

2018-2019 ACTION PLAN EXECUTIVE SUMMARY



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State Use Only:		
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* b. Employer/Taxpayer Identification Number (EIN/TIN): <input type="text"/> 59-60000773	* c. Organizational DUNS: <input type="text"/> 0647972510000	
d. Address:		
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* City: <input type="text"/> Orlando		
County/Parish: <input type="text"/> Orange		
* State: <input type="text"/> FL: Florida		
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* Zip / Postal Code: <input type="text"/> 32801-1393		
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Department Name: <input type="text"/> Community, Env and Dev Service	Division Name: <input type="text"/> Housing and Comm Development	
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* 9. Type of Applicant 1: Select Applicant Type: B: County Government		
Type of Applicant 2: Select Applicant Type: 		
Type of Applicant 3: Select Applicant Type: 		
* Other (specify): 		
* 10. Name of Federal Agency: U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development		
11. Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Number: 14.218 CFDA Title: Community Development Block Grant/Entitlement Grant		
* 12. Funding Opportunity Number: B18UC120003 M18UC120213 E18UC120003 * Title: Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) HOME Investment Partnership Program (HOME) Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG)		
13. Competition Identification Number: N/A Title: 		
14. Areas Affected by Project (Cities, Counties, States, etc.): <input type="text"/> <input type="button" value="Add Attachment"/> <input type="button" value="Delete Attachment"/> <input type="button" value="View Attachment"/>		
* 15. Descriptive Title of Applicant's Project: CDBG: Capital Projects; Public Services; Housing Projects; Admin. HOME: Affordable Housing (SF and MF Rehabilitation); TBRA; CHDOs; Admin. ESG: Shelter Operations; Rapid Re-housing; Prevention; HMIS.		
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16. Congressional Districts Of:	
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17. Proposed Project:	
* a. Start Date: <input type="text" value="10/01/2018"/>	* b. End Date: <input type="text" value="09/30/2019"/>
18. Estimated Funding (\$):	
* a. Federal	<input type="text" value="9,776,319.00"/>
* b. Applicant	<input type="text" value="0.00"/>
* c. State	<input type="text" value="1,387,592.00"/>
* d. Local	<input type="text" value="3,276,000.00"/>
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* g. TOTAL	<input type="text" value="14,439,911.00"/>
* 19. Is Application Subject to Review By State Under Executive Order 12372 Process?	
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<input type="checkbox"/> b. Program is subject to E.O. 12372 but has not been selected by the State for review.	
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* 20. Is the Applicant Delinquent On Any Federal Debt? (If "Yes," provide explanation in attachment.)	
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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 218, Section 1001)	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ** 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: <input type="text" value="Mrs."/>	* First Name: <input type="text" value="Teresa"/>
Middle Name: <input type="text"/>	
* Last Name: <input type="text" value="Jacobs"/>	
Suffix: <input type="text"/>	
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NOTE: Certain of these assurances may not be applicable to your project or program. If you have questions, please contact the Awarding Agency. Further, certain Federal assistance awarding agencies may require applicants to certify to additional assurances. If such is the case, you will be notified.

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

1. Has the legal authority to apply for Federal assistance, and the institutional, managerial and financial capability (including funds sufficient to pay the non-Federal share of project costs) to ensure proper planning, management and completion of project described in this application.
2. Will give the awarding agency, the Comptroller General of the United States and, if appropriate, the State, the right to examine all records, books, papers, or documents related to the assistance; and will establish a proper accounting system in accordance with generally accepted accounting standards or agency directives.
3. Will not dispose of, modify the use of, or change the terms of the real property title or other interest in the site and facilities without permission and instructions from the awarding agency. Will record the Federal awarding agency directives and will include a covenant in the title of real property acquired in whole or in part with Federal assistance funds to assure non-discrimination during the useful life of the project.
4. Will comply with the requirements of the assistance awarding agency with regard to the drafting, review and approval of construction plans and specifications.
5. Will provide and maintain competent and adequate engineering supervision at the construction site to ensure that the complete work conforms with the approved plans and specifications and will furnish progressive reports and such other information as may be required by the assistance awarding agency or State.
6. Will initiate and complete the work within the applicable time frame after receipt of approval of the awarding agency.
7. Will establish safeguards to prohibit employees from using their positions for a purpose that constitutes or presents the appearance of personal or organizational conflict of interest, or personal gain.
8. Will comply with the Intergovernmental Personnel Act of 1970 (42 U.S.C. §§4728-4763) relating to prescribed standards of merit systems for programs funded under one of the 19 statutes or regulations specified in Appendix A of OPM's Standards for a Merit System of Personnel Administration (5 C.F.R. 900, Subpart F).
9. Will comply with the Lead-Based Paint Poisoning Prevention Act (42 U.S.C. §§4801 et seq.) which prohibits the use of lead-based paint in construction or rehabilitation of residence structures.
10. Will comply with all Federal statutes relating to non-discrimination. These include but are not limited to: (a) Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (P.L. 88-352) which prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color or national origin; (b) Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, as amended (20 U.S.C. §§1681 1683, and 1685-1686), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of sex; (c) Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended (29 U.S.C. §794), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of handicaps; (d) the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, as amended (42 U.S.C. §§8101-8107), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of age; (e) the Drug Abuse Office and Treatment Act of 1972 (P.L. 92-255), as amended relating to nondiscrimination on the basis of drug abuse; (f) the Comprehensive Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism Prevention, Treatment and Rehabilitation Act of 1970 (P.L. 91-616), as amended, relating to nondiscrimination on the basis of alcohol abuse or alcoholism; (g) §§523 and 527 of the Public Health Service Act of 1912 (42 U.S.C. §§290 dd-3 and 290 ee 3), as amended, relating to confidentiality of alcohol and drug abuse patient records; (h) Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968 (42 U.S.C. §§3601 et seq.), as amended, relating to nondiscrimination in the sale, rental or financing of housing; (i) any other nondiscrimination provisions in the specific statute(s) under which application for Federal assistance is being made; and (j) the requirements of any other nondiscrimination statute(s) which may apply to the application.

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

<p>SIGNATURE OF AUTHORIZED CERTIFYING OFFICIAL</p> <p>Teresa Jacobs</p>	<p>TITLE</p> <p>Orange County Mayor</p>
<p>APPLICANT ORGANIZATION</p> <p>Orange County Government</p>	<p>DATE SUBMITTED</p>

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I. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

A. *Orange County's 2016-2020 Consolidated Plan*

The statutes mandating the CDBG, HOME and ESG programs require the submission of a Five-Year Plan and a One-Year Action Plan. The Consolidated Plan provides the direction for housing and community development programs for a period of five years.

The Orange County's 2016-2020 Consolidated Plan was approved by the Board of County Commissioners on August 2, 2016. A copy of the 2016-2020 Consolidated Plan is available at:

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

The Consolidated Plan covers three statutory objectives established by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD):

1. Providing decent and affordable housing,
2. Creating a suitable living environment, and/or
3. Expanding economic opportunities

Orange County developed its 2016-2020 Consolidated Plan through a collaborative community engagement process. Numerous needs were identified relating to the issues of housing affordability, homelessness, and services for special needs populations, job training, and community infrastructure needs. In order to address the identified needs, the County has developed the following goals and objectives, which are aligned with the listed statutory objectives.

Goal 1: Collaborate with local and regional stakeholders on provision of affordable housing for low- to moderate-income households

- **Objective 1.1** – Preserve the existing supply of affordable housing units and ensure sustainable investments in affordable rental housing
- **Objective 1.2** – Support creation of new affordable housing units
- **Objective 1.3** – Continue housing rehabilitation efforts to support preservation and maintain quality of affordable owner-occupied housing units
- **Objective 1.4** – Expand the range of affordable housing choices and ensure access to affordable housing
- **Objective 1.5** – Increase homeownership opportunities for low to moderate income households

Goal 2: Enhance the quality of life of low- to moderate-income residents through a variety of revitalization and sustainability efforts, and social and economic activities

- **Objective 2.1** – Support infrastructure improvements and community revitalization efforts in low to moderate income neighborhoods
- **Objective 2.2** – Prevent housing discrimination in our communities
- **Objective 2.3** – Expand access to public services for low income persons to encourage self-sufficiency

- **Objective 2.4** – Continue to provide adequate access to quality public facilities for low to moderate income residents

Goal 3: Utilize a comprehensive strategy to eliminate and prevent homelessness

- **Objective 3.1** – Support activities to eliminate homelessness, particularly among literally homeless, families with children, and veterans
- **Objective 3.2** – Expand activities that lead to permanent housing and stabilization of homeless households
- **Objective 3.3** – Collaborate with the Continuum of Care (CoC) and other stakeholders to effectively share data and resources to improve delivery of homeless services
- **Objective 3.4** – Support activities that focus on preventing households from becoming homeless

B. 2018-2019 One-Year Action Plan

Orange County's Action Plan is the annual operating plan of the County's 2016-2020 Consolidated Plan designed to identify specific activities that Orange County intends to pursue. The Action Plan represents the official application to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for the following federal entitlement programs: Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), HOME Investment Partnership Program (HOME), and the Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG). The 2018-2019 Action Plan represents the third fiscal year of the 2016-2020 Consolidated Plan, and it is effective starting October 1, 2018 through September 30, 2019.

