invest its state and federal funds into viable projects and combine and leverage other resources to continue providing residents with affordable housing options and to increase access to poverty reduction services. The County will continue to utilize CDBG, HOME, and ESG funds to the fullest extent to assist in meeting underserved needs.

To help remove obstacles to meeting underserved needs and improve service delivery, Collier County works with local non-profits and other subrecipients to coordinate the work of social service organizations, disseminate news and information, and spearhead community-wide solutions to local needs. Specifically, the County will work on projects that will support the development of affordable housing, reduce the cost of rental housing, and provide public services to low-income and vulnerable populations such as transportation for individuals with disabilities.

The County will also continue to work cooperatively with the CoC, Immokalee Interagency Council, Public Health Department, Collier County Housing Authority, and United Way of Collier County to continue to identify and address underserved and unmet needs.

Collier County will continue to collaborate with community leaders, stakeholders, and local nonprofit agencies to help remove obstacles to better meet the needs of the underserved population and improve service delivery. Through a coordinated effort with a variety of service providers, the County will be better able to identify needs and reduce any gaps in services. The County relies on nonprofit agencies to provide social services, disseminate news and information, and spearhead community-wide solutions to local

needs.

As limited funding is also an obstacle to meeting underserved needs, the County is continually looking for additional funding to address these needs. The County has ongoing State SHIP funds to address affordable housing and has received Drug Court funding from the Department of Justice. In PY 2025, CHS staff will continue exploring new grant opportunities using grants.gov and other sources and develop partnerships with local agencies as needed to make grant applications.

Actions planned to foster and maintain affordable housing

Collier County will actively work to address the need for more decent and affordable housing by continuing to prioritize the investment of funds into all its housing programs. In the interest of creating and preserving affordable housing, the County will support the use of HOME-ARP program funds for tenant-based rental assistance and scattered site rental housing rehabilitation and the use of CDBG funds for new construction assistance such as predevelopment costs, loan closing fees, and design costs for senior rental housing.

To promote fair housing choice, the County will encourage and support fair housing rights for all and provide program funds to conduct outreach and education regarding the Fair Housing Law act of 1968. The County will also be updating its Fair Housing Plan (formerly Analysis of Impediments) starting in 2025 and a draft will be available in 2026. The new Housing Choice Plan will provide a comprehensive review of barriers to fair and affordable housing and provide actionable steps in reducing impediments to fair housing choice, particularly for protected class members.

Per state regulation, the County will also continue to develop an inventory of surplus lands and will assess parcels to donate to affordable housing developers to create and expand affordable homeownership and/or rental housing opportunities for low-income residents.

Activities proposed in the PY 2025 Annual Action Plan demonstrate continued efforts to provide decent housing for vulnerable populations, including the homeless, elderly and homeowners with a severe cost burden by: providing funding for housing rehabilitation; supporting social service organizations that provide temporary housing, transitional housing and counseling services to the homeless population and to those at risk of becoming homeless.

Actions planned to reduce lead-based paint hazards

Collier County will continue to implement countermeasures to reduce lead-based paint hazards by abating or removing lead-based paint hazards found in existing housing built prior to 1978. Individuals who reside in properties built prior to 1978 and receive assistance through CDBG, HOME, or ESG grant programs are required to be inspected for lead-based paint hazards. These inspections are completed by a HUD Certified

Inspector in accordance with HUD and Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) guidelines.

Collier County also educates the public on the hazards of lead-based paint and how to protect children and the elderly. In response to lead-based paint hazards and the limited resources available, the County has planned a steady, long-term response in accordance with Federal lead-based paint standards, other applicable federal regulations, and local property standards. Policies and procedures for abatement of lead hazards have been established in Collier County, which include determining cost effectiveness for abatement and procedures for assessing, contracting, and inspecting post-abatement work. The policies and procedures also include preparing work write-ups and costs estimates for all income eligible persons in Collier County with identified lead-based paint hazards.

The County's health department is the lead agency responsible for conducting lead screenings and identifying properties in need of rehabilitation to reduce exposure to lead-based paint. The County will continue to comply with Federal regulations related to lead-based paint, including in CCHA units. Much of Collier County's housing stock was built between the 1980s and 2000s, and there are very few properties with lead-based paint, however the County will ensure the age of structures when assistance is provided and take any actions needed in cases where lead-based paint hazards may be present.

Actions planned to reduce the number of poverty-level families

All the programs outlined in the Consolidated Plan and related PY 2025 Action Plan are intended to provide benefits to residents that are considered low-income and/or fall below the federal poverty line. The Community Development Block Grant Program's objectives are to develop viable communities that provide decent, safe, and sanitary housing, a suitable living environment, and expanded economic opportunities primarily for persons of low- and moderate-income. The County utilizes its CDBG program to make a difference in the lives of its residents by providing resources to address unique community development needs. The County's HOME and SHIP programs are utilized to help increase the supply of affordable housing for low- to moderate- income households. The County's housing programs help to reduce housing costs for low-income families and assist in reducing the overall poverty level of the community. Programs include rental subsidies, rehabilitation of rental units, and support of rental housing development.

Collier County also provides funds to The Shelter for Abused Women and Children which offers emergency shelter facilities and essential services for homeless prevention to assist in reducing the number of households living below the poverty level.

The County is proud of its work to eliminate cost burden and targets resources in an effective and coordinated manner. In addition to combatting poverty through its housing and community development programs, the County has two designated CRAs and continues to focus much of its HUD funding in those areas. By doing so, the County leverages complementary initiatives aimed at workforce development, business development, public infrastructure and community programming initiatives, and other quality of life features that connect persons living in poverty with services, and opportunities to lift those families

out of poverty.

Other actions and strategies the County will employ to reduce the number of poverty-level families includes:

1. Supporting the collaborative efforts of the service providers in Collier County to attract new business and industry to Collier.
2. Supporting the efforts of the Chamber of Commerce to target certain segments of the economy for business development/job creation.
3. Encouraging nonprofit organizations to expand housing development programs to incorporate job-training opportunities as a part of their operations.
4. Promoting the use of referral services for the existing Human Service Centers which involves a partnership with many human service agencies, including job referrals.
5. Working to develop a CHDO to meet the requirements of the designation in order to develop affordable housing for low/moderate income persons.
6. Participating in the development of a regional social service collaborative to coordinate the work of social service organizations, disseminate news and information, eliminate duplication of efforts, and spearhead community-wide solutions to local needs.
7. Using enhanced accomplishment data as a criterion in the evaluation of applications for ESG funding.
8. Supporting any expansion of local transit service and/or for express transit service.

Actions planned to develop institutional structure

The Collier County Community and Human Services Division (CHS) administers, plans, and manages all facets of the HUD grants for Collier County to ensure that all aspects of the grant programs perform in a concerted manner. CHS will work as the housing and community development liaison between the County, local public housing, participating cities, state agencies, and nonprofit and community-based organizations. Collier County recognizes the need to maintain a high level of coordination on projects involving other departments and/or nonprofit organizations. This collaboration guarantees an efficient use of resources with maximum output in the form of accomplishments.

Collier County's Affordable Housing Advisory Committee (AHAC) represents the most substantial partnership designed to develop institutional structure to address affordable housing challenges. AHAC is composed of representatives from the residential home building, banking/ mortgage lending, labor, low-income advocacy, social service, real estate, employer, and local planning industries. These representatives serve as an informed body of experts with unique perspectives on the local landscape of affordable housing needs and market dynamics in Collier County.

The County also partners with the SWFL Regional Coalition to End Homelessness and is a regular participant in CoC meetings. The County contributes and participates at the requested levels to aid the Coalition in addressing the homeless situation that exists in the area.

The County has continued to focus on its mental health and substance abuse treatment services to better serve clients who have both types of needs. The County has instituted an opioid drug response team that helps to improve communication between all levels of those in the medical, mental health and substance abuse and government agencies.

The County is also working to establish a Community Housing Development Organization (CHDO) to partner with to carry out housing development activities. This will increase capacity and the institutional structure to carry out HOME programs.

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

The County will work to foster collaboration through dissemination of services, news, and information across webpages, social service organizations, subcontractors, and public and private entities. Collier County offers a website, www.colliercountyhousing.com, that provides valuable information on affordable housing, rental assistance programs, homebuyer assistance, SHIP and HOME initiatives, as well as incentives for developers. In addition, Collier County will enhance coordination through subrecipient meetings that bring together affordable housing developers and social service agencies.

There is a quarterly housing alliance meeting hosted by the Collier County Community Land Trust and they bring together legislators, commissioners, philanthropic organizations, and developers to address affordable housing issues and strategies to implement partnerships and pending and upcoming legislation at the state and local level.

The County will encourage community-based solutions and regional partnerships and will continue to support and participate in the CoC, whose membership includes both affordable housing and social service agencies.

Program Specific Requirements

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

Introduction:

This section provides information required by regulations governing the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program, the HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME) program, and the Emergency Solutions Grants (ESG) program.

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.

| | |
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| 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

| | |
|---|---------|
| 1. The amount of urgent need activities | 0 |
| 2. 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. | 100.00% |

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:**

Not applicable. Collier County does not anticipate using any other forms of investment beyond those identified in Section 92.205.

- 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:**

The County's Recapture Provisions permit the original homebuyer to sell the property to any willing buyer, at any price the market will bear, during the period of affordability while the County is able to recapture all, or a portion of the HOME assistance provided to the original homebuyer.

Collier County utilizes a recapture policy in compliance of 24 CFR 92.254. The affordability period is determined based upon the amount of HOME Investment Partnerships Program funds invested into an individual project. HOME Regulations set three minimum tiers of affordability periods.

When a homeowner chooses to sell or use the property for non-eligible HOME Program activities during the Period of Affordability, the full amount of the HOME Program Direct Subsidy shall be recaptured and repaid to Collier County provided that net proceeds are sufficient. If net proceeds are insufficient to repay the total HOME investment due, only the actual net proceeds will be recaptured. In the event that net proceeds are zero (as is usually the case with foreclosure), the recapture provision still applies. Recaptured funds shall be returned to Collier County to reinvest in other affordable housing projects for low- to moderate-income persons.

The County's Resale Provisions shall ensure that when a HOME-assisted homebuyer sells or otherwise transfers his or her property, either voluntarily or involuntarily, during the affordability period:

- 1) The property is sold to another low-income homebuyer who will use the property as his or her principal residence.
- 2) The original homebuyer receives a fair return on investment, (i.e., the homebuyer's down payment plus capital improvements made to the house); and
- 3) The property is sold at a price that is "affordable for a reasonable range of low-income buyers."

The County's Recapture and Resale Provisions are included in full in the Appendix.

