PUBLIC NOTICE
SUBSTANTIAL AMENDMENT TO 2022-2026 ORANGE COUNTY CONSOLIDATED PLAN

Notice is hereby given that, in accordance with 24 CFR 91.105(c)(2) of the federal regulations related to citizen participation in Community Planning and Development Programs, Orange County is making a substantial amendment to its 2022-2026 Consolidated Plan available to the public through this notice. This amendment is available for a 30-day public review and comment period from November 16, 2026, to December 17, 2026.

Orange County, FL receives federal funds from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) through the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME) Program, and Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG). As a recipient of federal funds, the County is required to develop a five-year strategic plan for housing and community development activities, as well as annual action plans. The last five-year plan, known as a Consolidated Plan, was adopted by the Board of County Commissioners on August 9, 2022, and it covered 2022-2026 fiscal years.

On April 1, 2026, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) issued Notice CPD-26-05, which provided additional guidance on submitting consolidated plans and annual action plans for HUD formula grant programs. As part of this HUD guidance, the CDBG entitlement grantees that are awarded CDBG-Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR) grants are required to incorporate these grants into their consolidated plans within a specified timeframe by submitting a substantial amendment to their existing annual action plan within 24 months of the applicable Allocation Announcement Notice (AAN). Orange County received two allocations of CDBG-DR funds – for Hurricane Ian ($219,712,000 – AAN issued on March 15, 2023) and Hurricane Milton ($33,357,000 – AAN issued on January 16, 2025).

In accordance with requirements of the Citizen Participation Plan and 24 CFR Part 91.505, the County is submitting a substantial amendment to 2022-2026 Orange County Consolidated Plan to incorporate CDBG-DR funds from both disaster events, as required by HUD. The CDBG-DR Action Plan is a comprehensive assessment of unmet needs resulting from the applicable disaster events, and it outlines proposed recovery programs and projects to support long-term recovery efforts throughout Orange County. The County completed CDBG-DR Action Plans for both, Hurricane Ian and Hurricane Milton, and the plans are available on the County's website at: https://www.ocfl.net/NeighborsHousing/OCDisasterRecovery.aspx.

As part of this proposed amendment, the following sections of the 2022-2026 Consolidated Plan have been updated to reflect the identified disaster recovery needs and the anticipated CDBG-DR initiatives: NA-10 – Housing needs; NA-40 – Homeless needs; NA-50 – Infrastructure and economic development needs; MA-10 – Number of Housing units; MA-15 – Cost of Housing; MA-20 – Condition of Housing; MA-50 – Needs and Market Analysis Discussion; SP-35/SP-36 – Anticipated Resources; and SP-45 – Goals.

The public will have the opportunity to review and comment on the proposed amendment to 2022-2026 Orange County Consolidated Plan beginning Monday, November 16, 2026, through Thursday, December 17, 2026. The draft amendment document will be available for review on Orange County's website at the following link: http://www.ocfl.net/NeighborsHousing/CommunityDevelopment.aspx.

All comments regarding these documents should be submitted during the public comment period identified above to:

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