

## PUBLIC NOTICE - PUBLIC HEARINGS PROPOSED 2026-2026 ANNUAL PLAN FIRST PUBLIC HEARING DATE: JULY 15, 2025 FINAL PUBLIC HEARING DATE: AUGUST 5, 2025



**Notice to Citizens:** Marion County and the City of Ocala HOME Consortium will be conducting a final public hearing for the <u>FY 2025-2026 Annual Action Plan</u>. The purpose of the final public hearing is to discuss the HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME) Program, and Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) Program through the Marion County and the City of Ocala HOME Consortium, as well as the housing, community, and economic development needs of Marion County using Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG) funds. This information will be utilized by the County for the preparation of the FY 2025-2026 Annual Action Plan.

A summary of public comments concerning identified needs received on the proposed FY 2025-2026 Annual Action Plan, will be provided to the County Administrator and Board of County Commissioners prior to their approval, and the summary of public comments will be included in the FY 2025-2026 Annual Action Plan when submitted to HUD on or about August 16, 2025.

A Final Public Hearing will be held to receive citizen input for the FY 2025-2026 Annual Action Plan:

SITE	ADDRESS	DATE	TIME
Marion County Auditorium	601 SE 25 <sup>th</sup> Avenue Ocala, FL. 34471	July 15, 2025	10:00 AM or soon thereafter
Marion County Auditorium	601 SE 25 <sup>th</sup> Avenue Ocala, FL. 34471	August 5, 2025	10:00 AM

For citizens unable to participate in the Public Needs Hearing, written comments should be sent to:

Marion County Community Services
Attention: Community Development Administrator
2710 E. Silver Springs Blvd.

Ocala, FL 34470

Telephone: 352-671-8770 Fax: 352-671-8769

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**THIRTY-DAY PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD:** The 30-day public comment period is from July 10, 2025 to August 10, 2025, until 5:00 PM for the Annual Action Plan, and the proposed use of funds. During this period, a draft of both the Consolidated Plan and Action Plan will be available for public review on the County Web site: <a href="https://www.marionfl.org/agencies-departments/departments-facilities-offices/community-services/reports-plans">https://www.marionfl.org/agencies-departments/departments-facilities-offices/community-services/reports-plans</a>.

ONE YEAR 2025-2026 ACTION PLAN: Based on the information and analysis in the Consolidated Plan, the County annually develops a one-year Action Plan. The Action Plan sets priorities and allocates the County's Fiscal Year 2025-2026 CDBG funds and Consortium's HOME and ESG funds for activities in the upcoming program year (October 1, 2025- September 30, 2026). Each of the Consortium members receives CDBG funds directly from HUD and is individually responsible for developing their own CDBG Action Plan.

The County follows an adopted Citizen Participation Plan, which provides for scheduled public hearings and encourages citizens, service providers, and interested individuals to provide input. During the development of the Consolidated Plan

and Action Plan, meetings were held at different stages of the process to provide the greatest possible citizen participation, consultation, and partnership-building benefits.

The following are the proposed allocations and funding recommendations for the use of County CDBG and Consortium HOME funds for Fiscal Year 2025-2026; CDBG PROGRAM (Marion County only): allocation is \$2,173,037.00. The allocation breakdown is proposed as follows:

Marion County was awarded FY 2025-2026 funding through CDBG, HOME, and ESG in the following amounts:

Grant Program	2025-2026 Annual Action
	Plan
CDBG	\$2,173,037
HOME	\$891,550.13
ESG	\$190,774.00
TOTAL:	\$3,255,361.13

## 2025-2026 Annual Action Plan

Goals	2025	
	CDBG	
Public Service	\$325,955	
Non-Profit Facility	\$565,137	
Clearance &	\$582,301	
Demo/Slum & Blight		
Administration	\$434,607	
Subtotal:	\$2,173,037	
	HOME	
New Construction	\$565,040	
HOME Consortium	\$237,355	
Administration	\$89,155	
Subtotal:	\$891,550	
	ESG	
Street Outreach	\$100,000	
Homeless Prevention	\$76,466	
Administrative Funds	\$14,308	
Subtotal:	\$190,774	

## **ADA Accommodation.**

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, persons needing a special accommodation or an interpreter to participate in any public proceeding should contact Marion County's ADA Compliance Coordinator/ HR Director at (352) 438-2345. Please submit a request within 48 hours in advance of the proceedings as scheduled so Marion County can make appropriate arrangements to provide the requested service.