Orange County anticipates receiving approximately \$9,776,319 to pursue community development and housing activities as follows:

- Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) – \$6,508,258
- HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME) – \$2,749,111
- Emergency Solutions Grants (ESG) – \$518,950

The three federal programs that are part of the 2018-2019 Action Plan are intended to satisfy a variety of community development and housing needs in Orange County. CDBG is utilized for capital improvement projects, affordable housing, public service activities, and grant administration. Under the CDBG funding allocation, the amount spent on public service activities is limited to 15 percent, while administration costs are limited to 20 percent of the total allocation.

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

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

activities that typically target low-income persons (income up to 50% of the area's median income).

ESG program funds will be used to assist with emergency shelter operations (including operational expenses and essential services), homeless prevention (including financial assistance and stabilization services), and rapid re-housing (including relocation and financial assistance and stabilization services) for households at risk of homelessness or those who have recently become homeless. Additionally, ESG funds will be used to conduct collection of data on the homeless individuals served with ESG funds, and to support management of the Homeless management Information System (HMIS). Under the ESG funding allocation, the amount spent on shelter operations is limited to 60 percent of the total allocation, while administrative costs are capped at 7.5 percent.

ESG activities target individuals and families that meet the established HUD definition of homeless, including those who are at risk of homelessness. This funding is designated for individuals and families with extremely low incomes. Unlike CDBG and HOME, ESG prevention activities assist individuals and families with gross incomes below 30 percent of the area's median income (AMI) when they seek assistance. For rapid re-housing activities, individuals have to qualify based on the HUD's definition of literally homeless, while their incomes may not exceed 30% of AMI at the time of assessment, which takes place within several month of the program start date.

Orange County's Action Plan explains how federal funds are leveraged and also provides information on planned activities, their allocated funding for the grant year, and how these activities will help the County meet the 2016-2020 Consolidated Plan goals. The 2018-2019 Action Plan is leveraged by other federal and local programs such the State Housing Initiative Program (SHIP) and local general revenue funds targeted for special housing activities (*INVEST* program).

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

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

C. 2018-2019 Action Plan Budget and Projects

As part of the Action Plan process, project proposals for capital improvement, housing, public service, and homeless service activities were reviewed and scored on a competitive basis prior to being recommended for funding. As in previous years, recommendations for funding were made based on project/program eligibility, alignment with the priorities and goals of the Consolidated Plan, and the amount of available funding. A list of proposed activities and anticipated funding sources included in the 2018-2019 One-Year Action Plan is provided below.

PROPOSED 2018-2019 ACTION PLAN BUDGET

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS

Rehabilitation of Public Facilities

Aspire Health Partners, Inc.	\$ 150,000
Orange County Community Action (2Gen Family Service Center)	\$ 700,000
Catholic Charities of Central Florida, Inc.	\$ 347,996
Covenant House Florida, Inc. (Phase II)	\$ 192,772
Life Concepts, Inc. (Phase II)	\$ 135,978
LifeStream Behavioral Center, Inc.	<u>\$ 283,489</u>
Total Capital Improvement Projects	\$1,810,235

HOUSING PROJECTS

Rental Housing Rehabilitation

Multi-unit Rental Housing Rehabilitation Projects	\$ 705,122
Grand Avenue Economic Community Development Corp. (Phase II)	\$ 315,250
Homeowners Single Family Rehabilitation	\$ 900,000
Housing Rehabilitation Administration	<u>\$ 500,000</u>
Total Housing Projects	\$2,420,372

PUBLIC SERVICES

Aspire Health Partners, Inc.	\$ 55,000
Boys and Girls Clubs of Central Florida, Inc.	\$ 38,000
Center for Independent Living in Central Florida, Inc.	\$ 40,000
Coalition for the Homeless of Central Florida, Inc.	\$ 50,000
Community Coordinated Care for Children, Inc.	\$ 186,000
Community Initiatives, Inc.	\$ 30,000
Consumer Credit Counseling Service of Puerto Rico, Inc.	\$ 30,000
Covenant House Florida, Inc.	\$ 35,000
Grand Avenue Economic Community Development Corp.	\$ 30,000
Harbor House of Central Florida, Inc.	\$ 35,000
Health Care Center for the Homeless, Inc.	\$ 45,000
Hispanic Federation, Inc.	\$ 25,000
IMPOWER, Inc.	\$ 30,000
Jewish Family Services of Greater Orlando, Inc.	\$ 52,000
Life Concepts, Inc.	\$ 55,000
LifeStream Behavioral Center, Inc.	\$ 40,000
Lighthouse Central Florida, Inc.	\$ 45,000
Primrose Center, Inc.	\$ 35,000
Seniors First, Inc. (Meals on Wheels)	<u>\$ 120,000</u>
Total Public Services	\$ 976,000

ADMINISTRATION

Fair Housing Activities and Training	\$ 5,000
General Administration	<u>\$1,296,651</u>
Total Administration	\$1,301,651

TOTAL CDBG BUDGET **\$6,508,258**

HOME INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM (HOME)

Tenant Based Rental Assistance	\$1,300,000
Homeowners Single Family Rehabilitation	\$ 300,000
Rental Housing Rehabilitation	\$ 461,833
Community Housing Development Organizations	\$ 412,367
Administration	<u>\$ 274,911</u>
TOTAL HOME BUDGET	\$2,749,111

EMERGENCY SOLUTIONS GRANT (ESG)

SHELTER OPERATIONS

Coalition for the Homeless of Central Florida, Inc.	\$ 135,000
Covenant House Florida, Inc.	\$ 60,000
Family Promise of Greater Orlando, Inc.	\$ 50,000
Harbor House of Central Florida, Inc.	<u>\$ 66,000</u>
Total Shelter Operations	\$ 311,000

RAPID REHOUSING AND STABILIZATION SERVICES

Heart of Florida United Way	<u>\$ 62,000</u>
Total Rapid Rehousing and Stabilization	\$ 62,000

HOMELESSNESS PREVENTION SERVICES

Heart of Florida United Way	\$ 37,950
Southern Territorial Headquarters of the Salvation Army	<u>\$ 50,000</u>
Total Homelessness Prevention	\$ 87,950

HOMELESS MANAGEMENT INFORMATION SYSTEM (HMIS)

Homeless Services Network of Central Florida, Inc.	<u>\$ 20,000</u>
Total HMIS	\$ 20,000

ESG ADMINISTRATION

\$ 38,000

TOTAL ESG BUDGET

\$ 518,950

TOTAL 2018-2019 ACTION PLAN BUDGET

\$9,776,319

REPROGRAMMED CDBG FUNDS

(Residual Funds prior to FY 2018)

Grand Avenue Economic Community Development Corp. (Phase I)	\$ 252,523
Total Reprogrammed CDBG Funds	\$ 252,523

TOTAL 2018-2019 BUDGET (including reprogrammed funds)

\$10,028,842

D. Goals, Objectives, and Outcomes

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

E. Past Performance

Past performance is evaluated each year in the Orange County's Consolidated Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER), the reporting tool that HUD utilizes to monitor and assess performance relating to each Action Plan under the Five-Year Consolidated Plan. The CAPER focuses on housing and community development goals established in the Consolidated Plan and serves as a self-evaluation tool to examine specific accomplishments of the previous fiscal year. Orange County submits the CAPER to HUD for review by December 30th of each year. The CAPER summarizes the accomplishments and outcomes for all activities implemented in the previous fiscal year's Action Plan.

For over four decades, the Housing and Community Development Division has managed federal resources under the CDP formula programs to address housing and community needs of low to moderate income residents of Orange County. As in previous years, the County and its local public and private partners have collaborated to implement a variety of activities through CDBG, HOME and ESG aimed at revitalizing low to moderate income neighborhoods.

Over the years, CDBG has served as the principal funding source for revitalization of low-income neighborhoods through a range of capital improvement projects, including infrastructure improvements and rehabilitation and construction of public facilities. Additionally, CDBG has been used to meet public service needs such as services for seniors, persons with disabilities, homeless services, childcare and afterschool care, and job training and placement programs. Most public service activities conducted under the current Consolidated Plan have generally met or exceeded established goals. The last completed CAPER for FY 2016-2017 reported that a total of 1,240 low-income individuals were assisted with CDBG funded public services. Two (2) public facilities were rehabilitated with CDBG funds, with additional three (3) public facilities nearing completion of construction/rehabilitation.

CDBG is also used to preserve affordable housing stock through housing rehabilitation activities and lead-based paint inspections. One multi-family apartment complex (210 units) was rehabilitated, and a total of 75 low-income homeowner households benefitted from CDBG and HOME-funded housing activities in FY 2016-2017.