- 3. A description of the guidelines for resale or recapture that ensures the affordability of units acquired with HOME funds, As outlined in 24 CFR 92.254(a)(4) are as follows:**

Development Subsidy – a development subsidy is defined as financial assistance provided by the County to offset the difference between the total cost of producing a housing unit and the fair market value of the unit. When provided independently and absent any additional subsidy that could be classified a direct subsidy, development subsidy triggers resale.

Direct Subsidy – a direct subsidy is defined as financial assistance provided by the County that reduces the purchase price for a homebuyer below market value or otherwise subsidizes the homebuyer [i.e., down-payment loan, purchase financing, assistance to CHDO to develop and sell unit below market or closing cost assistance]. A direct subsidy triggers recapture.

Net Proceeds – the sales price minus superior loan repayment (other than HOME funds) and any closing costs.

The County's Recapture and Resale Provisions are included in full in the Appendix.

- 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:**

Not applicable. Collier County has no plans to use HOME funds to refinance existing debt secured by multifamily housing rehabilitated with HOME funds.

- 5. If applicable to a planned HOME TBRA activity, a description of the preference for persons with special needs or disabilities. (See 24 CFR 92.209(c)(2)(i) and CFR 91.220(l)(2)(vii)).**

Pursuant to 24 CFR 92.209(c)(2)(i), the County has provided a preference for persons with a special need, which includes the elderly and persons at risk of homelessness. The County will administer HOME TBRA.

- 6. If applicable to a planned HOME TBRA activity, a description of how the preference for a specific category of individuals with disabilities (e.g. persons with HIV/AIDS or chronic mental illness) will narrow the gap in benefits and the preference is needed to narrow the gap in benefits and services received by such persons. (See 24 CFR 92.209(c)(2)(ii) and 91.220(l)(2)(vii)).**

Collier County has provided a preference for the elderly and persons at risk of homelessness with HOME program funds. HOME funds will provide tenant-based rental assistance for persons who are elderly and those with special needs who are in extremely low and low-income households and who are also experiencing homelessness or are unstably housed. This preference is needed to narrow the gap in benefits for this group as it will prevent homelessness and allow them to be stably housed and

continue living independently in place while working towards self-sustainability.

7. **If applicable, a description of any preference or limitation for rental housing projects. (See 24 CFR 92.253(d)(3) and CFR 91.220(l)(2)(vii)). Note: Preferences cannot be administered in a manner that limits the opportunities of persons on any basis prohibited by the laws listed under 24 CFR 5.105(a).**

In accordance with 24 CFR 92.253(d)(3), an owner of the rental housing assisted with HOME funds must comply with the affirmative marketing requirements established by Collier County (PJ) pursuant to 24 CFR 92.351(a). The owner of the rental housing project must adopt and follow written tenant selection policies and criteria, which include that it may give a preference to a particular segment of the population, if permitted in its written agreement with the PJ, such as persons with a disability or other special needs. However, at this time there is no limit to eligibility or preference given to any particular segment of the population with rental housing projects funded by the County's HOME funds. HOME funds however must target low- to moderate-income households. The County does not discriminate and provides equal access to all eligible households in the HOME program.

Describe eligible applicants (e.g. categories of eligible applicants), its process for soliciting and funding applications or proposals (e.g. competition, first-come first serve) and where detailed information may be obtained (e.g. application packages are available at the office of the jurisdiction or on the jurisdiction website).

An annual competitive application process is used to solicit subrecipient agencies. Eligible applicants for HOME rental housing funds typically include entities that have the capacity to develop, own, or manage affordable rental housing in accordance with HOME program requirements. These applicants may include non-profit organizations, Community Housing Development Organizations (CHDOs), public housing agencies, private for-profit developers, and units of local government. All applicants must demonstrate the ability to comply with federal regulations related to affordability periods, tenant protections, and property standards. Notice of Funding is disseminated through public notice in the local newspaper, on the County website, and relayed directly to existing partner agencies at quarterly partnership meetings. Applications are accepted through an online portal connected to the County's grant management software via a link on the County website. When the application period has closed, complete applications are forwarded to a Review & Ranking committee for scoring and recommendations of award (Community & Human Services Division employees do not participate in the selection process).

Once awarded, the subrecipient agreement requires the partner agency to qualify applicants for assistance and adhere to the tenant selection criteria found at 24 CFR 92.253(d). The County considers applicants to be eligible when they meet income eligibility criteria and other federal requirements as outlined in the tenant selection criteria.

Collier County uses subrecipients to administer HOME construction projects. This year, Community & Human Services will administer HOME Tenant Based Rental Assistance, HOME Homebuyer

Assistance and HOME-ARP Tenant-Based Rental Assistance as no applications were submitted by subrecipients.

Community & Human Services' current HOME Policies and Procedures manual includes a CHS Tenant Selection Policy & Procedure as well as the requirement for the subrecipient to provide a Tenant Policy Manual.

Indicate if the County plans to limit the beneficiaries or give preferences to a segment of the low-income population.

The County is only limited to the funds available in the HOME program and does not have a preference; however, all beneficiaries of the HOME program must meet income eligibility requirements.

Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG)

Reference 91.220(l)(4)

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

Collier County's ESG Policy and Procedures Manual is attached as an appendix to this Plan.

2. Describe amount of ESG funds budgeted for street outreach and emergency shelter activities (note cannot exceed the greater of 60% of the jurisdiction's fiscal year ESG grant).

The County's FY 2025 ESG grant annual allocation is \$214,074. In PY 2025 the County budgeted \$65,000 (30.4%) for Emergency Shelter services through The Shelter for Abused Women & Children and \$30,000 (14%) for Street Outreach services for a total of \$95,000 for these activities. Under ESG guidelines, no more than 60% of the FY25 ESG grant may be allocated towards these activities. The County has also budgeted \$16,055.55 (7.5%) for admin of the ESG program, and the balance of \$103,018.45 towards Rapid Rehousing and Homelessness Prevention activities.

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

Coordinated Entry is a streamlined system designed to efficiently match people experiencing homelessness or those at risk of homelessness to available housing, shelter, and services. It prioritizes those who are most in need of assistance and provides crucial information that helps the Continuum of Care strategically allocate resources. Anyone seeking homelessness or homelessness prevention services in Collier County will complete a coordinated entry assessment which is subsequently evaluated for services.

4. 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 County provides a competitive process for awarding all entitlement funding. This is widely advertised formally, via email, and at partnership meetings. A review and ranking committee reviews applications for merit and compliance. The CoC is provided an opportunity to support or not support an application. Eventually, the recommended awardees are noted in the Annual Action Plan. All public comment requirements are followed. The Annual Action Plan is presented to the Board of County Commissioners for approval, and then to HUD. The process is as follows:

a) Identification of community development issues, needs, and concerns through community meetings and citizen input.

b) Formulation of community development goals and preliminary strategies, i.e., staff and citizens.

c) Dissemination of Grant Funds information to agencies and individuals.

d) Submission of Project applications.

e) Project Selection: Review of project applications by review committee, Present recommendations to the Board of County Commissioners, Public Hearing, and Final Selection sent to HUD.

5. 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.

Collier County meets the homeless participation requirement found in 24 CFR 576.405(a) through the Continuum of Care, which is led by the SWFL Regional Coalition to End Homelessness. The CoC comments on funding applications and considers policies regarding homeless facilities and services. Other organizations representing the homeless provided input for the Consolidated Planning process, and a focus group was held at the Shelter for Abused Women and Children to gather input about housing and community development priorities. The County will continue to secure consultation with homeless or formerly homeless individuals, along with local organizations that represent and provide services to the homeless.

6. Describe performance standards for evaluating ESG.

Performance standards provide a measure for Collier County to evaluate the effectiveness of each ESG service provider in the areas of (a) Targeting those who need assistance most; (b) Reducing the number of people living on the streets or in emergency shelters; (c) Reducing the time people spend homeless; and (d) Reducing clients' housing barriers or housing stability risks.

In addition, the County evaluates the success of ESG programs by reviewing Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) data. Subrecipients are required to submit regular reports which are reviewed by staff. These reports are used to ensure ESG compliance with regulations and local written standards as well as confirming that program goals are being met. ESG programs are also subjected to "on-site monitoring." The County has a Monitoring Group to monitor the ESG programs. This group has participated in over 100 federal grant evaluation designs, evaluation projects, and implementation of evaluation plans. The basis for monitoring is to address findings and provide recommendations for program improvements.

Collier County will also evaluate each ESG service provider's performance based on the following standards:

a) Subrecipients will develop and adhere to priorities for service delivery by need.

b) Subrecipients will assist clients in rapid movement to permanent housing from shelters or from

the street.

c) Subrecipients will ensure that clients have easy access to services.

d) Subrecipients will provide comprehensive case management to address a spectrum of needs for each client.

Application for Federal Assistance SF-424

* 1. Type of Submission:

- ☐ Preapplication
☒ Application
☐ Changed/Corrected Application

* 2. Type of Application:

- ☒ New
☐ Continuation
☐ Revision

* If Revision, select appropriate letter(s):

* Other (Specify):

* 3. Date Received:

05/14/2025

4. Applicant Identifier:

5a. Federal Entity Identifier:

HUD

5b. Federal Award Identifier:

B-25-UC-12-0016

State Use Only:

6. Date Received by State:

7. State Application Identifier:

8. APPLICANT INFORMATION:

* a. Legal Name: Collier County Board of County Commissioners

* b. Employer/Taxpayer Identification Number (EIN/TIN):

59-6000558

* c. UEI:

JWKJKYRPLL06

d. Address:

* Street1: 3339 Tamiami Trail East

Street2: Community & Human Services Division, Suite 213

* City: Naples

County/Parish: Collier

* State: FL: Florida

Province:

* Country: USA: UNITED STATES

* Zip / Postal Code: 34112-5361

e. Organizational Unit:

Department Name:

Public Services

Division Name:

Community & Human Services

f. Name and contact information of person to be contacted on matters involving this application:

Prefix: Mrs.

* First Name:

Kristi

Middle Name:

* Last Name:

Sonntag

Suffix:

Title: Director, Community & Human Services

Organizational Affiliation:

* Telephone Number: 239-252-2486

Fax Number: 239-252-2638

* Email: kristi.sonntag@colliercountyfl.gov

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:

Entitlement Grant - Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)

*** 12. Funding Opportunity Number:**

14.218

* Title:

Entitlement Grant - 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:**

Community Development Block Grant Program and Administrative Activities - County-wide, as outlined in the PY2025 Annual Action Plan

Attach supporting documents as specified in agency instructions.

