

## **NOTICE OF FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT AND NOTICE OF INTENT TO REQUEST RELEASE OF FUNDS**

April 18, 2025  
Orange County  
Housing and Community Development Division  
525 East South Street  
Orlando, FL 32801  
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These notices shall satisfy two separate but related procedural requirements for activities to be undertaken by Orange County.

### **REQUEST FOR RELEASE OF FUNDS**

On or about May 6, 2025 the Orange County Housing and Community Development Division will submit a request to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for the release of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and Community Development Block Grant-Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR) funds under Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended, to undertake a project known as the Orange County Homeowner Housing Rehabilitation and Reconstruction Program for the purpose of rehabilitation, reconstruction, replacement, relocation, elevation, and demolition of single-family homes (1-4 units) and mobile home units in need of repair and/or rehabilitation, and to support long-term recovery efforts following Hurricanes Ian and Milton. Orange County has utilized a tiered approach for the environmental review, and a site-specific (Tier II) review will be completed for each subject property, prior to committing HUD funds to the project. All site-specific project locations will be within Orange County, Florida. Project funding is estimated at \$29,560,397 in CDBG funding over fiscal years 2021-2024 and estimated CDBG-DR funding of \$253,069,000.

### **FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT**

The Orange County Housing and Community Development Division has determined that the project will have no significant impact on the human environment. Therefore, an Environmental Impact Statement under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA) is not required. Additional project information is contained in the Environmental Review Record (ERR) on file at the Orange County Housing and Community Development Division at 525 East South Street, Orlando, FL 32801 from 8:00AM to 5:00P.M. or it may be examined electronically upon email request to the Housing and Community Development office (please email [Inalbert.Ramos@ocfl.net](mailto:Inalbert.Ramos@ocfl.net) to request an electronic copy of the file).

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Any individual, group, or agency may submit written comments on the ERR to the Manager of Orange County Housing and Community Development Division at 525 East South Street, Orlando, FL 32801. All comments received by May 5, 2025, will be considered by the Orange County Housing and Community Development Division prior to authorizing submission of a request for release of funds. Comments should specify which Notice they are addressing.

## **ENVIRONMENTAL CERTIFICATION**

The Orange County Housing and Community Development Division certifies to HUD that Byron Brooks in his capacity as County Administrator consents to accept the jurisdiction of the Federal Courts if an action is brought to enforce responsibilities in relation to the environmental review process and that these responsibilities have been satisfied. HUD's approval of the certification satisfies its responsibilities under NEPA and related laws and authorities and allows the Orange County Housing and Community Development Division to use Program funds.

## **OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS**

HUD will accept objections to its release of funds and the Orange County Housing and Community Development Division certification for a period of fifteen days following the anticipated submission date or its actual receipt of the request (whichever is later) only if they are on one of the following bases: (a) the certification was not executed by the Certifying Officer of the Orange County Housing and Community Development Division; (b) the Orange County Housing and Community Development Division has omitted a step or failed to make a decision or finding required by HUD regulations at 24 CFR part 58; (c) the grant recipient or other participants in the development process have committed funds, incurred costs or undertaken activities not authorized by 24 CFR Part 58 before approval of a release of funds by HUD; or (d) another Federal agency acting pursuant to 40 CFR Part 1504 has submitted a written finding that the project is unsatisfactory from the standpoint of environmental quality. Objections must be prepared and submitted in accordance with the required procedures (24 CFR Part 58, Sec. 58.76) and shall be addressed by email to the *HUD*, Jacksonville Field Office, CPD Representative, *Tonya R. Madison, Program Environmental Specialist*, at [tonya.r.madison@hud.gov](mailto:tonya.r.madison@hud.gov). Potential objectors should contact *HUD*, Jacksonville Field Office via email to [tonya.r.madison@hud.gov](mailto:tonya.r.madison@hud.gov) to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

Byron Brooks, County Administrator