Orange County, as a participating jurisdiction for the HOME program, has a great deal of flexibility in designing and managing the program. Under HOME, all activities are focused on affordable housing. Orange County uses HOME funding for the following:

- Tenant based rental assistance (TBRA) for seniors and the disabled;
- Homeowners single family rehabilitation;
- Rental housing rehabilitation; and
- Housing activities with Community Housing Development Organizations (CHDOs).

The CAPER reported a total of 173 households benefitting from HOME activities in FY 2017-2018 in the form of tenant based rental assistance, and a number of homeowners were assisted with housing rehabilitation (a total of 75 homeowners were assisted through CDBG and HOME-funded rehabilitation efforts). In 2017, Orlando Neighborhood Improvement Corporation (ONIC), a certified CHDO, was awarded \$500,000 in 2015 and 2016 HOME funds for rehabilitation of the Forest Edge apartment complex serving very low and low income families. The development provides permanent affordable housing to elderly and disabled residents. ONIC will designate 43 floating units as HOME assisted units. Rehabilitation activities will include energy efficiency improvements, water conservation measures, ADA improvements, and kitchen and bath renovations. The project is expected to be completed in 2018-2019.

The ESG Program has provided funding in Orange County to support activities aimed at assisting homeless individuals and families, and to prevent homelessness. These activities include shelter operations, homeless prevention, rapid re-housing, and data collection through the Homeless Management Information System (HMIS). HMIS allows subrecipients to manage client information and serves as a comprehensive tool for collection of the area's homeless data. The 2016-2017 CAPER reported that 1,038 homeless individuals, including adults and children, were assisted with shelter and related services. Additionally, 9 households (30 individuals) received homelessness prevention services, and 52 households (a total of 116 individuals) received rapid re-housing assistance.

Orange County has also set goals in its Consolidated Plan to serve non-homeless special needs populations. These are defined by HUD as elderly, frail elderly, severely mentally ill, developmentally disabled, physical disabled persons, and persons with drug addictions, individuals living with AIDS, and victims of domestic violence. These populations are generally in the very low income category and at the highest risk of becoming homeless. Orange County administers the Shelter plus Care (S+C) program that assist homeless persons with disabilities with subsidized housing and supportive services. The 2016-2017 CAPER reported assisting 152 disabled individuals with public services, and approximately 94 chronically disabled individuals thru the Shelter Plus Care program (in addition to assisting approximately 173 elderly and/or disabled individuals in the TBRA program).

Orange County administers other federally and state funded programs. In Fiscal Year 2016-2017, the State Housing Initiatives Program (SHIP) funding assisted 148 households with down payment assistance to purchase homes. The County utilized two non-profit credit counseling agencies to provide pre-purchase counseling and homebuyer education trainings through the SHIP program to 2,010 individuals. Pre-purchase classes were provided in English and Spanish. Additionally, post-purchase classes were provided to 41 individuals through the University of Florida and/or Orange County Cooperative Extensions. Under the Neighborhood Stabilization Program (NSP),

which allows for the acquisition, demolition, rehabilitation and resale of foreclosed homes, 10 homes were sold, with additional 6 homes being listed for sale or rehabilitated. Orange County's Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher program administers rental housing subsidies for low-income households. In FY 2016-2017, rental subsidies were provided to approximately 1,198 households. Additionally, 65 veterans received subsidies under the Veterans Administration Supportive Housing (VASH) program.

Finally, in FY 2016-2017, Orange County provided financial incentives, to include \$1M in SHIP funds and \$1M in general revenue funds, to Atlantic Housing Partners, Inc. to construct a 70-unit apartment complex, known as Goldenrod Pointe Apartments. The total project cost was \$13.4M. The development, which was completed in March of 2017, targets very low and low income households, and it has 14 floating units (20%) set aside for homeless households.

Tracking and evaluation of Orange County's performance is an ongoing process that involves reviewing progress and performance through monthly subrecipient reports, on-site monitoring visits, and management of the IDIS system. More details about activities and past performance can be obtained from the Orange County's 2016-2020 Consolidated Plan and the 2016-2017 CAPER by visiting the County's website at:

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

II. CITIZEN PARTICIPATION PLAN

To encourage public participation in community development activities throughout the County, and in keeping with HUD requirements, Orange County established a citizen participation plan, which was updated in August of 2016. The County utilizes a designated process based on this plan to determine community development needs and activities that can address these needs through federally funded housing and community development programs.

The process for the 2018-2019 Action Plan included input from the Community Development Advisory Board, a Request for Applications (RFA) process for potential projects, two (2) technical assistance workshops, two (2) public notices, and a public comment period from June 11, 2018 to July 12, 2018. Additionally, a public hearing to obtain comments on the proposed 2018-2019 Action Plan was held on June 20, 2018.

A. Community Development Advisory Board (CDAB)

Orange County's Community Development Advisory Board (CDAB) serves as a liaison between the Board of County Commissioners, the Housing and Community Development Division, and Orange County residents. Orange County's six district commissioners appoint the CDAB members, giving priority consideration to persons residing in, or representing all six (6) districts in Orange County. In addition, Orange County's Mayor appoints one at-large member. Representatives serve a two-year term and may be reappointed. The board usually convenes on a monthly basis and members are also encouraged to attend scheduled neighborhood organization meetings and public hearings.

CDAB members contribute to the development of the Action Plan by entertaining project presentations and providing input and recommendations on activities and projects to be funded. The CDAB held two meetings during which all agencies applying for funding had an opportunity to present their proposals and answer questions. These meetings were held on April 20 and April 27, 2018. The CDAB heard the budget recommendations for the 2018-2019 Action Plan on May 16, 2018.

B. Request for Applications and Technical Assistance

The process of obtaining citizen input and preparing the Action Plan begins with the solicitation of proposals through the Request for Applications (RFA) process. The RFA ad for 2018-2019 was published in the Orlando Sentinel, a local newspaper of general circulation, on Sunday, February 25, 2018, and in El Sentinel, a Spanish version of the paper on Saturday, February 24, 2018.

Two mandatory pre-award technical assistance workshops were conducted on March 8, 2018. A workshop for CDBG capital improvements projects, public facilities, and housing projects was held at 9:00 am, and it was followed by a combined workshop for CDBG public services and ESG homeless services held at 11:00 am. The audience included individuals and representatives from agencies and community groups interested in learning about and possibly of submitting proposals under the CDBG and/or ESG programs, the application process, and associated requirements.

All applications submitted are evaluated on a set of eligibility requirements and scored on a competitive basis. The RFA scoring criteria includes five main evaluation components: Project Description and Need, Organizational Experience and Capacity, Fiscal Management, Project Approach and Outcomes, and Project Budget and Leverage of Funds.

C. *Public Notices, Public Hearings and Period of Availability*

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

A public notice containing information about the proposed Action Plan budget, announcement of a public hearing, and dates for public review and comment period for the Action Plan was published in the Orlando Sentinel on Sunday, June 10, 2018. The public notice was also published in Spanish newspaper El Sentinel on June 9 and June 16, 2018. The public hearing was held on Wednesday, June 20, 2018, at the Orange County Internal Operations Center located at 450 E. South St., Orlando, Florida. The public comment period began on June 11, 2018, and it will end on July 12, 2018. The draft 2018-2019 Action Plan was also made available online on the Housing and Community Development webpage.

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

D. *Non-English Speaking and Handicapped Provisions*

The Orange County Housing and Community Development Division has full time bilingual staff available to assist non-English speakers. Orange County provides access to all interested non- English speaking individuals, and information in Spanish is included in the Division's public notices. Bilingual information and translators for non-English speaking persons are made available to residents that express a desire to participate in the process. Public notices are also published in El Sentinel, the Spanish version of the local Orlando Sentinel which is available at no cost to the general public.

Orange County has also developed collaborations and working relationships with numerous organizations serving persons with disabilities. Should physically disabled, blind, speaking or hearing-impaired persons express a desire to participate, appropriate measures are undertaken to accommodate those individuals.

E. Project Selection

The Request for Applications (RFA) process to solicit projects is advertised each year in January or February. Viable projects and activities under each grant program are selected for funding at the conclusion of a competitive application process. All applicants are required to participate in the technical assistance workshops that provide guidance and information about the Action Plan and the project selection process.

It should be noted that Orange County staff has in place a framework for evaluating the risks posed by applicants before they receive federal awards. This evaluation may incorporate results of the evaluation of the applicant's eligibility or the quality of its application. If Orange County determines that a federal award will be made, special conditions that correspond to the degree of risk assessed may be applied to the federal award.

Once applications are received, staff from the Housing and Community Development Division reviews the applications, conducts a risk and funding feasibility analysis in accordance to OMB Circular Part 200, and makes recommendations to the members of the Community Development Advisory Board (CDAB). When a consensus is reached, the recommendations from staff and the CDAB are submitted to the Board of County Commissioners (BCC) for approval. The funding recommendations will be submitted for approval to the BCC and to the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) prior to or on August 15, 2018. All funding recommendations are contingent upon HUD's approval of the Action Plan and the availability of funds.

