

# CDBG-Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR) Community Meeting Summary October 18, 2023



Green Briar Village Clubhouse - 6 p.m.  
10151 Gifford Blvd.  
Orlando, FL 32821

Persons in attendance:  
7

## Comments/Concerns/Clarifications

- **Flooding/Drainage:** (Shingle Creek, Orangewood Blvd.) Extensive flooding during and after Hurricane Ian. Need to conserve wetlands to allow for natural drainage solutions. Extensive development in the area caused older communities to flood (did not flood before). New developments only address drainage within the proposed development; need to look at their effect on surrounding areas. Flooding in the community, to include roadway flooding, even during the regular rain events.
- **Infrastructure:** Overdevelopment (hotels, apartments, etc.) is worsening drainage issues; suggested to consider restricting development until infrastructure catches up with increased drainage needs. (e.g. close to 100,000 units are being proposed/developed in a 5-mile radius of Williamsburg and Green Briar communities).
- **Mitigation:** Stormwater retention requirements are currently under review/floodplain studies underway to address increased rainfall due to an on-going climate change and its impact on stormwater and drainage.
- **Natural environment:** Animals encroaching on homes due to loss of habitat/floodplains.
- **Public Service:** Education/awareness of planning/development process for residents. Disaster preparation—need general knowledge and information on what to do before and after a disaster.
- **Businesses:** Many businesses were impacted by extended road closures due to flooding and slow drainage.
- **Housing:** Rising homeowner insurance costs/premiums—can CDBG-DR be used to assist low-income homeowners with insurance costs?

## Priorities Identified

### HOUSING - 9

- New construction - 2
- Homeownership assistance - 1
- Rental assistance - 2
- Rehabilitation/Reconstruction - 3
- Property buyout - 1
- Other - 0

### INFRASTRUCTURE - 12

- Public facilities - 0
- Drainage/Utilities - 12
- Water and wastewater facilities - 0
- Other - 0

### ECONOMIC REVITALIZATION - 0

- Business retention program(s) - 0
- Loans and grants to businesses - 0

### PUBLIC SERVICES - 1

- Legal assistance - 1
- Housing counseling - 0
- Mental/Health services - 0
- Housing stability services - 0
- Job training/Placement - 0
- Other - 0