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Application for Federal Assistance SF-424

16. Congressional Districts Of:

* a. Applicant **14,25**

* b. Program/Project **14,25**

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

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17. Proposed Project:

* a. Start Date: **10/01/2025**

* b. End Date: **09/30/2026**

18. Estimated Funding (\$):

| | |
|---------------------|---------------------|
| * a. Federal | 2,677,254.00 |
| * b. Applicant | 0.00 |
| * c. State | 0.00 |
| * d. Local | 0.00 |
| * e. Other | 0.00 |
| * f. Program Income | 0.00 |
| * g. TOTAL | 2,677,254.00 |

* 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

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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: **Mr.** * First Name: **Burt**

Middle Name:

* Last Name: **Saunders**

Suffix:

* Title: **Chairman**

* Telephone Number: **(239)252-8603** Fax Number:

* Email: **Burt.Saunders@CollierCountyFL.gov**

* Signature of Authorized Representative: *Burt H. Saunders* Date Signed: **7/18/25**

ATTEST:
CRYSTAL K. KAZEL, CLERK
by *[Signature]* Deputy Clerk

Attest as to Chairman's
signature only

CAO

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;
2. If any funds other than Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid 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 this Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement, it will complete and submit Standard Form-LLL, "Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying," in accordance with its instructions; and
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.

ATTEST:
CRYSTAL K. KINZEL, CLERK

By: 

Approved as to Form and Legality

Jeffrey A. Klatzkow, County Attorney

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
COLLIER COUNTY, FL

By: 

BURT L. SAUNDERS, CHAIRMAN

Date: 7/8/25

CAO

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) 2025 [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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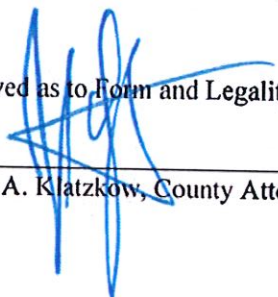
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COLLIER COUNTY, FL

By: 
BURT L. SAUNDERS, CHAIRMAN

Date: 7/8/25

Approved as to Form and Legality


Jeffrey A. Klatzkow, County Attorney

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.

ATTEST:

CRYSTAL K. KENZEL CLERK

By:

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Jeffrey A. Klutzkow, County Attorney

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
COLLIER COUNTY, FL

By:

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Date:

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**Applicant and Recipient
Assurances and Certifications**

U.S. Department of Housing
and Urban Development

OMB Number: 2501-0044
Expiration Date: 2/28/2027

Instructions for the HUD 424-B Assurances and Certifications

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By submitting this form, you are stating that all assertions made in this form are true, accurate, and correct.

As the duly representative of the applicant, I certify that the applicant: [Insert below the Name and title of the Authorized Representative, name of Organization and the date of signature]:

*Authorized Representative Name:

Burt L. Saunders

*Title: Chairman

*Applicant/Recipient Organization:

Collier County, FL

1. Has the legal authority to apply for Federal assistance, has the institutional, managerial and financial capability (including funds to pay the non-Federal share of program costs) to plan, manage and complete the program as described in the application and the governing body has duly authorized the submission of the application, including these assurances and certifications, and authorized me as the official representative of the application to act in connection with the application and to provide any additional information as may be required.

2. Will administer the grant in compliance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 U.S.C. 2000(d)) and implementing regulations (24 CFR part 1), which provide that no person in the United States shall, on the grounds of race, color or national origin, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or otherwise be subject to discrimination under any program or activity that receives Federal financial assistance OR if the applicant is a Federally recognized Indian tribe or its tribally designated housing entity, is subject to the Indian Civil Rights Act (25 U.S.C. 1301-1303).

3. Will administer the grant in compliance with Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (29 U.S.C. 794), as amended, and implementing regulations at 24 CFR part 8, the American Disabilities Act (42 U.S.C. §§ 12101 et seq.), and implementing regulations at 28 CFR part 35 or 36, as applicable, and the Age Discrimination Act of 1975 (42 U.S.C. 6101-07) as amended, and implementing regulations at 24 CFR part 146 which together provide that no person in the United States shall, on the grounds of disability or age, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or otherwise be subjected to discrimination under any program or activity that receives Federal financial assistance; except if the grant program authorizes or limits participation to designated populations, then the applicant will comply with the nondiscrimination requirements within the designated population.

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8. Will comply with the environmental requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act (42 U.S.C. 4321 et seq.) and related Federal authorities prior to the commitment or expenditure of funds for property.

9. That no Federal appropriated funds have been paid, or will be paid, by or on behalf of the applicant, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, and officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress, in connection with the awarding of this Federal grant or its extension, renewal, amendment or modification. If funds other than Federal appropriated funds have or will be paid for influencing or attempting to influence the persons listed above, I shall complete and submit Standard Form-LLL, Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying. I certify that I shall require all subawards at all tiers (including sub-grants and contracts) to similarly certify and disclose accordingly. Federally recognized Indian Tribes and tribally designated housing entities (TDHEs) established by Federally-recognized Indian tribes as a result of the exercise of the tribe's sovereign power are excluded from coverage by the Byrd Amendment, but State-recognized Indian tribes and TDHEs established under State law are not excluded from the statute's coverage.

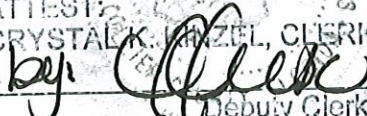
I/We, the undersigned, certify under penalty of perjury that the information provided above is true, accurate, and correct. WARNING: Anyone who knowingly submits a false claim or makes a false statement is subject to criminal and/or civil penalties, including confinement for up to 5 years, fines, and civil and administrative penalties. (18 U.S.C. §§287, 1001, 1010, 1012, 1014; 5 U.S.C. §552, 24 CFR §28.10(b)(1)(iii)).

* Signature:

Date: (mm/dd/yyyy):

Jeffrey A. Klatzkow, County Attorney

7/8/25

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CRYSTAL K. MINZEL, CLERK
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Application for Federal Assistance SF-424

*** 1. Type of Submission:**

- ☐ Preapplication
☒ Application
☐ Changed/Corrected Application

*** 2. Type of Application:**

- ☒ New
☐ Continuation
☐ Revision

* If Revision, select appropriate letter(s):

* Other (Specify):

* 3. Date Received:

05/14/2025

4. Applicant Identifier:

5a. Federal Entity Identifier:

HUD

5b. Federal Award Identifier:

M-25-UC-12-0217

State Use Only:

6. Date Received by State:

7. State Application Identifier:

8. APPLICANT INFORMATION:

* a. Legal Name: Collier County Board of County Commissioners

* b. Employer/Taxpayer Identification Number (EIN/TIN):

59-6000558

* c. UEI:

JWKJKYRPLU6

d. Address:

* Street1: 3339 Tamiami Trail East

Street2: Community & Human Services Division, Suite 213

* City: Naples

County/Parish: Collier

* State: FL: Florida

Province:

* Country: USA: UNITED STATES

* Zip / Postal Code: 34112-5361

e. Organizational Unit:

Department Name:

Public Services

Division Name:

Community & Human Services

f. Name and contact information of person to be contacted on matters involving this application:

Prefix: Mrs.

* First Name: Kristi

Middle Name:

* Last Name: Sonntag

Suffix:

Title: Director, Community & Human Services

Organizational Affiliation:

* Telephone Number: 239-252-2486

Fax Number: 239-252-2638

* Email: kristi.sonntag@colliercountyfl.gov

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:

14.239

CFDA Title:

Entitlement Grant - HOME Investment Partnerships Grant (HOME)

*** 12. Funding Opportunity Number:**

14.239

* Title:

Entitlement Grant - HOME Investment Partnerships Grant (HOME)

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:**

HOME Investment Partnerships and Administrative Activities - County-wide, as outlined in the PY2025 Annual Action Plan.

Attach supporting documents as specified in agency instructions.

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Application for Federal Assistance SF-424

16. Congressional Districts Of:

* a. Applicant 14,25

* b. Program/Project 14,25

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

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17. Proposed Project:

* a. Start Date: 10/01/2025

* b. End Date: 09/30/2026

18. Estimated Funding (\$):

| | |
|---------------------|------------|
| * a. Federal | 759,078.58 |
| * b. Applicant | 0.00 |
| * c. State | 0.00 |
| * d. Local | 0.00 |
| * e. Other | 0.00 |
| * f. Program Income | 31,571.43 |
| * g. TOTAL | 790,650.01 |

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- ☐ a. This application was made available to the State under the Executive Order 12372 Process for review on
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☒ ** 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: Mr.

* First Name: Burt

Middle Name:

* Last Name: Saunders

Suffix:

* Title: Chairman

* Telephone Number: (239)252-8603

Fax Number:

Email: Burt.Saunders@CollierCountyFL.gov

* Signature of Authorized Representative:

Burt H. Saunders

Date Signed:

7/8/25

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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;

ATTEST:
CRYSTAL K. KINZEL, CLERK

By: 
Deputy Clerk
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BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
COLLIER COUNTY, FL

By: 
BURT L. SAUNDERS, CHAIRMAN

Date: 7/8/25

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Jeffrey A. Klatzkow, County Attorney

**Applicant and Recipient
Assurances and Certifications**

U.S. Department of Housing
and Urban Development

OMB Number: 2501-0044
Expiration Date: 2/28/2027

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Burt L. Saunders

*Title: Chairman

*Applicant/Recipient Organization:

Collier County, FL

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* Signature:

* Date: (mm/dd/yyyy):

Burt L. Saunders
7/8/25

Approved as to form and legalit

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Jeffrey A. Klatzkow, County Atton

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ATTEST:
CRYSTAL K. MINZEL, CLERK
by: *[Signature]*
Deputy Clerk
Collier County, FL

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Application for Federal Assistance SF-424

* 1. Type of Submission:

- ☐ Preapplication
☒ Application
☐ Changed/Corrected Application

* 2 Type of Application:

- ☒ New
☐ Continuation
☐ Revision

* If Revision, select appropriate letter(s):

* Other (Specify):

* 3 Date Received:

05/14/2025

4. Applicant Identifier:

5a. Federal Entity Identifier:

HUD

5b. Federal Award Identifier:

E-25-UC-12-0016

State Use Only:

6. Date Received by State:

7. State Application Identifier:

8. APPLICANT INFORMATION:

* a. Legal Name: Collier County Board of County Commissioners

* b. Employer/Taxpayer Identification Number (EIN/TIN):

59-6000558

* c. UEI:

JWKJKYRPLU6

d. Address:

* Street1: 3339 Tamiami Trail East

Street2: Community & Human Services Division, Suite 213

* City: Naples

County/Parish: Collier

* State: FL: Florida

Province:

* Country: USA: UNITED STATES

* Zip / Postal Code: 34112-5361

e. Organizational Unit:

Department Name:

Public Services

Division Name:

Community & Human Services

f. Name and contact information of person to be contacted on matters involving this application:

Prefix: Mrs.