Funding availability is a critical factor in determining which projects will be funded in any given fiscal year; particularly during this funding cycle due to drastic program cuts being considered in the HUD budget.

III. ACTION PLAN ACTIVITIES

Each of the Action Plan activities must address goals and objectives of the 2016-2020 Consolidated Plan and meet at least one of the three statutory objectives:

4. Providing decent and affordable housing,
5. Creating a suitable living environment, and/or
6. Expanding economic opportunities

Table 1 summarizes all of the planned activities for the Fiscal Year 2018-2019 and provides details on the specific objectives, as well as performance indicators and anticipated outcomes of each activity proposed to be funded. Each federal formula grant covered by the Consolidated Plan is represented in **Tables 2-6** of the Action Plan. The tables list all the projects and strategies under each grant program. Further details about the projects are provided in the narrative descriptions under each grant program.

Table 1: Summary of Goals, Objectives and Activities – 2018-2019 Action Plan

Consolidated Plan Goal 1: Collaborate with local and regional stakeholders on provision of affordable housing for low- to moderate-income households					
Consolidated Plan Objective	Action Plan Activities FY 2018-2019	Sources of Funds* FY 2018-2019	Performance Indicators	Anticipated Outcomes	HUD Objective/ Outcome
1.1. Preserve the existing supply of affordable housing units and ensure sustainable investments in affordable rental housing	Multi-unit rental housing rehabilitation	CDBG <i>INVEST</i> HOME	Rental units rehabilitated	274	Decent Housing and Affordability
1.2. Support creation of new affordable housing units	Financial incentives for new housing development	<i>INVEST</i> SHIP HOME NSP	Rental units constructed	96	Decent Housing Accessibility and Availability
	CHDO projects Regulatory incentives (impact fees, expedited permitting)		Homeowner housing added	10	
1.3. Continue housing rehabilitation efforts to support preservation and maintain quality of affordable owner-occupied housing units	Homeowners single-family rehabilitation	CDBG HOME SHIP	Homeowner housing rehabilitated (units)	100	Decent Housing Accessibility and Availability
1.4. Expand the range of affordable housing choices and ensure access to affordable housing	Initiate regulatory changes (Regional Affordable Housing Initiative) Rental assistance subsidies	All	—	—	Decent Housing Accessibility and Availability
			Tenant Based Rental Assistance	200	
1.5. Increase homeownership opportunities for low to moderate income households	Financial incentives for first time home buyers (down payment and closing costs)	SHIP	Direct financial assistance to homebuyers (individuals)	140	Decent Housing and Affordability

* Sources of funds may include non-federal resources, such as Orange County's Citizens Review Panel (CRP) funding and other programs from Orange County's general revenue sources, other state and local sources.

Table 1: Summary of Goals, Objectives and Activities – 2018-2019 Action Plan (cont.)

Consolidated Plan Goal 2: Enhance the quality of life of low- to moderate-income residents through a variety of revitalization and sustainability efforts, and social and economic activities					
Consolidated Plan Objective	Action Plan Activities FY 2018-2019	Sources of Funds* FY 2018- 2019	Performance Indicators	Anticipated Outcomes	HUD Objective/ Outcome
2.1. Support infrastructure improvements and community revitalization efforts in low to moderate income neighborhoods	Rehabilitation and/or construction of public facilities	CDBG	Public facility or infrastructure activity other than LMI housing benefit (persons)	1,000	Suitable Living Environment
			Jobs created/retained	50	Accessibility and Availability
2.2. Prevent housing discrimination in our communities	Fair housing education Training of subrecipients Technical assistance Conciliation, referral and follow-up New collaborations	CDBG	Fair housing training and technical assistance (persons)	100	Suitable Living Environment Accessibility and Availability
2.3. Expand access to public services for low income persons to encourage self-sufficiency	Case management and crisis intervention Job training and placement Services for homeless Services for persons with severe disabilities Childcare assistance Self-sufficiency skills training	CDBG ESG SHIP	Public service activities other than LMI housing benefit	1,200	Suitable Living Environment
			Public service activities for LMI housing benefit	500	Accessibility and Availability
2.4. Continue to provide adequate access to quality public facilities for low to moderate income residents	Rehabilitation of public facilities	CDBG	Public facility rehabilitated/constructed	6	Suitable Living Environment
	Increased access for persons with disabilities				Accessibility and Availability

* Sources of funds may include nonfederal resources, such as Orange County's Citizens Review Panel (CRP) funding and other programs from Orange County's general revenue sources, other state and local sources.

Table 1: Summary of Goals, Objectives and Activities – 2018-2019 Action Plan (cont.)

Consolidated Plan Goal 3: Utilize a comprehensive strategy to eliminate and prevent homelessness					
Consolidated Plan Objective	Action Plan Activities FY 2018-2019	Sources of Funds* FY 2018-2019	Performance Indicators	Anticipated Outcomes	HUD Objective/ Outcome
3.1. Support activities to eliminate homelessness, particularly among literally homeless, families with children, and veterans	Support for operations and essential services of homeless facilities	ESG	Homeless persons overnight shelter	1,000	Decent Housing and Affordability
3.2. Expand activities that lead to permanent housing and stabilization of homeless households	Rental assistance subsidies	ESG HOME HUD-VASH Shelter Plus Care SHIP	Public facility or infrastructure activities for LMI housing benefit (persons)	150	Suitable Living Environment
	Rapid re-housing and stabilization services		Rapid Re-housing (households)	30	Accessibility and Availability
3.3. Collaborate with the Continuum of Care (CoC) and other stakeholders to effectively share data and resources to improve delivery of homeless services	Consultation with the CoC Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) Coordinated Entry System	ESG	HMIS Training (agencies assisted)	5	Accessibility and Availability
3.4. Support activities that focus on preventing households from becoming homeless	Homelessness prevention services	ESG	Homelessness prevention (persons)	25	Decent Housing and Affordability

* Sources of funds may include nonfederal resources, such as Orange County's Citizens Review Panel (CRP) funding and other programs from Orange County's general revenue sources, other state and local sources.

A. Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG)

i. Program Description

The CDBG program requires that each activity proposed in the Action Plan meets one of three statutory goals or national objectives:

- To benefit low and moderate-income persons;
- To eliminate slum and/or blight; or
- To address an urgent need.

If the current budget funding level is maintained, Orange County anticipates receiving \$6,508,258 in CDBG funding for FY 2018-2019 to implement activities aimed at improving the lives of low income residents and revitalizing low income communities. These activities are broken into several categories, including capital improvement projects, housing projects, and public services.

To ensure transparency and accountability, Orange County reports outcomes for each project implemented with CDBG funds. The outcomes are tracked in the HUD's Integrated Disbursement and Information System (IDIS) used for reporting and summarized in the Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER) no later than ninety (90) days after the end of each fiscal year.

In accordance with the HUD's guidelines, to be selected for funding, at least 51% of the project's beneficiaries must be individuals with low to moderate incomes (HUD considers low income households to be those with gross income not exceeding 80 percent of the area median income, based on HUD's income guidelines updated annually). Orange County's CDBG activities typically target households at 50% or below the area's median income in order to assist those in most need.

ii. Capital Improvement Projects (CIPs)

For Fiscal Year 2018-2019, close to thirty percent (~28%) of CDBG funds are targeted for capital improvement projects, with the remainder directed to housing projects, public service activities and administration. Capital improvement funds are generally used to address infrastructure needs of low income neighborhoods and to assist agencies providing services to low income individuals and families by providing them with funds needed to conduct improvements on their facilities. The infrastructure improvements and construction and rehabilitation projects also provide contracting opportunities for local businesses and create additional jobs, therefore helping to promote economic prosperity. There are six (6) capital improvement projects planned for the next fiscal year, which address a variety of community needs. These projects are summarized in **Table 2**.