* First Name: Kristi

Middle Name:

* Last Name: Sonntag

Suffix:

Title: Director, Community & Human Services

Organizational Affiliation:

* Telephone Number: 239-252-2486

Fax Number: 239-252-2638

* Email: kristi.sonntag@colliercountyfl.gov

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:

14.231

CFDA Title:

Entitlement Grant - Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG)

*** 12. Funding Opportunity Number:**

14.231

* Title:

Entitlement Grant - Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG)

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:**

Emergency Solutions Grants and Administrative Activities - County-wide, as outlined in the PY2025 Annual Action Plan.

Attach supporting documents as specified in agency instructions.

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* b. Program/Project 14,25

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17. Proposed Project:

* a. Start Date: 10/01/2025

* b. End Date: 09/30/2026

18. Estimated Funding (\$):

| | |
|---------------------|------------|
| * a. Federal | 214,074.00 |
| * b. Applicant | 0.00 |
| * c. State | 0.00 |
| * d. Local | 0.00 |
| * e. Other | 0.00 |
| * f. Program Income | 0.00 |
| * g. TOTAL | 214,074.00 |

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☒ ** I AGREE

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Authorized Representative:

Prefix:

Mr.

* First Name:

Burt

Middle Name:

* Last Name:

Saunders

Suffix:

* Title:

Chairman

* Telephone Number:

(239)252-8603

Fax Number:

* Email:

Burt.Saunders@CollierCountyFL.gov

* Signature of Authorized Representative:

Date Signed:

7/8/25

ATTEST:
CRYSTAL K. KIRK, CLERK

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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.

ATTEST:
CRYSTAL K. KINZEL, CLERK

By: _____

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signature only

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Jeffrey A. Klatzkow, County Attorney

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COLLIER COUNTY, FL

By: _____

BURT L. SAUNDERS, CHAIRMAN

Date: _____

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**Applicant and Recipient
Assurances and Certifications**

U.S. Department of Housing
and Urban Development

OMB Number: 2501-0044
Expiration Date: 2/28/2027

Instructions for the HUD 424-B Assurances and Certifications

As part of your application for HUD funding, you, as the official authorized to sign on behalf of your organization or as an individual, must provide the following assurances and certifications. The Responsible Civil Rights Official has specified this form for use for purposes of general compliance with 24 CFR §§ 1.5, 3.115, 8.50, and 146.25, as applicable. The Responsible Civil Rights Official may require specific civil rights assurances to be furnished consistent with those authorities and will specify the form on which such assurances must be made. A failure to furnish or comply with the civil rights assurances contained in this form may result in the procedures to effect compliance at 24 CFR §§ 1.8, 3.115, 8.57, or 146.39.

By submitting this form, you are stating that all assertions made in this form are true, accurate, and correct.

As the duly representative of the applicant, I certify that the applicant: [Insert below the Name and title of the Authorized Representative, name of Organization and the date of signature]:

*Authorized Representative Name:

Burt L. Saunders

*Title: Chairman

*Applicant/Recipient Organization:

Collier County, FL

1. Has the legal authority to apply for Federal assistance, has the institutional, managerial and financial capability (including funds to pay the non-Federal share of program costs) to plan, manage and complete the program as described in the application and the governing body has duly authorized the submission of the application, including these assurances and certifications, and authorized me as the official representative of the application to act in connection with the application and to provide any additional information as may be required.

2. Will administer the grant in compliance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 U.S.C. 2000(d)) and implementing regulations (24 CFR part 1), which provide that no person in the United States shall, on the grounds of race, color or national origin, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or otherwise be subject to discrimination under any program or activity that receives Federal financial assistance OR if the applicant is a Federally recognized Indian tribe or its tribally designated housing entity, is subject to the Indian Civil Rights Act (25 U.S.C. 1301-1303).

3. Will administer the grant in compliance with Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (29 U.S.C. 794), as amended, and implementing regulations at 24 CFR part 8, the American Disabilities Act (42 U.S.C. §§ 12101 et seq.), and implementing regulations at 28 CFR part 35 or 36, as applicable, and the Age Discrimination Act of 1975 (42 U.S.C. 6101-07) as amended, and implementing regulations at 24 CFR part 146 which together provide that no person in the United States shall, on the grounds of disability or age, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or otherwise be subjected to discrimination under any program or activity that receives Federal financial assistance; except if the grant program authorizes or limits participation to designated populations, then the applicant will comply with the nondiscrimination requirements within the designated population.

4. Will comply with the Fair Housing Act (42 U.S.C. 3601-19), as amended, and the implementing regulations at 24 CFR part 100, which prohibit discrimination in housing on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, disability, familial status, or national origin and will affirmatively further fair housing; except an applicant which is an Indian tribe or its instrumentality which is excluded by statute from coverage does not make this certification; and further except if the grant program authorizes or limits participation to designated populations, then the applicant

will comply with the nondiscrimination requirements within the designated population.

5. Will comply with all applicable Federal nondiscrimination requirements, including those listed at 24 CFR §§ 5.105(a) and 5.106 as applicable.

6. Will not use Federal funding to promote diversity, equity, and inclusion (DEI) mandates, policies, programs, or activities that violate any applicable Federal anti-discrimination laws.

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8. Will comply with the environmental requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act (42 U.S.C. 4321 et seq.) and related Federal authorities prior to the commitment or expenditure of funds for property.

9. That no Federal appropriated funds have been paid, or will be paid, by or on behalf of the applicant, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, and officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress, in connection with the awarding of this Federal grant or its extension, renewal, amendment or modification. If funds other than Federal appropriated funds have or will be paid for influencing or attempting to influence the persons listed above, I shall complete and submit Standard Form-LLL, Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying. I certify that I shall require all subawards at all tiers (including sub-grants and contracts) to similarly certify and disclose accordingly. Federally recognized Indian Tribes and tribally designated housing entities (TDHEs) established by Federally-recognized Indian tribes as a result of the exercise of the tribe's sovereign power are excluded from coverage by the Byrd Amendment, but State-recognized Indian tribes and TDHEs established under State law are not excluded from the statute's coverage.

I/We, the undersigned, certify under penalty of perjury that the information provided above is true, accurate, and correct. **WARNING:** Anyone who knowingly submits a false claim or makes a false statement is subject to criminal and/or civil penalties, including confinement for up to 5 years, fines, and civil and administrative penalties. (18 U.S.C. §§287, 1001, 1010, 1012, 1014; 31 U.S.C. §3729, 3802; 24 CFR §28.10(b)(1)(iii)).

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Date: (mm/dd/yyyy):

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Approved as to form and legality

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Form HUD 424-B (1/27/2023)

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Deputy Clerk

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signature only

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Public Reporting Burden Statement: The public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 0.5 hours per response, including the time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering, and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information. Comments regarding the accuracy of this burden estimate and any suggestions for reducing this burden can be sent to: U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, Office of the Chief Data Officer, R, 451 7th St SW, Room 4176, Washington, DC 20410-5000. **Do not send completed HUD 424-B forms to this address.** This agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless the collection displays a valid OMB control number. The Department of Housing and Urban Development is authorized to collect this information under the authority cited in the Notice of Funding Opportunity for this grant program. The information collected provides assurances and certifications for legal requirements related to the administration of this grant program. HUD will use this information to ensure compliance of its grantees. This information is required to obtain the benefit sought in the grant program. This information will not be held confidential and may be made available to the public in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act (5 U.S.C. §552).



Public Notice PY2025-2026 HUD and SHIP Grant Application Cycle



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The grant application cycle will also include \$2,319,716.30 in HOME-ARP funds. Federal HOME-ARP funding was created to assist individuals or households who are experiencing homelessness, at risk of homelessness, and other vulnerable populations, by providing affordable housing, rental assistance, supportive services, and non-congregate shelter, to reduce homelessness and increase housing stability.

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Organizations seeking information, technical assistance with the grant application process, or for any general questions, please contact Tracey Smith by phone at (239) 252-1428 or by email at Tracey.Smith@colliercountyfl.gov.

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Aviso público

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El período de solicitudes preliminares para los fondos de subvenciones locales, estatales y federales comenzará el martes 7 de enero de 2025 y continuará hasta las 12:00 p. m. del mediodía del viernes 17 de enero de 2025. Las personas invitadas a rellenar una solicitud completa serán notificadas a más tardar el 31 de enero de 2025. El portal de solicitudes completas se abrirá a los invitados el lunes 3 de febrero de 2025 y se cerrará a las 12:00 p. m. del mediodía del lunes 24 de febrero de 2025. El enlace a las solicitudes preliminares estará disponible a través del sitio web de CHS, en la página principal en www.colliercountyfl.gov o en www.colliercountyhousing.com, y también se pueden obtener copias impresas de la solicitud en nuestras oficinas en 3339 Tamiami Trail East, Suite 213, Naples, FL 34112 entre las 9 a. m. y las 4 p. m.

Las reuniones individuales de asistencia técnica son obligatorias para que se considere invitarle a presentar una solicitud completa. Los interesados en presentar una solicitud para el ciclo de subvenciones del año del programa 2025-2026 deben comunicarse con CHS por teléfono al 239-252-1428 para programar una reunión de asistencia técnica entre el 27 de enero de 2025 y el 31 de enero de 2025. No se aceptarán solicitudes si no se han realizado una solicitud preliminar y una reunión individual de asistencia técnica.

Todas las solicitudes preliminares deben ser coherentes con el Plan Consolidado del Condado de Collier o el Plan de Asistencia Local para la Vivienda (LHAP) de SHIP. Los detalles completos de la solicitud preliminar y la solicitud completa se proporcionan en la guía de solicitud de subvenciones del año del programa 2025-2026.

Guía de solicitud:

Administrados por el Departamento de Vivienda y Desarrollo Urbano (HUD), los proyectos de los programas federales deben cumplir con uno o más de los tres objetivos nacionales:

- Beneficiar a personas u hogares de ingresos bajos y moderados que ganan el 80 % o menos del ingreso promedio
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El condado de Collier, junto con sus ciudades con derechos de propiedad, la ciudad de Naples y la ciudad de Marco Island, puede recibir aproximadamente \$2,002,000 en fondos CDBG, \$819,000 en fondos HOME y \$194,250 en fondos ESG para el ciclo de subvenciones del año del programa 2025-2026.