Table 2: Proposed CDBG Capital Improvement and Housing Projects

Activity Name or Agency Name	Project Description	Proposed Funding Allocation
<i>Rehabilitation of Public Facilities</i>		
Aspire Health Partners, Inc.	Kassab Plaza Emergency Back-up Power Initiative – purchase and installation of an emergency generator at the facility where services to adults and adolescents with mental health, substance abuse and co-occurring disorders are provided	\$ 150,000
Orange County Community Action (2Gen Family Service Center)	Renovation of a vacant County-owned structure into a 2Gen Family Service Center in order to provide wraparound services to low and moderate income families within the Englewood/Azalea Park Community	\$ 700,000
Catholic Charities of Central FL, Inc.	Rehabilitation of two existing public facilities where wraparound services for low and moderate income population are provided. Renovations will include HVAC repairs and replacement, roofing, painting, and improvements to the parking lot.	\$ 347,996
Covenant House Florida, Inc. (Phase II)	The second phase of improvements on the emergency shelter facility for homeless youth, to include general repairs to the kitchen, dining room and common areas.	\$ 192,772
Life Concepts, Inc. (Phase II)	The second phase of renovations to the Quest Training Center Apopka facility to implement various ADA improvements. The project includes replacement of floors, installation of handicap ramps and automatic door operators, and sidewalk and parking lot improvements.	\$ 135,978
LifeStream Behavioral Center, Inc.	Renovations to the Anthony House facility where services to homeless pregnant and postpartum women and their children are provided, to include general improvements and modifications to the structure(s) to increase the facility’s capacity.	\$ 283,489
Total Capital Improvement Projects		\$ 1,810,235
<i>Rental Housing Rehabilitation</i>		
Grand Avenue Economic Community Development Corp.	Maxwell Terrace Affordable Housing Preservation – Two-phased renovations of an affordable apartment complex, to include replacement of a lift station and connecting pipes (Phase I), and replacement of exterior doors and painting of buildings (Phase II)	\$252,523 (FY 2017-18) \$315,250 (FY 2018-19) \$567,773

Due to the scope of work and complexity of the projects, some of them, including renovations on a County-owned building to convert it into a 2Gen Family Service Center, may extend beyond the program year. However, it is anticipated that the majority of the projects described above will be completed within Fiscal Year 2018-2019.

iii. CDBG Housing Projects

The 2018-2019 Annual Action Plan will continue to address affordable housing by providing funding to projects aimed at preservation and rehabilitation of affordable housing, as well as site acquisition for affordable housing. Most activities will benefit very low income households, senior citizens and persons with disabilities.

Orange County’s Housing Rehabilitation Program, which is funded by CDBG, HOME and/or SHIP, provides housing rehabilitation services, including minor repairs up to a maximum of \$20,000 per unit, and substantial repairs up to \$75,000 per unit, to qualified low income households. There is a requirement that homeowners seeking assistance with housing rehabilitation must meet federal household income guidelines, as well as residency requirements. The housing rehabilitation program assists very low income households that earn up to 50 percent of the area median income.

In addition to the single-family homeowner rehabilitation activities, CDBG funds are set aside for multifamily rental housing rehabilitation. Orange County entertains proposals from experienced nonprofit or private development organizations for this activity during the Request for Applications process and throughout the program year.

As **Tables 2 and 3** indicate, Orange County plans to fund a two-phased renovation of the Maxwell Terrace apartment complex, which provides affordable housing to formerly homeless individuals. The renovations will include replacement of a lift station and connecting pipes (Phase I), and replacement of exterior doors and painting of buildings (Phase II). The project will utilize funding from two fiscal years, FY 2017-2018 and FY 2018-2019. Additional funding is also being set aside for other qualified multi-family projects.

Table 3 below lists the CDBG housing activities proposed to be funded in FY 2018-2019.

Table 3: Proposed CDBG Housing Projects

Activity	Proposed Funding Allocation
Multi-unit Rental Housing Rehabilitation Projects	\$ 705,122
Grand Avenue Economic Community Development Corp. (Phase II)	\$ 315,250
Homeowners Single Family Rehabilitation	\$ 900,000
Housing Rehabilitation Administration	\$ 500,000
Total Housing Projects	\$ 2,420,372

iv. Public Service Activities

Public service activities funded by CDBG cannot exceed fifteen percent (15%) of the total grant allocation. For Fiscal Year 2018-2019, public service funding comes in at just under 15% of the total grant allocation.

Objective 2.3 of the 2016-2020 Consolidated Plan, calls for expanding access to public services for low income persons to encourage self-sufficiency. Public service activities proposed for Fiscal Year 2018-2019 generally fall under one of the following categories:

- Case managements and crisis intervention;
- Job training and placement;
- Educational programs;
- Services for homeless;
- Services for persons with severe disabilities;
- Child care assistance; and
- Self-sufficiency skills training.

Table 4 provides a summary of the CDBG public service activities proposed to be funded in FY 2018-2019.

Table 4: Proposed CDBG Public Services Activities

Activity Name or Agency Name	Project Description	Proposed Funding Allocation
Aspire Health Partners, Inc.	Women & Children's Residential Program – comprehensive substance abuse treatment & behavioral health care services for pregnant and postpartum homeless and low income women	\$ 55,000
Boys & Girls Clubs of Central Florida, Inc.	Read, Achieve, Progress, Succeed (RAPS) – child care and after school program for homeless and low income children	\$ 38,000
Center for Independent Living in Central Florida, Inc.	Disability Inclusion: Employment and Youth Transition – job skills training and mentoring for individuals with disabilities	\$ 40,000
Coalition for the Homeless of Central Florida, Inc.	Shelter and Services for Homeless Persons and Families – case management and support services at the Center for Women and Families and Men's Service Center	\$ 50,000
Community Coordinated Care for Children, Inc.	School Readiness Program – child care subsidies for children of low income working families (Note: this CDBG funding serves as a required match for the State program funds)	\$ 186,000
Community Initiatives, Inc.	Public Allies Central Florida – case management, leadership development and job training for low income young adults	\$ 30,000
Consumer Credit Counseling Service of Puerto Rico, Inc.	Smart Seniors Avoid Financial Exploitation- financial education and credit counseling program for low income elderly	\$ 30,000

Table 4: Proposed CDBG Public Services Activities (cont.)

Activity Name or Agency Name	Project Description	Proposed Funding Allocation
Covenant House Florida, Inc.	Parenting Education and Support (PES) Program (parenting and independent life skills) for homeless youth (18-20) staying at the emergency shelter	\$ 35,000
Grand Avenue Economic Community Development Corp.	Homeless Prevention Services (Pathlight HOME) – wraparound case management and support services for formerly homeless individuals	\$ 30,000
Harbor House of Central Florida, Inc.	Children’s Services Program – childcare & case management services for homeless children (0-18) staying at the domestic violence shelter	\$ 35,000
Health Care Center for the Homeless, Inc.	Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services – outpatient counseling and treatment for homeless and low income individuals	\$ 45,000
Hispanic Federation, Inc.	AYUDA Initiative – English as a Second Language (ESL) classes, with an emphasis on job training and placement skills, for low income individuals	\$ 25,000
IMPOWER, INC.	The Village – transitional housing and homelessness prevention program for former foster care and/or at-risk unaccompanied youth (18-24) who are homeless	\$ 30,000
Jewish Family Services of Greater Orlando, Inc.	Family Stabilization Program (FSP) – comprehensive case management, financial counseling and crisis intervention for at-risk individuals and families to help them gain financial stability and self-sufficiency	\$ 52,000
Life Concepts, Inc.	Essentials of Independent Living Program - supported independent living skills training for low income individuals with developmental disabilities	\$ 55,000
LifeStream Behavioral Center, Inc.	Vocational Rehabilitation Counseling (VRC) – vocational rehabilitation services for homeless pregnant and postpartum women residing at the Anthony House facility	\$ 40,000
Lighthouse Central Florida, Inc.	Vision Rehabilitation for Older Blind persons – independent living skills for vision impaired low income older adults	\$ 45,000
Primrose Center, Inc.	Employment Training and Placement for the Intellectually Disabled Adults, to include career assessment, job development, placement, and employability skills	\$ 35,000
Seniors First, Inc. (Meals on Wheels)	Meals on Wheels Program – meal delivery service, to include nutrition education and case management services, for homebound, frail elderly persons	\$ 120,000
Total		\$ 976,000

All agencies receiving CDBG funds are required to enter into a one-year project administration agreement with Orange County that specifies the scope of services to be provided, expected outputs and outcomes, and outlines compliance requirements under CDBG prior to receiving any reimbursement for services provided.

v. CDBG Program Administration

A total of \$1,301,651 has been allocated for CDBG program administration. This includes an allocation of \$5,000 for Fair Housing Activities. Funding for Administration represents just under twenty percent (20%) of the total CDBG budget allocation.

B. HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME)

i. Program Description

In Fiscal Year 2018-2019, Orange County anticipates receiving \$2,749,111 in HOME funds to address eligible housing activities, as required by the HOME final rule 24 CFR Part 92. The HOME program requires a twenty-five percent (25%) non-Federal match of the total grant amount (minus administration costs) for eligible HOME activities.

Orange County will continue to use State Housing Initiative Program (SHIP) funds to provide the match needed. Orange County expects to receive \$1,387,592 in SHIP funds in the upcoming fiscal year. The SHIP funding has decreased drastically as a result of the most recent legislative session that moved a portion of funds to cover school safety after the Parkland shooting event.

Any program income received from HOME activities will be reprogrammed to other eligible activities in need of resources. However, Orange County does not anticipate receiving any program income from HOME activities.

The following housing activities are planned for Fiscal Year 2018-2019:

- Tenant Based Rental Assistance (TBRA);
- Homeowners Single Family Rehabilitation;
- Rental Rehabilitation Projects; and
- Community Housing Development Organizations (CHDOs).

Ten percent (10%) of the total HOME allocation, or \$274,911, will be used for Administration.

ii. Affordable Housing Development

A total of \$300,000 in HOME funding will be designated for homeowners' single family rehabilitation that will help preserve affordable units. This HOME activity is well aligned with the 2016-2020 Consolidated Plan goals and objectives related to addressing the affordable housing needs of our community.

The lack of affordable housing in Orange County continues to be a growing problem, which is currently being looked at as part of the Regional Affordable Housing Initiative. The Initiative, which started in 2016 and is still on-going, brought together Seminole, Orange and Osceola counties, and the City of Orlando in an attempt to find solutions to the affordable housing crisis by identifying areas suitable for affordable housing projects, providing examples of affordable housing products, and outlining regulatory and financial incentives for development of affordable units. The Executive Summary of the Initiative, which includes the proposed policy framework and steps for moving forward as a region in addressing the affordable housing crisis, has recently been finalized and is

scheduled to be presented to the Orange County Board of County Commissioners in June-July of 2018.

iii. Community Housing Development Organizations (CHDOs)

The HOME program requires that jurisdictions commit a minimum of fifteen percent (15%) of their HOME funds to projects conducted in collaboration with Community Housing Development Organizations (CHDOs). CHDOs are organizations involved in the development of affordable housing units. They receive a special designation based on their experience, composition and nonprofit status. Jurisdictions have up to 24 months to commit funds to CHDO projects.

For FY 2018-2019, a total of \$412,367 has been allocated to CHDO projects. HOME CHDO funds may be used to construct or acquire affordable housing, rehabilitate, refinance and/or pay for project related costs that result in new affordable housing units.

In Orange County, all CHDOs are required to leverage HOME funds with local and/or private resources. Each CHDO project requires entering into a developer's agreement that summarizes all of the Federal rules, provides land use restrictions, and covers long-term affordability requirements.

Orange County has been successful in creating and preserving affordable rental housing units with CHDOs. The County is currently in the process of conducting a limited rehabilitation of 35 HOME assisted units and making some site improvements at the Forest Edge apartment complex using HOME CHDO funds. This project is expected to be completed in 2018. Additionally, during the recent Request for Applications process, Orange County received several applications from non-profit housing developers, who are qualified CHDOs, for various rehabilitation and construction projects. The County is still in the process of evaluating feasibility of some of those proposed projects.

iv. Rental Housing Rehabilitation Projects

HOME funds may also be used for acquisition and/or rehabilitation of rental housing projects. Funded projects must meet HOME occupancy guidelines by low income households. Due to the limited amount of funding available, HOME funds are usually used to leverage other funding sources in affordable rental housing projects. In FY 2018-2019, a total of \$461,833 in HOME funds has been designated for rental housing rehabilitation.

All HOME funded projects are subject to review and project requirements that include, but are not limited to, rent limitations and compliance with all HOME regulations and performance reports.

v. Down Payment Assistance

Orange County does not allocate HOME funds for down payment assistance. Instead, local SHIP funds are used to assist eligible low income first time home buyers with purchasing a new or existing home. The funding provided can be used to pay for all or a portion of the closing costs and/or the down payment associated with purchasing a home. The total amount of assistance (up to \$30,000) varies depending of the annual household income of a potential applicant.

vi. Resale and Recapture Provisions

When applicable, Orange County shall recapture HOME funds in HOME assisted unit when the unit fails to meet the affordability standards set forth in the HOME agreement. If a HOME funded property or any interest in it is sold, rented, refinanced, conveyed, or transferred, the HOME investment in the property shall be recaptured.

The amount to be recaptured is subject to the stipulations of the HOME agreement or the available net sales proceeds. Recapture provisions, pursuant to 24 CFR 92.254, include any HOME funds for construction, down payment assistance and/or closing costs.

When HOME funds are used for homeownership activities, recapture provisions are enforced in the deed and through a promissory note. Circumstances in which the assisted unit is subject to recapture of funds include cases when an assisted single family home does not continue to be the principal residence of the family (i.e. if the property is rented) or when the property is sold. The amount of assistance provided is recaptured by Orange County in full upon default. The amount of HOME funds subject to recapture is based on the amount of assistance identified in the note and deed that enabled the homebuyer to purchase the unit.

HOME funds may be forgiven contingent upon the amount of per unit subsidy received, with a minimum affordability period of five (5) years.

vii. Tenant Based Rental Assistance (TBRA)

During FY 2018-2019, Orange County will continue assisting disabled, elderly and/or homeless individuals with tenant based rental assistance. This activity will be funded in the amount of \$1,300,000 to serve approximately 200 very low and low income households.

viii. HOME Program Administration

Funding will be allocated to planning, program administration, and project monitoring for all HOME funded activities. The amount allocated for HOME program administration is \$274,911.

Table 5 lists the HOME Program activities that are proposed in FY 2018-2019.

Table 5: HOME Projects Budget

Activity	Proposed Funding Allocation
Tenant Based Rental Assistance	\$1,300,000
Homeowners Single Family Rehabilitation	\$ 300,000
Rental Housing Rehabilitation	\$ 461,833
Community Housing Development Organizations	\$ 412,367
Administration	\$ 274,911
Total HOME Budget	\$2,749,111

C. Emergency Solutions Grant Program (ESG)

i. Program Description

Orange County's ESG projects to be funded under the 2018-2019 Action Plan will address homeless needs under the following designated ESG activities:

- **Emergency Shelter** – Operations and essential services, to include costs for operating, maintaining, and repairing a facility for the homeless; costs for essential services associated with case management and related assistance intended to help homeless persons become more self-sufficient.
- **Rapid Re-housing** – Housing relocation and stabilization services and short and/or medium-term rental assistance, as necessary to help families living in shelters or in places not meant for human habitation to quickly move into permanent housing and achieve stability in that housing.
- **Homelessness Prevention** – Housing relocation and stabilization services and short and/or medium-term rental assistance, as necessary to prevent individuals and families from becoming homeless.
- **Homeless Management Information System (HMIS)** – HMIS data collection, administration, and technical assistance.

Orange County anticipates receiving a total of \$518,950 in ESG funds during FY 2018-2019 and will award these funds to seven (7) agencies. Approximately \$311,000 (~60%) of the total allocation has been budgeted for shelter operations and essential services, \$87,950 (~17%) for homelessness prevention, \$62,000 (~12%) for rapid re-housing assistance, and \$20,000 (~4%) for management and maintenance of the HMIS and associated training for ESG-funded agencies (with an exception of a domestic violence shelter provider). Additionally, \$38,000 (~7%) is budgeted for program administration activities.

The Emergency Solutions Grant regulations (24 CFR Part 576) contain a 100% match requirements, and recipient jurisdictions must ensure that there is a match for all ESG dollars provided. The jurisdictions may do so by requiring its subrecipients to provide a match equal to 100% of the value of their individual allocation. Consequently, Orange County includes provisions for an eligible match from subrecipient agencies, which is equal in value to the amount of funding received, as part of the project administration agreements. Each source of match is reviewed to determine eligibility.

Table 6 outlines ESG activities that are proposed to be funded during FY 2018-2019.

Table 6: Proposed ESG Projects Budget

Activity Name or Agency Name	Project Description	Proposed Funding
SHELTER OPERATIONS		
Coalition for the Homeless of Central Florida, Inc.	Shelter Operations for Homeless Individuals and Families – to cover essential costs of shelter operations at two facilities serving the homeless (Center for Women and Families and Men's Service Center)	\$ 135,000
Covenant House Florida, Inc.	Sheltering Homeless Youth (THRIVE Program) – to support operational expenses and provision of essential services at the shelter facility for homeless unaccompanied youth ages 18-20.	\$ 60,000
Family Promise of Greater Orlando, Inc.	Interfaith Hospitality Network (IHN) Shelter Program – to support operational expenses and essential services (case management) at the shelter facilities for homeless families	\$ 50,000
Harbor House of Central Florida, Inc.	Emergency Domestic Violence Shelter – to assist with operating costs of the shelter facility for victims of domestic abuse and their children	\$ 66,000
Total Shelter Operations		\$ 311,000
RAPID RE-HOUSING AND STABILIZATION SERVICES		
Heart of Florida United Way	Funding for rapid re-housing assistance, including case management, housing location and relocation services for qualified individuals and families who have recently become homeless	\$ 62,000
HOMELESSNESS PREVENTION SERVICES		
Heart of Florida United Way	Basic Needs Program – funding for homelessness prevention (rental assistance and stabilization services) for eligible individuals and families who are at risk of becoming homeless	\$ 37,950
Southern Territorial Headquarters of The Salvation Army	Homeless Prevention Program – comprehensive services (case management and financial assistance) for individuals and families who are at risk of becoming homeless	\$ 50,000
Total Homelessness Prevention		\$87,950
HOMELESS MANAGEMENT INFORMATION SYSTEM (HMIS)		
Homeless Services Network of Central Florida, Inc.	Funding to support HMIS data collection, data maintenance and provision of technical assistance to ESG-funded agencies	\$ 20,000
TOTAL ESG GRANT (includes \$38,000 in ESG ADMINISTRATION)		\$ 518,950

All agencies receiving ESG funding have committed to providing matching funds. The agencies are also required to enter into a one-year project administration agreement with Orange County that specifies the source of match, outlines the scope of services to be provided, includes anticipated outputs and outcomes, and summarizes compliance requirements under ESG prior to receiving any reimbursement for services provided.