Los fondos estatales de SHIP que suman aproximadamente \$3,026,000, si se asignan, también se incluirán en este ciclo de solicitud de subvenciones. Las adjudicaciones otorgadas en virtud de la SHIP solo se pueden destinar al apoyo de las estrategias de los propietarios de viviendas, tales como asistencia para la compra, rehabilitación de viviendas, demolición y reemplazo de viviendas prefabricadas y asistencia para construcciones nuevas, y otras estrategias identificadas. La asignación de la SHIP se puede utilizar para estas estrategias con el objeto de beneficiar a aquellas personas que ganan hasta el 120 % del ingreso promedio del área (AMI). El Plan de Asistencia Local para la Vivienda (LHAP) del condado de Collier describe cómo el condado tiene la intención de utilizar los fondos de la SHIP para los siguientes objetivos: satisfacer las necesidades de vivienda de los hogares de ingresos muy bajos, bajos y moderados; ampliar la producción y preservar la vivienda asequible; promover el componente vivienda del plan integral del gobierno local específico para vivienda asequible.

Para obtener información adicional sobre los límites de ingreso, visite <https://www.floridahousing.org/owners-and-managers/compliance/income-limits> o para ver el LHAP del condado de Collier, visite <https://www.colliercountyfl.gov/government/public-services/divisions/community-and-human-services->

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El ciclo de solicitud de subvenciones también incluirá \$2,319,716.30 en fondos del plan HOME-ARP. Los fondos federales del plan HOME-ARP se crearon para ayudar a las personas o familias que se encuentran sin hogar, en riesgo de quedarse sin hogar y otras poblaciones vulnerables, proporcionándoles viviendas asequibles, asistencia para alquilar, servicios de apoyo y refugios no colectivos para reducir la falta de vivienda y aumentar la estabilidad de la vivienda.

Los montos del financiamiento están sujetos a cambios en función de los montos reales otorgados por las agencias otorgantes y la disponibilidad de fondos.

Cualquier pregunta, comentario, aclaración o cambio que se haga durante el período de asistencia técnica o con las personas se hará público el 31 de enero de 2025 o alrededor de esa fecha en el sitio web de CHS y a través de un correo electrónico masivo.

Las organizaciones que buscan información, asistencia técnica con el proceso de solicitud de subvenciones o hacer preguntas en general pueden comunicarse con Tracey Smith por teléfono al (239) 252-1428 o por correo electrónico a Tracey.Smith@colliercountyfl.gov.

El condado de Collier garantiza la igualdad de oportunidades laborales. El condado de Collier cumple con la Ley de Vivienda Justa (42 U.S.C. 3600 y siguientes) y la Ordenanza de Vivienda Justa del Condado N.º 92-9.

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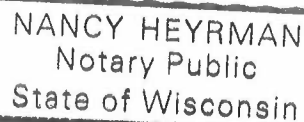
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El ciclo de solicitud de subvenciones también incluirá \$2,319,716.30 en fondos del plan HOME-ARP. Los fondos federales del plan HOME-ARP se crearon para ayudar a las personas o familias que se encuentran sin hogar, en riesgo de quedarse sin hogar y otras poblaciones vulnerables, proporcionándoles viviendas asequibles, asistencia para alquilar, servicios de apoyo y refugios no colectivos para reducir la falta de vivienda y aumentar la estabilidad de la vivienda.

Los montos del financiamiento están sujetos a cambios en función de los montos reales otorgados por las agencias otorgantes y la disponibilidad de fondos.

Cualquier pregunta, comentario, aclaración o cambio que se haga durante el período de asistencia técnica o con las personas se hará público el 31 de enero de 2025 o alrededor de esa fecha en el sitio web de CHS y a través de un correo electrónico masivo.

Las organizaciones que buscan información, asistencia técnica con el proceso de solicitud de subvenciones o hacer preguntas en general pueden comunicarse con Tracey Smith por teléfono al (239) 252-1428 o por correo electrónico a Tracey.Smith@colliercountyfl.gov.

El condado de Collier garantiza la igualdad de oportunidades laborales. El condado de Collier cumple con la Ley de Vivienda Justa (42 U.S.C. 3600 y siguientes) y la Ordenanza de Vivienda Justa del Condado N.º 92-9.

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Collier County Government

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Gobierno del condado de Collier

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División de Servicios Comunitarios y Humanos
Comité de Revisión y Clasificación de Solicitudes de Subvenciones
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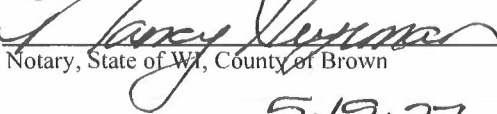
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SUPERVISORS' LIAISON
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
DISTRICTWednesday, March 19, 2025
1:30 P.M.

Notice is hereby given that the Lely Community Development District Supervisors will meet on Wednesday, March 19, 2025, at 1:30 P.M. at the Lely CDD Maintenance Building, 1415 Withrow Ave., Naples, Florida, to conduct the business of the City Community Development District.

Any person who decides to attend a decision of this Board will need a record of the proceedings pertaining thereto, and therefore may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the board is to be based.

Any person requiring special accommodations at this meeting because of a disability or physical impairment should contact the District Office at (239) 379-9115 at least five calendar days prior to the meeting. If hearing or speech impaired, please contact the Florida Relay Service at (800) 352-8770 at least two days prior to the date of the meeting.

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State of Florida
Department of Environmental
Protection

Notice of Draft Permit

The Department of Environmental Protection hereby provides notice that it has received the draft permit for the proposed project as detailed in the application, which is subject to the conditions specified in the draft permit and supporting information. The applicant, Collier County Public Utilities Director, 2301 Tamiami Trail East, Naples, Florida 34104, is applying for a Class I injection well permit for the proposed project at the Golden Gate Wastewater Treatment Plant, 431 2nd Avenue SW, Naples, Florida 34116. In Collier County (File No. 2024-0001), WACS to No. 196363).

The permittee will operate one non-hazardous Class I injection well (W-1) and associated dual-line monitor well (DW-1) for the disposal of high-level disinfection treated wastewater from the Golden Gate WWTWP. The maximum injection rate for W-1 shall be 2,495 gallons per minute and the maximum injection volume for W-1 shall be 5.3 million gallons per day. Injection well W-1 was constructed with a 18-inch diameter steel casing set to a depth of 7,472 feet below land surface (bbs), a 13.25-inch diameter fibreglass reinforced plastic tubing set on a socket of 2,441 feet bbs with a fluid filled annulus. The injection interval is between the depth of 2,441 feet and 2,110 feet bbs. The dual-line monitor well (DW-1) is completed in the Upper Floridan Aquifer from 1,878 to 1,128 feet bbs and 1,076 to 1,150 feet bbs.

The Department has permitting jurisdiction under Chapter 63 of the Florida Statutes (F.S. 63.15) and the rules adopted thereunder. The project is not exempt from permitting procedures. The Department has determined that an Underground Injection Control permit is required for

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The proposed work:
Any interested person may submit written comments on the draft permit and may request a public meeting within 30 days after publication of this public notice. A request for a public meeting shall be submitted in writing and shall state the nature of the issues presented to be raised at the meeting. If a public meeting is requested, there will be a public meeting for that meeting. Written comments or a public meeting request must be submitted to the Department of Environmental Protection, 2301 Tamiami Trail East, Naples, Florida 34104, which is the office processing this permit application. All comments received will be considered in formulation of the Department's final decision regarding permit issuance.

The file associated with this order are available for public inspection during normal business hours, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except state holidays, at the Department of Environmental Protection, South District, and at the Department of Environmental Protection, 1605 Blair Stone Road, Palmdale, Florida 33979-7900. Any additional information concerning this matter may be obtained by contacting Don Warkins, Professional Geologist at 813-455-3151.
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COLLIER COUNTY, FLORIDA
HUD PY 2025 Annual Action Plan
Public Notice for Public Comment Period and Public Hearing
Citizen Participation Announcement

Collier County is developing its PY 2025 Annual Action Plan as required by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). The Annual Action Plan serves as the County's application for Federal funds under the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME), and the Emergency Solutions Grants (ESG) Programs. This Annual Action Plan determines expenditures for projects that will be conducted in the 2025 program year, which runs from October 1, 2025 to September 30, 2026.

Collier County, along with its entitlement cities, City of Naples and City of Marco Island, has been allocated \$2,677,254 in CDBG funds for PY 2025, in addition to unobligated and prior year funding of \$696,173.11. Eligible activities for CDBG funds include but are not limited to acquisition, construction of public infrastructure and public services in accordance with 24 CFR § 570.201. Approximately 100% of the total allocation will benefit low and moderate-income persons.

Collier County has been allocated \$759,078.58 in HOME funds for PY 2025, in addition to an estimated program income of \$31,571.43 to expand the supply of decent, affordable housing for low and very low-income families. Approximately 100% of the total HOME allocation will be used to benefit very low and low-income citizens.

Collier County has been allocated \$214,074 in ESG funds for PY 2025. ESG funds may be used for emergency homeless shelters operations, rapid rehousing of homeless individuals and families, Homeless Management Information Systems (HMIS), and homelessness prevention activities and street outreach. Approximately 100% of the total allocation will benefit the homeless or individuals/families that are at risk of homelessness.

Proposed projects for the PY 2025 funding year include:

CDBG Program: 1) Public Services - \$401,588.10; 2) Public Facilities & Infrastructure - \$1,967,369.85; 3) Public Facilities/Acquisition - \$419,018.36; 4) Project Delivery - \$50,000; 5) Program Administration - \$535,450.80.

HOME Program: 1) CHDO - \$113,861.78; 2) HOME Homebuyer Assistance - \$591,823.23; 3) Project Delivery - \$5,900; 4) Program Administration - \$79,065.00.

ESG Program: 1) Emergency Shelter - \$65,000; 2) Rapid Rehousing, Homeless Prevention & Street Outreach - \$133,018.45; and 3) Program Administration - \$16,055.55.

Public Comment Period

There will be a public comment period from June 6, 2025, through July 6, 2025, regarding the One Year Action Plan. During this period, the draft Plan will be available for review in all County public libraries and in the Community & Human Services (CHS) Division office located at 3339 E. Tamiami Trail, Building H, Suite 213, Naples FL 34112, and the Collier County website at www.colliercountyfl.gov. - Public Services Department, Community and Human Services Division. The document is available in a format accessible to persons with disabilities upon request. All comments (received through the CHS office, either written, by telephone, via email, regular mail or in person) from citizens will be considered in preparing the final One Year Action Plan for PY 2025. CHS will respond to all comments in writing within 15 days of receipt.

Collier County is an Equal Opportunity Employer. Collier County complies with the Fair Housing Act (42 U.S.C. 3600, et seq.) and County Fair Housing Ordinance 92-9.

Public Hearing

A public hearing will be held to take input on the draft HUD PY 2025 Annual Action Plan. It will be held on June 5, 2025, from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. at Community and Human Services offices at 3339 E. Tamiami Trail, Building H, 3rd Floor Conference Room, Naples FL 34112 and

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Collier County will consider any comments or views of citizens received in writing or orally at the public hearing in preparing the Annual Action Plan. Arrangements can be made through the Collier County Community and Human Services Division at least five (5) working days prior to the public hearing. Assistance can include, but is not limited to, assistance for non-English speaking persons and for those who require a sign language interpreter. The County must receive reasonable time to respond to any such request.

Final Action

Adoption of the PY 2025 One Year Action Plan is scheduled for Tuesday, July 8, 2025, at a regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of County Commissioners. This provides the ability to meet the HUD deadline for the Action Plan submittal on August 17, 2025. Final allocations to projects are announced in the adopted Action Plan. The Action Plan may be amended after this time, should the need arise.

Accessibility

If you require special aid or services as addressed in the Americans with Disabilities Act or require someone to translate or sign, please contact the Community & Human Services office at (239) 252-1428, no later than five (5) days prior to the public hearing date. For additional information contact Tracey Smith at tracey.smith@colliercountyfl.gov.

CONDADO DE COLLIER, FLORIDA
Plan de acción anual de HUD para el PY 2025
Aviso público para el periodo de comentarios públicos y la audiencia pública

Convocatoria de participación ciudadana

El condado de Collier está desarrollando su plan de acción anual para el año del programa (program year, PY) 2025 según lo requerido por el Departamento de Vivienda y Desarrollo Urbano de EE. UU. (Housing and Urban Development, HUD). El plan de acción anual sirve como la solicitud del condado para obtener fondos federales bajo el programa de Subvenciones en Bloque para el Desarrollo Comunitario (Community Development Block Grant, CDBG), las Asociaciones de Inversión HOME y los fondos de Subvenciones para Soluciones de Emergencia (Emergency Solutions Grants, ESG). Este plan de acción anual determina los gastos de los proyectos que se llevarán a cabo en el año 2025 del programa, que se extiende desde el 1.º de octubre de 2025 hasta el 30 de septiembre de 2026.

El condado de Collier, junto con sus ciudades con derechos, la Ciudad de Naples y la Ciudad de Marco Island, ha recibido \$2,677,254 en fondos de CDBG para el PY 2025, además del financiamiento no comprometido del año anterior de \$696,173.11. Las actividades elegibles para los fondos de CDBG incluyen, entre otras, la adquisición, la construcción de infraestructura pública y los servicios públicos de acuerdo con 24 CFR § 570.201. Aproximadamente el 100 % de la asignación total beneficiará a personas de ingresos bajos y moderados.

El condado de Collier ha recibido \$759,078.58 en fondos de HOME para el PY 2025, además de un ingreso estimado del programa de \$31,571.43 para ampliar la oferta de viviendas decentes y asequibles para familias de bajos y muy bajos ingresos. Aproximadamente el 100 %de la asignación total de HOME se utilizará para beneficiar a ciudadanos de muy bajos y bajos ingresos.

El condado de Collier ha recibido \$214,074 en fondos de ESG para el PY 2025. Los fondos de ESG se pueden utilizar para operaciones de refugios de emergencia para personas sin hogar, la reubicación rápida de viviendas de personas y familias sin hogar, el Sistema de información para la gestión de personas sin hogar (Homeless Management Information Systems, HMIS), y actividades de prevención y seguimiento de personas sin hogar. Aproximadamente el 100 % de la asignación total beneficiará a personas sin hogar o a personas y familias que corren el riesgo de quedarse sin hogar. Los proyectos propuestos para el PY 2025 incluyen los siguientes:

Programa de CDBG: 1) Servicios públicos - \$401,588.10; 2) Instalaciones e infraestructura pública - \$1,967,369.85; 3) Instalaciones Públicas/Adquisición - \$419,018.36; 4) Entrega del proyecto - \$50,000; 5) Administración del programa: \$535,450.80.

Programa de HOME: 1) CHDO - \$113,861.78; 2) Asistencia para compradores de vivienda de HOME - \$591,823.23; 3) Entrega del proyecto - \$5,900; 4) Administración del programa - \$79,065.00.

Programa de ESG: 1) Refugio de emergencia - \$65,000; 2) Reubicación rápida de viviendas, prevención y seguimiento de personas sin hogar - \$133,018.45; y 3) Administración del programa: \$16,055.55.

Período de comentarios públicos

Habrà un periodo de comentarios públicos desde el 6 de junio de 2025 hasta el 6 de julio de 2025 con respecto al plan de acción de un año. Durante este periodo, el borrador del plan estará disponible para su revisión en todas las bibliotecas públicas del condado y en la oficina de la División de Servicios Comunitarios y Humanos (Community & Human Services, CHS) ubicada en 3339 E. Tamiami Trail, Building H, Suite 213, Naples FL 34112 y en el sitio web del condado de Collier, en www.colliercountyfl.gov. - Departamento de Servicios Públicos, División de Servicios Comunitarios y Humanos. El documento está disponible en un formato accesible para las personas con discapacidad que lo soliciten. Todos los comentarios (recibidos a través de la oficina de CHS, ya sea por escrito, por teléfono, por correo electrónico, por correo postal o en persona) de los ciudadanos se considerarán durante la preparación del Plan de acción anual final para el PY 2025. El CHS responderá a todos los comentarios por escrito dentro de un plazo de 15 días posteriores a su recepción.

El condado de Collier es un empleador que ofrece igualdad de oportunidades. El condado de Collier cumple con la Ley de vivienda justa (42 U.S.C. 3600, et seq.) y con la Ordenanza 92-9 de Vivienda Justa del Condado.

Audiencia pública

Se llevará a cabo una audiencia pública para recibir comentarios sobre el borrador del Plan de acción anual del HUD para el PY 2025. Se realizará el viernes 5 de junio de 2025, de 1:00 p. m. a 3:00 p. m. en las oficinas de Servicios Comunitarios y Humanos, ubicados en 3339 E. Tamiami Trail, Building H, 3rd Floor Conference Room, Naples FL 34112 y por

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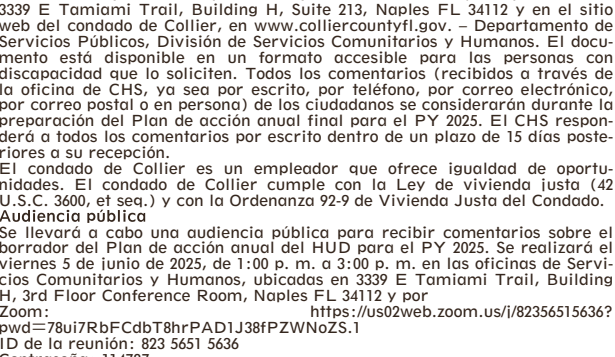
El condado de Collier tendrá en cuenta cualquier comentario u opinión de los ciudadanos recibidos por escrito o en forma oral en la audiencia pública cuando se prepare el plan de acción anual. Se pueden hacer arreglos a través de la División de Servicios Humanos y Comunitarios del Condado de Collier al menos cinco (5) días hábiles antes de la audiencia pública. La asistencia puede incluir, entre otros, asistencia para personas que no hablan inglés y para las que requieren un intérprete de lenguaje de señas. El condado debe recibir un tiempo razonable para responder a dicha solicitud.

Acción final

La adopción del plan de acción de un año para el PY 2025 está programada para el martes 8 de julio de 2025, en una reunión programada regularmente de la Junta de Comisionados del Condado. Esto brinda la posibilidad de cumplir con la fecha límite de HUD para la presentación del Plan de Acción el 17 de agosto de 2025. Las asignaciones definitivas a los proyectos se anuncian en el plan de acción adoptado. El plan de acción puede modificarse después de esta fecha, si surge la necesidad.

Accesibilidad

Si necesita ayuda o servicios especiales como se aborda en la Ley de Estadounidenses con Discapacidades (Americans with Disabilities Act) o si necesita que alguien traduzca o interprete en lenguaje de señas, comuníquese con la oficina de Servicios Comunitarios y Humanos al (239) 252-1428, a más tardar cinco (5) días antes de la fecha de la audiencia pública. Para obtener más información, comuníquese con Tracey Smith en tracey.smith@colliercountyfl.gov.



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Collier County, Florida 2021 – 2025 Citizen Participation Plan

The 2021 - 2025 Citizen Participation Plan details the public participation and community involvement activities related to the development of the Consolidated Plan, Annual Action Plan, Performance Reports, and future amendments of such plans.

February 9, 2021

Amended July 2023

Amended August 2024

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July 2023: Amended to update the Complaints and Solicitation Process

August 2024: Amended to align with 24 CFR 91.105

INTRODUCTION

In 2001, Collier County became entitled to receive annual grant funding from the federal Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), HOME Investment Partnerships Program, and Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) program. As an entitlement jurisdiction, the County receives the CDBG funding directly from Housing and Urban Development (HUD) and administers the grant, including ensuring the funds are used according to the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) and the associated plans, reports and certifications are completed on time and accurately.

Each entitlement jurisdiction must complete a Consolidated Plan at least once every five years (24 CFR § 91.15). The Consolidated Plan is a strategic plan to examine the housing and community development needs of a jurisdiction, set priorities for HUD grant monies and establish an action plan for meeting current and future needs. Each Consolidated Plan is also required to have a strategy for citizen participation in the Consolidated Planning process (24 CFR Part 91.105).

HUD requires entitlement jurisdictions to submit an Annual Action Plan (AAP) by August of each year to receive the CDBG, HOME, and ESG funding (24 CFR § 91.15). The Annual Action Plan serves in part, as the County's application to HUD for the following year's funding. The AAP includes:

1. Projects the County desires to fund;
2. Funding amounts for each project;
3. Tasks and objectives to accomplish during the program year;
4. The public participation process accomplishments;
5. How other resources will be leveraged; and
6. How the County plans to address barriers to affordable housing, fair housing and homelessness.

The County's program year begins October 1 and ends September 30. At the end of each program year, the County will produce a Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER). The CAPER reviews the progress the County has made in carrying out the priorities in the Consolidated Plan and most recent AAP. The report includes a description of the resources made available, the investment of the resources, the distribution and location of investments, per 24 CFR § 91.520. This report must be submitted to HUD within 90 days of the end of the County's program year.