The Housing and Community Development Division verifies match requirements for the Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) to ensure compliance with guidelines. All ESG funded agencies must provide a 100% match. In addition to being stated in the agreement for project administration with ESG funded agencies and verified during the reimbursement process, match requirements are also monitored by the Housing and Community Development staff during the on-site monitoring visits.

IV. SUBSTANTIAL AMENDMENTS

No modifications are anticipated to the 2018-2019 One-Year Action Plan.

V. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

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The Executive Summary of the Action Plan will also be available in an electronic format upon request. Upon approval, the 2018-2019 Action Plan will be available on the Orange County website at www.ocfl.net.

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For additional information about the public hearing, please call 407-836-5191.

VI. PUBLIC NOTICES

**NOTICE OF FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES – INITIAL ANNOUNCEMENT
TO ALL INTERESTED ORGANIZATIONS, AGENCIES AND PERSONS
ANNUAL ACTION PLAN FISCAL YEAR 2018-2019
FOR FEDERAL GRANT PROGRAMS:
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT
(B18-UC-12-0003) (CFDA 14.218)
EMERGENCY SOLUTIONS GRANT (E18-UC-12-0003) (CFDA 14.231)
HOME INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM
(M18-UC-12-0213) (CFDA14.239)**

Orange County, through its Housing and Community Development Division, is in the process of developing a One-Year Action Plan for the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG), and the HOME programs funded by the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). The Action Plan lists the activities Orange County intends to pursue through the CDBG, ESG and HOME programs to address the needs identified in the 2016-2020 Orange County Consolidated Plan.

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

Orange County anticipates receiving the following formula allocations: CDBG \$5,764,672; ESG \$502,071, and HOME \$1,918,069 for eligible activities and grant administration. A request for applications (RFA) process will begin on **March 1, 2018** and will end on **April 3, 2018, at 5:00 p.m.** for state certified 501(c)(3) organizations, public entities, jurisdictions participating in Orange County's Urban County program, and neighborhood organizations. Proposals will be reviewed for consistency with federal regulations, priority needs, feasibility of the project, and other criteria outlined in the Request for Application (RFA).

The priorities for FY 2018-2019 are aligned with the current Consolidated Plan goals, which are as follows:

Goal #1: Collaborate with local and regional stakeholders on provision of affordable housing for low to moderate income households; *Goal #2:* Enhance the quality of life of low to moderate income residents through a variety of revitalization and sustainability efforts, and social and economic activities; *Goal #3:* Utilize a comprehensive strategy to eliminate and prevent homelessness. Priority consideration will also be given to multi-year projects already in implementation, projects that can be implemented in the least amount of time or "shovel ready", and projects that prove to provide a direct benefit to limited clientele (presumed low-income populations in accordance to HUD) and low-income populations.

Orange County has in place a framework for evaluating the risks posed by applicants before they receive federal awards. This evaluation incorporates capacity of the applicant's ability to carry out the project, financial stability of the organization, quality of management systems, applicant's record in managing federal awards, reports and findings from audits and the quality of the application.

The mandatory pre-award technical assistance workshops will be conducted for CDBG Capital Improvements Projects, public facilities, and housing projects on **Thursday, March 8, 2018 from 9:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.**, and for CDBG Public Services and ESG homeless services on the same date from **11:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.** at the Orange County Administration Building, in the Commission Chambers, located at 201 S. Rosalind Avenue, Orlando, Florida 32801. The workshops will provide technical assistance and information about funding criteria for project submissions. Organizations interested in submitting a proposal must attend the workshops. To confirm attendance, please e-mail Gonzalo.Loayza@ocfl.net or Elizabeth.Rico@ocfl.net

Proposals are specifically requested for, but are not limited to the following categories:

1. **CDBG Public Services** – To include senior services, services for the disabled, health services, and other services that benefit low-income individuals.
2. **ESG Homeless Activities** – To include funding for operation of homeless shelters and homelessness prevention and rapid re-housing services.
3. **CDBG Capital Improvement Projects** – To include capital improvement projects in low-income neighborhoods and rehabilitation and/or construction of public facilities. Priority will be given to Orange County's multi-year projects.
4. **CDBG/HOME Housing Projects** – To include funding for nonprofit organization for projects that create or preserve affordable housing and housing projects for individuals with special needs.

Request For Applications (RFA) may be accessed at:

<http://www.ocfl.net/NeighborsHousing/CommunityDevelopment.aspx> and must be completed and submitted online through ZoomGrants™. No paper copies will be accepted. If you experience difficulty finding the RFA, you may contact: Inabert.Ramos@ocfl.net for additional information and assistance.

All funding recommendations are contingent upon the Board of County Commissioner's approval and HUD's final approval of the Action Plan. Orange County reserves the right to accept or reject any or all applications, and to fund applications that best serve the interest of Orange County. If you have additional questions, please contact Janna Souvorova, Chief Planner, at (407) 836-0963.

Section 286.0105, Florida Statutes states that if a person decides to appeal any decision made by a board, agency, or commission with respect to any matter considered at a meeting or hearing, he or she will need a record of the proceedings, and that, for such purpose, he may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based.

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), if any person with a disability as defined by the ADA needs special accommodation to participate in this proceeding, then not later than two business days prior to the proceeding, he or she should contact the Orange County Communications Division at (407) 836-5631.

Para mayor información en español, por favor llame la División de Vivienda y Desarrollo Comunitario al número 407-836-5191.



**AVISO DE OPORTUNIDADES PARA OBTENCIÓN DE FONDOS – ANUNCIO INICIAL
PARA TODAS LAS ORGANIZACIONES, AGENCIAS Y PERSONAS INTERESADAS
PLAN DE ACCIÓN ANUAL DEL AÑO FISCAL 2018-2019 PARA PROGRAMAS
DE SUBSIDIOS FEDERALES:
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT
(B18-UC-12-0003) (CFDA 14.218)
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(M18-UC-12-0213) (CFDA14.239)**

El Condado de Orange, a través de su División de Vivienda y Desarrollo Comunitario, está en proceso de desarrollar un Plan de Acción de un Año para los programas federales Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), el Subsidio para Soluciones de Emergencia (ESG), y los Programas HOME que utilizan fondos del Departamento de Vivienda y Desarrollo Urbano (HUD). El Plan de Acción detalla actividades que el Condado Orange tiene intenciones de perseguir a través de los programas CDBG, ESG y HOME para abordar las necesidades identificadas en el Plan Consolidado 2016-2020 del Condado Orange.

El objetivo principal del programa CDBG es el desarrollo de comunidades urbanas viables al brindar viviendas dignas, un ambiente de vida adecuado y la expansión de oportunidades económicas para personas de recursos bajos a moderados. El objetivo principal del programa ESG es el suministro de servicios y el sostenimiento de viviendas para las personas sin hogar. El objetivo principal del programa HOME es brindar viviendas económicas y dignas a familias de bajos ingresos y extender los esfuerzos para preservar y expandir la disponibilidad de viviendas económicas.

El Condado Orange prevé recibir las siguientes asignaciones: CDBG \$5,764,672; ESG \$502,071, y HOME \$1,918,069 para actividades elegibles y la administración del subsidio. El 1 de marzo del 2018 comenzará un pedido para el proceso de solicitudes (RFA) que terminará el 3 de abril del 2018 a las 5:00 p.m., para organizaciones certificadas por el estado 501(c)(3), entidades públicas, jurisdicciones participantes en el Programa Urbano CDBG del Condado Orange y organizaciones vecinales. Las propuestas se revisarán para fines de consistencia con las regulaciones federales, necesidades de prioridades, factibilidad del proyecto y otros criterios detallados en el Pedido de Solicitudes (RFA).

Las prioridades para el Año Fiscal 2018-2019 se alinean con los objetivos del Plan Consolidado actual, y son los siguientes:

Objetivo N.º 1: Colaborar con depositarios locales y regionales para suministrar viviendas dignas y económicas para familias de ingresos bajos a moderados; Objetivo N.º 2: Mejorar la calidad de vida de residentes de ingresos bajos y moderados a través de una variedad de esfuerzos de revitalización y sostenibilidad, y actividades sociales y económicas; Objetivo N.º 3: Utilizar una estrategia integral para eliminar y prevenir la falta de vivienda. Se dará también consideración prioritaria a proyectos de varios años que ya están siendo implementados, proyectos que pueden ser implementados en el menor tiempo posible o listos para implementación "inmediata", y proyectos que demuestran ofrecer un beneficio directo a un grupo limitado de clientes (poblaciones que se presume tienen bajos ingresos conforme a HUD) y poblaciones de bajos ingresos.