It is the policy of the County to ensure the meaningful participation of its citizens in the development of any Consolidated Plan, AAP, CAPER, and any Substantial Amendment to a plan, with particular emphasis on participation by low- and moderate-income residents and neighborhoods. The facilitation of a citizen participation process accessible to all residents regardless of minority status, disability, or English fluency is essential.

The Citizen Participation Plan (CPP) outlines the methods and procedures Collier County will use to

solicit community feedback and engagement when developing plans and priorities for funds received by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). The CPP reflects the importance of community engagement while developing various neighborhood plans, programs and activities. The CPP also meets or exceeds the federal requirements found in 24 CFR 91.105.

Collier County is committed to ensuring opportunities are available for residents and stakeholders to provide meaningful, thorough and effective input in the development of community development plans and policies. The County will tailor its community engagement efforts to the unique landscape of Collier County from the agricultural areas of the eastern county to the urban enclaves along the Gulf of Mexico. Intentional efforts will be made to gain input from low- and moderate-income residents, disabled, elderly and other special populations that are likely to be impacted through the programs and activities developed during the planning process.

The CPP outlines the minimum participation requirements and processes. The Board of County Commissioners remains the sole approving authority for the various HUD plans and any amendments.

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION PLAN REVIEW AND UPDATE

It is the policy of the County to encourage and facilitate the full and meaningful participation of residents, service providers, government agencies, and other stakeholders in the development of all HUD required consolidated planning documents including the Five-Year Consolidated Plan, Annual Action Plans, Substantial Amendments, and the Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER).

The primary purpose of the participation will be in needs identification, priority setting, program recommendations, and funding allocations related to the consolidated planning process. The County shall provide for and encourage citizen participation with particular emphasis on:

- Low and moderate-income persons, particularly those living in areas where CDBG, HOME and ESG funds are proposed to be used;
- Residents of predominantly low and moderate-income neighborhoods;
- Minorities;
- People with Limited English Proficiency;
- People with Disabilities;
- Residents of public and other assisted housing developments; and
- Local and regional institutions, the regional Continuum of Care and other organizations (including businesses, developers, nonprofit organizations, philanthropic organizations, community and faith-based organizations).

Collier County is committed to keeping all interested groups and individuals informed of each phase of the Consolidated Plan and AAP processes, plus the activities undertaken with CDBG, HOME and ESG funds. Opportunities to comment on or participate in planning, community development, and affordable housing activities and projects will be publicized and disseminated throughout Collier County using a variety of media.

The CPP will be reviewed and updated at least once prior to the development of the five-year Consolidated Plan as required by HUD, or prior to the five-year interval if the Collier County Board of Commissioners deems necessary.

Citizen Participation Plan Public Review and Comments

Collier County shall publish the draft CPP for public review and comment 30 days prior to submission of the draft CPP to the County Board of Commissioners for their review and approval. The County shall post the draft CPP on the County website and provide free printed copies upon request. The method of receiving public comments shall be included in the notice.

To provide Collier County residents with the maximum opportunity to comment on the CAPER, Citizen Participation Plan, Action Plan, Consolidated Plan, and any Substantial Amendment. The County will provide the following Public comments periods:

- Citizens may comment on the Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report at least fifteen (15) days from the date of the Public notice
- Citizens may comment on the Consolidated Plan and Action Plan for at least thirty (30) days after the publication date of the draft plan.
- Citizens may comment on the Citizen Participation Plan for at least thirty (30) days after the publication date for the draft document.
- Citizens may comment on any Substantial Amendments to the Consolidated Plan and Action Plan for at least thirty (30) days after the publication date for the draft document.

The following are appropriate ways to provide public comment on any public notice document:

- Written comments may be submitted in person to the Community and Human Services Building H Suite 211
- Write to Community and Human Services Division
- Attend the Public Hearings and meetings described above. Each agenda provides time for public comment. The participation of all citizens, including minorities and persons with disabilities are particularly encouraged to provide public comments. Translation services, if required, must be requested in advance for scheduling purposes. Persons with limited English proficiency may also provide a translator of their choice. Translation or interpretation is subject to availability of web-based software or staff through Collier County Facilities Division and will request services upon five (5) business days advanced notice.

CONSOLIDATED PLANNING PROCESS

This section outlines how Collier County will ensure community engagement and participation in the development of the Consolidated Plan and Annual Action Plan.

Community engagement and participation is the foundation of Collier County's community planning efforts. Collier County will undertake intentional steps and efforts to seek input and feedback in developing community plans, including the Consolidated Plan. There will be multiple points throughout the planning process that affords residents, public agencies and other stakeholders the opportunity to shape the consolidated planning process. Collier County will use engagement techniques such as facilitated public meetings and forums, focus group and individual interviews, as well as online and paper-based surveys. Collier County will also receive comments through informal discussions with stakeholders such as neighborhood associations through neighborhood meetings and phone or email communication.

Public Planning Hearings, Meetings, Forums and Surveys

In order to engage residents and stakeholders during the development of the Consolidated Plan, Collier County shall facilitate a series of hearings, meetings, forums and surveys. The County will consider any comments or views of residents and stakeholders received in writing or orally, in preparing the Consolidated Plan, or Annual Action Plan.

Public Hearings

During the Consolidated Planning or Annual Action Plan process, Collier County will hold at least one public hearing to gather input from residents, public agencies, and other key stakeholders. The public hearings will generally be held at the Collier County Community and Human Services offices which is centrally located but may be moved to a neighborhood-based location. Public hearing locations shall be accessible to persons with mobility impairments.

During the hearing, the County shall:

- Provide an overview of the CDBG, HOME, and ESG.
- Provide examples of past programs and eligible expenditures.
- Seek input on housing and community development needs and non-housing community development needs.

At a minimum, the public hearing shall be advertised in a public notice at least 14 days prior to the date of the hearing and must be held before the required 30-day public comment period for the draft plan. The public notice will be published in the Naples Daily News or other newspaper of general circulation. The notice of the public hearing will also be posted on the County's website and/or social media platforms. Translation services for non-English speaking residents will be made available during the public hearings.

Public Planning Meetings

A minimum of one public planning meeting will be held throughout the development of the Consolidated Plan and Annual Action Plan to gather additional public input. Public planning meetings shall be advertised on the County's website and/or social media account. Planning meetings will be located and facilitated in a manner to encourage participation among predominately minority and/or low-and moderate-income neighborhoods, and non-English speaking residents. Public meetings shall be held in locations that are accessible to persons with mobility impairments.

Arrangements can be made through the Collier County Community and Human Services Division at least five (5) working days before any public meeting for those persons requesting assistance for special needs. Assistance can include, but is not limited to, assistance for non- English-speaking persons and for those who require a sign language interpreter. The County must receive reasonable time to respond to any such requests.

Public Planning Forums or Focus Groups

The County shall consult with community agencies such as the Continuum of Care, housing authorities, social service agencies, former and current subrecipients, affordable housing developers and advocates, and neighborhood and civic leaders regarding needs within the community and needs of the clients served by the various agencies. This consultation may be done through focus groups or individual interviews.

Community Surveys

Collier County shall provide an alternative way for interested residents and community members, who cannot attend the public meetings, to comment on community needs and priorities such as through community needs and priorities surveys. Surveys shall be available in English and Spanish.

Solicitation Process

There are several approaches approved by HUD that the Collier County may use to select projects to be included in the AAP for funding.

Basic Models: Depending on the situation and circumstance of the project or the needs of the community the staff may choose any one of the following models or variations of those approaches to assist in the solicitation process of sub-recipients. The basic models are as follows:

1. Formal Application Process (RFA - Request For Applications or RFP Request For Proposals): Requires the submission of a formal application, typically undertaken once a year in conjunction with the grantees planning process. Applications are evaluated based on explicit selection criteria. This process works best for projects with:
 - a. numerous or complex activities;
 - b. numerous potential applicants with varying degrees of experience;
 - c. limited funding and increasing competition
2. Limited Application/Pre-Application Process: This approach is similar to the formal application process, but the application is not detailed, allowing the Staff to review the

applications and narrow the number of applications before requesting additional detailed information prior to making the final selections. This process is useful for grantees interested in encouraging additional participation of potential sub- recipients unfamiliar with the process or when the grantee is providing matching dollars for a larger project.

3. Request for Qualifications (RFQ): The Staff will identify potential qualified sub- recipients through an informal process or through a general RFQ. From the identified group, the staff will identify organizations qualified to carry out specific activities and will approach the organization about their interest in doing so. This process is proactive and is focused on qualified organizations that have the experience and capacity to present new and innovative approaches to solve approved objectives.
4. “Open Door” or Unsolicited Application Process: Allows application requests to be accepted and considered any time during the program year until funds are no longer available. The unsolicited application shall meet the same requirements of the solicitation process already in place for the identified funding source, and the application shall be evaluated based on the criteria used during the regular application process with selections to be made by staff.

Selection of Sub-recipients and Contractors: Collier County will select from applicants who are requesting funding using criteria established by the County.

Public Review of the Draft Consolidated Plan and Annual Action Plan

Collier County will make a draft of the Consolidated Plan and Annual Action Plan available for public review and comment for a period of not less than 30 days. To ensure the community is aware of the funding available and proposed projects, Collier County shall publish the following information before adoption of the Consolidated Plan:

- The amount of assistance the County expects to receive (including grant funds and program income).
- The range of activities that may be undertaken.
- The estimated amount of funding that will benefit persons of low- and moderate- income.
- The County’s plans to minimize displacement of persons and to assist any persons displaced, specifying the types and levels of assistance Collier County will make available (or require others to make available) to persons displaced, even if Collier County expects no displacement to occur.
- Locations where the draft plans will be available to review.

The County shall make the draft plans available free of charge online and in printed form. To inform residents and stakeholders the plan is available for review and comment, the County shall:

- Publish a summary of the proposed Consolidated Plan in the Naples Daily News describing the contents and purpose of the Consolidated Plan, and locations where the entire plan may be examined.
- Place an electronic copy of the plan on the County’s website.

- Make printed copies available at: Collier County CHS Office Building and the main Collier County Library branch.

ANNUAL ACTION PLAN

The Annual Action Plan (AAP) public participation process is similar to that of the Consolidated Planning process. At least one public hearing will be held during the planning process to identify needs and gather input regarding potential activities and available funds.

The County shall make the draft AAP available free of charge online and in printed form. To inform residents and stakeholders the plan is available for review and comment, the County shall:

- Publish a summary of the proposed AAP in the Naples Daily News describing the proposed activities and funding amounts, and locations where the entire plan may be examined.
- Place an electronic copy of the plan on the County's website.
- Make printed copies available at: Collier County CHS Office Building and Collier County Library branches.

A draft AAP will be published, and a 30-day public comment period will be observed. During this public comment period, one public hearing will be held to provide an opportunity for the public and stakeholders to comment on the draft AAP. These comments will be addressed and included in the plan documents. After the 30-day public comment period is complete, the plan will be submitted to the Collier County Board of Commissioners for review and approval prior to plan submission to HUD. Collier County will submit the approved plan to HUD for review no later than 45 days prior to the beginning of the program year, on or about August 15th of each year.

AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSOLIDATED PLAN OR ANNUAL ACTION PLAN

Amendments to the Consolidated Plan or Annual Action Plan will be made public, and the County will notify HUD when the amendment has been made. The County will submit a copy of each amendment to HUD as it occurs.

Criteria for Substantial Amendment to the Consolidated Plan or Annual Action Plan

The County may, from time to time, amend the Consolidated Plan or Annual Action Plan activities to further the housing and community development goals of the County. In accordance with 24 CFR 91.105(C), Collier County will use the following criteria for determining what changes in the Consolidated Plan or Annual Action Plan constitute a Substantial Amendment subject to 24 CFR 91.105(b). 24 CFR 91.505 only applies to amendments of the Consolidated Plan and Annual Action Plan, and not individual activities enumerated within HUD's Integrated Disbursement and Information System (IDIS)

Those changes described in the Consolidated Plan or Annual Action Plan that do not meet the threshold of a Substantial Amendment will be processed administratively, in accordance with 24 CFR 91.505. Only Substantial Amendments are subject to the citizen participation process outlined within the Citizen Participation Plan. All other amendments are deemed administrative and shall be submitted to HUD as it occurs, or at the end of the program year in accordance with 24 CFR 91.505 (c).

The criteria for a Substantial Amendment to the Consolidated Plan and Annual Action Plan shall include:

- The complete elimination of a project from the CDBG, HOME or ESG entitlement program.
- A new CDBG, HOME, or ESG project not described in the Consolidated Plan and/or Annual Action Plan.
- An increase or decrease in the CDBG, HOME, or ESG portion of the project budget of more than \$100,000.00 or forty-five percent of project budget (45%), whichever is greater.
- Any major programmatic changes in the scope of the project whereby the intended beneficiaries are reduced by more than 25% or the project location changes to the extent it no longer serves the original target population outlined in the Annual Action Plan.

Budget Amendments as Part of the Annual Action Plan: budget balances de-obligated from cancelled activities or activities that have been successfully completed under-budget can be rolled forward into the next Annual Action Plan and CDBG, HOME and ESG funding round. Because Citizen Participation for a Substantial Amendment follows the same requirement as the proposed Annual Action Plan, no additional public participation is needed for this type of amendment.

Citizen Notification of Substantial Amendments

Collier County will notify residents and stakeholders if a substantial amendment to the Consolidated Plan or Annual Action Plan is required. A summary of the proposed substantial amendment will be published in the Naples Daily News and posted on the County's website. From the date of publication of this summary, the County will provide for a 30-day comment period in which residents of Collier County will have the opportunity to provide their comments and views on the proposed substantial amendment.

During this public comment period, the County will hold one (1) public hearing for residents to provide comments and feedback. A copy of the substantial amendment will be available free of charge to any resident or interested party requesting it. Copies of the substantial amendment will be made available to the public on the County's website or from the Collier County Community and Human Services Division.

Collier County will consider any comments or views of citizens received in writing or orally at the public hearing in preparing substantial amendments to the Consolidated Plan or Annual Action Plan.

Disaster or Public Health Emergency Declaration and Funding

In situations where a natural disaster, public health crisis, or other emergency situation arises and HUD issues updated guidance, or special-use funding surrounding that particular emergency or event, Collier County will follow the revised HUD guidance when amending the Consolidated Plan or Annual Action Plan. In the event of a natural disaster or catastrophic occurrence, Collier County may determine the need to make a Substantial Amendment to the Consolidated Plan and Annual Action Plan to address the unforeseen needs of the community. The County may request and obtain from HUD a complete waiver or reduction in days of the required thirty (30) days public notice period for Substantial Amendments. Emergency amendments do not require thirty (30) days

public notice.

In such an event, the County will:

- Follow the revised HUD authorization related to the minimum required public comment period.
- Expedite, as prescribed by HUD, the public notification and public hearing process.
- Undertake additional measures, authorized by HUD, to expedite the use of HUD funds to mitigate the effects of the disaster or emergency within the community.

Collier County will consider any comments or views of citizens received in writing or orally at the public hearings in preparing substantial amendments to the Consolidated Plan or Annual Action Plan.

CONSOLIDATED ANNUAL PERFORMANCE AND EVALUATION REPORT (CAPER)

Collier County will produce an annual performance report which will review and report on the progress it has made in carrying out its strategic plan and the action plan. This performance report will include a description of the resources made available, the investment of available resources, the geographic distribution and location of investments, the families and persons assisted (including racial and ethnic status of persons assisted), actions taken to affirmatively further fair housing, and other actions indicated in the strategic plan and the action plan. Collier County will provide residents and stakeholders reasonable time and opportunity to comment on this annual performance report before it is submitted to HUD.

The performance report will be submitted to HUD within 90 days after the close of the program year, which is September 30. To provide reasonable notice to residents and stakeholders, the County will publish a notice of the report in the Naples Daily News and on the County's website on or about sixty-five (65) days after the end of the program year. The County will provide a period of fifteen (15) days for the public to comment on the performance report during which the County will hold at least one public hearing to discuss the performance report. After the end of the public comment period, any comments will be addressed by staff and included as part of the CAPER before the report is submitted to HUD for review.

Copies of the draft and final documents will be available free of charge at the Collier County CHS building, County Website and Collier County Libraries.

Collier County will consider any comments or views of citizens received in writing, or orally at the public hearings, in preparing the Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report.

PUBLIC HEARINGS AND MEETINGS

Collier County will hold at least two public hearings throughout each program year. At least one public hearing will be held before the publication of the Annual Action Plan and a second during the CAPER review period. The purpose of the public hearings will be to obtain citizens' views and to respond to proposals and questions. Each of the public hearings will address housing and

community development needs, development of proposed activities, and review of program performance. As part of the Consolidated Plan process, the County will hold one public hearing during the 30-day public comment period before the Consolidated Plan is published and submitted to HUD.

Each of the public hearings will be advertised at least two weeks (14 days) before it is scheduled to be held with a notice in the Naples Daily News or other newspaper of general circulation. The County will also use the network of committees created to facilitate the development of the Consolidated Plan, to receive citizen input and inform the citizens of any proposed public hearing. Email or direct mailings will be used to provide information regarding public hearings to this existing network.

In general, public hearings and meetings will be held at the Collier County Community and Human Services offices, which is centrally located. However, public hearings and meetings may at times be held in different locations throughout the County, particularly in those areas with concentrations low- and moderate-income residents. The locations of all public hearings will be included in the notice, and all public hearings will be in locations that are convenient to actual and potential beneficiaries, and locations accessible to persons with disabilities. All meetings will be held in facilities which are accessible to persons with disabilities.

Arrangements can be made through the Collier County Community and Human Services Division at least five (5) working days before any public meeting for those persons requesting assistance for special needs. Assistance can include, but is not limited to, assistance for non- English-speaking persons and for those who require a sign language interpreter. The County must receive reasonable time to respond to any such requests.

DISASTERS

If a federal and/or state disaster declaration is made, the County will evaluate the available resources to address the disaster. If the County determines that resources are available, the County will follow the process for amendments as identified on page 10. To expedite actions to address the disaster, the County will request waivers from the HUD Miami Field Office for the following requirements within 24 CFR 91.115(c)(2) and (i):

1. *Citizen Participation Plan Comment Period for Substantial Amendments* – Reduce the public comment period from thirty days to no less than five days or as otherwise approved by HUD.
2. *Citizen Participation Reasonable Notice and Opportunity to Comment* – allows the County to determine and adjust what constitutes reasonable notice and opportunity to comment given the circumstances.

Example:

Per the CARES Act, ESG-CV funds shall not be subject to the consultation, citizen participation, or match requirements that otherwise apply to the Emergency Solutions Grants program, however the County must publish how it has and will utilize its allocation, at a minimum, on the Collier County website or through other electronic media.

ACCESS TO RECORDS

The Consolidated Plan, Annual Action Plan, any substantial amendments, and the performance report will be made available to the public. Upon request, these documents will also be provided in a form accessible to persons with disabilities. These documents will be available for public inspection in the Collier County Community and Human Services Division during regular business hours. Persons requesting special assistance in regard to access of these documents must provide the County reasonable time in which to aid in accessing these documents. The documents will also be available on the County's website.

The County will respond to any reasonable request for information and records relating to the Consolidated Plan and Action Plan for the preceding five (5) years. The County will provide this access to citizens, public agencies and other interested parties in a reasonable and timely manner. All requests for access to these records must be made in writing to:

Collier County Community and Human Services Division
3339 East Tamiami Trail
Suite 213
Naples, Florida 34112-5361
Phone: 239-252-2273

TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

The County will hold mandatory technical assistance meetings to assist community groups and not-for-profit agencies who are interested in applying for CDBG, HOME and ESG funds. The County is committed to increasing the capacity of local agencies to become high-performing subrecipients, because the subrecipient agencies are a critical part of the successful implementation of affordable housing and community development programs.

In addition to the mandatory technical assistance meeting, the County will assist any groups with technical assistance related to the CDBG, HOME, or ESG program upon request.

COMPLAINTS AND APPEALS

Collier County appreciates feedback from concerned residents and agencies on all aspects of the HUD programs. Such complaints should be filed within thirty (30) days of the alleged discriminatory act. All written complaints received by the Collier County Community and Human Services Division will be considered. Written complaints and feedback can be submitted to:

Collier County Community and Human Services Division Attn: Donald Luciano, Assistant Director-CHS
3339 East Tamiami Trail Suite 213
Naples, Florida 34112-5361

The Community and Human Services Division will act swiftly and objectively in resolving all written complaints and grievances utilizing the following strategies:

1. The Community and Human Services Division will respond to citizen complaints/grievances within fifteen business (15) days. The Director's response will indicate the avenue(s) of appeal to the complainant.
2. Citizens may, at any time during the complaint resolution process, contact the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) directly at the following address:
U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development Office of Community Planning and Development
909 SE First Avenue, Room 300
Miami, Florida 33131-3028

No person shall intimidate, threaten, coerce, or discriminate against any person because he/she has made a complaint, testified, assisted, or participated in any matter in an investigation, proceeding, or hearing related to a complaint.