El Condado de Orange tiene establecida una estructura para evaluar los riesgos que ofrecen los solicitantes antes de recibir fondos federales. Esta evaluación tiene en cuenta la capacidad del solicitante para llevar a cabo el proyecto, la estabilidad financiera de la organización, la calidad de los sistemas de administración, experiencia del solicitante para administrar programas federales, los informes y hallazgos de las auditorías y la calidad de la solicitud.

Para los proyectos CDBG de mejoramiento de capital, instalaciones públicas y viviendas, se realizará un taller de entrenamiento obligatorio de pre-asignación el jueves 8 de marzo del 2018, desde las 9:00 a.m. hasta las 10:30 a.m., y para proyectos CDBG de servicios públicos y ESG de servicios a personas sin hogar, se realizará el taller en la misma fecha desde las 11:00 a.m. hasta las 12:30 p.m. en el Condado Orange, Edificio de Administración, en la Cámara de la Junta de los Comisionados, ubicada en el 201 S. Rosalind Avenue, Orlando, Florida 32801. El taller brindará soporte técnico e información sobre el criterio de fondos para las propuestas de proyectos. Las organizaciones interesadas en presentar una propuesta deben asistir a este taller. Para confirmar asistencia envíe un correo electrónico a Gonzalo.Loayza@ocfl.net o Elizabeth.Rico@ocfl.net

Las propuestas se requieren específicamente para, pero no se limitan a las siguientes categorías:

1. **CDBG Servicios Públicos** – Propuestas de servicios para personas mayores, servicios para personas discapacitadas, servicios de salud y otros servicios que beneficien a las personas de bajos ingresos.
2. **ESG Actividades para las Personas sin Hogar** – Propuestas de fondos para el funcionamiento de refugios para las personas sin hogar y servicios para realojamiento de vivienda inmediato.
3. **CDBG Proyectos de Mejoramiento de Capital** – Propuestas para proyectos de mejora de capital en barrios de bajos ingresos y rehabilitación y/o construcción de instalaciones públicas. Se dará prioridad a los proyectos de varios años del Condado de Orange.
4. **CDBG/HOGAR Proyectos de Vivienda** – Propuestas para fondos para organizaciones sin fines de lucro para proyectos que crean o preservan viviendas económicas y proyectos de vivienda para personas con necesidades especiales.

Las entidades interesadas pueden acceder las solicitudes para proyectos (RFA) en:

<http://www.ocfl.net/NeighborsHousing/CommunityDevelopment.aspx> y debe completarse y entregarse en línea a través de ZoomGrants™. No se aceptarán copias en papel. Si tiene dificultades para encontrar la RFA, puede contactarse con: inalbert.Ramos@ocfl.net para solicitar ayuda e información adicionales.

Todas las recomendaciones de fondos están supeditadas a la aprobación de la Junta de Comisionados del Condado Orange y a la aprobación final del Departamento Federal de Vivienda (HUD) del Plan de Acción. El Orange County se reserva el derecho de aceptar o rechazar cualquier solicitud, y las solicitudes de fondos que mejor sirvan a los intereses de Orange County. Si tiene preguntas adicionales, contáctese con Janna Souvorova, Directora de Programas, al 407-836-0963.

La Sección 286.0105, de los Estatutos de la Florida declara que si una persona decide apelar cualquier decisión hecha por la junta, agencia o comisión con respecto a cualquier tema considerado en una reunión o audiencia, esa persona necesitará un registro de los procedimientos, y a tal fin, debe asegurar que se realice el acta literal de los procesos y que dicha acta incluya el testimonio y la prueba en la que se basa la apelación.

Conforme a la ley para "Americanos con Discapacidad" o ADA por sus siglas en inglés, si una persona con una discapacidad, según lo define ADA, necesita arreglos especiales para participar en este proceso, no más tarde de dos días hábiles antes del proceso, esta persona debe ponerse en contacto con la División de Comunicaciones del Orange County al (407) 836-3111.

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**PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE
2018-2019 ONE-YEAR ACTION PLAN**

A public hearing will be conducted on June 20, 2018, at 6:00 p.m., at the Largo Training Room located on the First Floor of the Orange County Internal Operations Centre I (450 E. South St, Orlando, Florida 32801). Representatives from the Orange County Housing and Community Development Division and the Community Development Advisory Board will conduct the Public Hearing to receive citizen comments on the priority needs and proposed activities to be included in the 2018-2019 One-Year Action Plan. All citizen comments received will be incorporated into the final documents in accordance to 24 CFR Part 91, and submitted to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development on or about August 15, 2018.

The Action Plan is the annual operating plan designed to identify specific activities that Orange County intends to pursue through the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME), Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG), and other state and local housing and community development programs, to address the objectives identified in the 2016-2020 Orange County Consolidated Plan. The Action Plan will cover the period starting October 1, 2018 through September 30, 2019. A list of proposed activities and anticipated funding sources included in the 2018-2019 One-Year Action Plan are provided below.

**COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (B18UC120003)
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS**

Rehabilitation of Public Facilities

Aspire Health Partners, Inc.	\$ 150,000
Orange County Community Action Div. (2Gen Family Service Center)	\$ 700,000
Catholic Charities of Central Florida, Inc.	\$ 347,996
Covenant House Florida, Inc. (Phase II)	\$ 192,772
Life Concepts, Inc. (Phase II)	\$ 135,978
LifeStream Behavioral Center, Inc.	\$ 283,489
Total Capital Improvement Projects	\$1,810,235

HOUSING PROJECTS

Rental Housing Rehabilitation

Multi-unit Rental Housing Rehabilitation Projects	\$ 705,122
Grand Avenue Economic Community Development Corp. (Phase II)	\$ 315,250
Homeowners Single Family Rehabilitation	\$ 900,000
Housing Rehabilitation Administration	\$ 500,000
Total Housing Projects	\$2,420,372

PUBLIC SERVICES

Aspire Health Partners, Inc.	\$ 55,000
Boys and Girls Clubs of Central Florida, Inc.	\$ 38,000
Center for Independent Living in Central Florida, Inc.	\$ 40,000
Coalition for the Homeless of Central Florida, Inc.	\$ 50,000
Community Coordinated Care for Children, Inc.	\$ 186,000
Community Initiatives, Inc.	\$ 30,000
Consumer Credit Counseling Service of Puerto Rico, Inc.	\$ 30,000
Covenant House Florida, Inc.	\$ 35,000
Grand Avenue Economic Community Development Corp.	\$ 30,000
Harbor House of Central Florida, Inc.	\$ 35,000

Health Care Center for the Homeless, Inc.	\$ 45,000
Hispanic Federation, Inc.	\$ 25,000
IMPOWER, Inc.	\$ 30,000
Jewish Family Services of Greater Orlando, Inc.	\$ 52,000
Life Concepts, Inc.	\$ 55,000
LifeStream Behavioral Center, Inc.	\$ 40,000
Lighthouse Central Florida, Inc.	\$ 45,000
Primrose Center, Inc.	\$ 35,000
Seniors First, Inc. (Meals on Wheels)	<u>\$ 120,000</u>
Total Public Services	\$ 976,000

CDBG ADMINISTRATION

Fair Housing Activities and Training	\$ 5,000
General Administration	<u>\$1,296,651</u>
Total Administration	\$1,301,651

TOTAL CDBG **\$6,508,258**

HOME INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIPS PROGRAM (M18UC120213)

Tenant Based Rental Assistance	\$1,300,000
Homeowners Single Family Rehabilitation	\$ 300,000
Rental Housing Rehabilitation	\$ 461,833
Community Housing Development Organizations	\$ 412,367
Administration	<u>\$ 274,911</u>

TOTAL HOME **\$2,749,111**

EMERGENCY SOLUTIONS GRANT (E18UC120003)

SHELTER OPERATIONS

Coalition for the Homeless of Central Florida, Inc.	\$ 135,000
Covenant House Florida, Inc.	\$ 60,000
Family Promise of Greater Orlando, Inc.	\$ 50,000
Harbor House of Central Florida, Inc.	<u>\$ 66,000</u>
Total Shelter Operations	\$ 311,000

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Total Rapid Rehousing and Stabilization	\$ 62,000

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HOMELESS MANAGEMENT INFORMATION SYSTEM (HMIS)

Homeless Services Network of Central Florida, Inc.	<u>\$ 20,000</u>
Total HMIS	\$ 20,000

ESG ADMINISTRATION **\$ 38,000**

TOTAL ESG **\$ 518,950**

TOTAL 2018-2019 ACTION PLAN BUDGET	\$9,776,319
REPROGRAMMED CDBG FUNDS (Residual Funds prior to FY 2018)	
Grand Avenue Economic Community Development Corp. (Phase I)	\$ 252,523
Total Reprogrammed CDBG Funds	\$ 252,523
TOTAL 2018-2019 BUDGET (including reprogrammed funds)	\$10,028,842

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