



## June 2, 2026 - Regular Meeting

### **Subject**

Approval of Proposed Projects and Activities for FY 2026/27 Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Annual Action Plan - Julia Vieira, Community Development Program Manager - Countywide

### **Category**

REGULAR

### **Briefings**

All

### **Contact and/or Presenter Information**

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Julia Vieira, Community Development Project Manager, ext. 1266

### **Action Requested**

Approval of proposed projects and activities for inclusion in the Draft FY 2026/27 Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Annual Action Plan.

### **Enabling/Regulating Authority**

24 CFR Part 91 (Consolidated Plan and Citizen Participation Plan regulation)

2023-2028 Consolidated Plan (Resolution R-23-114)

### **Applicable Advisory Board**

N/A

### **Background Discussion**

Manatee County is an entitlement community through the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), HOME Investment Partnership (HOME), and Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) programs.

HUD approved Manatee County's 2023-2028 Consolidated Plan in October 2023. The programming goals identified by Manatee County for the five-year entitlement funding cycle include: Goal 1 - Increase access to affordable housing; Goal 2 - Reduce homelessness in Manatee County; Goal 3 - Support health care and wellbeing activities for special needs populations; Goal 4 - Provide access to community supportive services and economic development opportunities; and Goal 5 - Expand Community Development Strategies.

In preparation for the FY 2026/27 HUD funding cycle, a grant application workshop was held on March 2nd, 2026, and a Q&A Session on March 19, 2026, with interested organizations in attendance. Applications for funding were due on March 31st, 2026.

In April 2026, staff conducted a review of the completeness of all grant applications received by the deadline to ensure they met the threshold requirements outlined in the application. An Application Review Committee of nine county staff, as well as one member of the Suncoast Partnership to End Homelessness, Inc (Continuum of Care Lead Agency), and one member of the Manatee County Housing Authority, was convened to review each application. Applications were scored by each reviewer based on the priority needs, goals, and strategies identified in the five-year Consolidated Plan, and the needs and gaps. Application scoring criteria also included collaboration/partnerships, leveraging of other funds, performance measures, and outcomes, among other criteria.

Manatee County anticipates that its funding allocation from HUD for FY 2026/27 will be as follows: CDBG \$1,981,290.00; HOME \$623,460.88; and ESG \$161,149.00. County staff has also identified an additional \$357,227.00 in Prior Year CDBG funds available for reallocation.

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|--------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------|
| 2024/25 Community Development Block Grant Entitlement (CDBG) | \$ 207,227.00          |
| 2025/26 Community Development Block Grant Entitlement (CDBG) | \$ 150,000.00          |
| 2026/27 Community Development Block Grant Entitlement (CDBG) | \$ 1,981,290.00        |
| 2026/27 Home Investment Partnership (HOME)                   | \$ 623,460.88          |
| 2026/27 Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG)                      | \$ 161,149.00          |
| <b>TOTAL</b>                                                 | <b>\$ 3,123,126.88</b> |

Based upon priority needs and available funding, the Review Committee recommends funding to eleven CDBG-eligible activities, three HOME-eligible activities, and one ESG-eligible activity.

The 2026/27 Application Recommendation Summary of proposed projects and activities is presented for the Board's consideration and approval on June 2nd, 2026, for inclusion into the FY 2026/27 Annual Action Plan. Following approval of the proposed projects and activities, the draft 2026/27 HUD Annual Action Plan will be finalized, and the 30-day public comment period, commencing on June 29th, 2026, will be advertised.

The FY 2026/27 Annual Action Plan will be scheduled for a public hearing and approval at the BCC on July 28th, 2026. We will submit the FY 2026/27 Annual Action Plan to HUD no later than August 16, 2026, as required by HUD.

#### **Attorney Review**

Not Reviewed (No apparent legal issues)

#### **Instructions to Board Records**

Forward a copy of the approved agenda to Julia Vieira, [julia.vieira@mymanatee.org](mailto:julia.vieira@mymanatee.org) ext. 1266, Sharon McClellan, [Sharon.McClellan@mymanatee.org](mailto:Sharon.McClellan@mymanatee.org) ext. 3719, and [susan.bigham@mymanatee.org](mailto:susan.bigham@mymanatee.org)

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**Cost and Funds Source Account Number and Name**

N/A

**Amount and Frequency of Recurring Costs**

N/A



## Community and Veterans Services Department

Community Development Division

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# MEMORANDUM

To: Board of County Commissioners; Charlie Bishop, County Administrator

From: Julia Vieira, Community Development Program Manager

Date: May 11<sup>th</sup>, 2026

### **Subject: FY 2026/27 CDBG/HOME/ESG Recommendation for Funding – Review Committee**

The Review Committee for the FY 2026/27 CDBG / HOME / ESG Funding Applications convened on April 28<sup>th</sup>, 2026, to define the final funding recommendations to the Board of County Commissioners.

The Review Committee was formed by the following individuals:

- Debbie Ash – Housing & Community Development Coordinator
- Helena Yeatman – Affordable Housing Coordinator
- Johanna Beville – Program Analyst
- Julia Vieira – Community Development Program Manager
- Laura Ruiz – Sr Neighborhood Services Specialist
- Leah Hudson – Homeless Project Manager
- Renese Remy – Criminal Justice Policy Coordinator
- Ronda Watts – Grant Administrator (CDBG-DR)
- Sharon McClellan – Compliance Services Program Manager
- Taylor Neighbors – CEO, Suncoast Partnership to End Homelessness CoC
- Lesa Livingston – Director, Housing Choice Voucher, Manatee County Housing Authority

Each reviewer scored the individual applications using the Neighborly application system. Determinants of funding recommendations included the following: alignment with grant rules and objectives, available funding, Consolidated Plan Priority Needs, average scores for project objectives and narrative descriptions, project readiness and feasibility, supporting documentation, past performance, and current open contracts/funding.

Based on these components, the Review Committee recommends funding eleven CDBG-eligible activities, three HOME-eligible activities, and one ESG-eligible activity.

A total of 10 applications are not being recommended for funding due to factors such as incompatibility with grant rules, insufficient funding, or the need for further/revised information for future application cycles.

In addition to the recommended projects, staff followed the set-asides allowed by HUD for Administration and Planning for the regular CDBG, HOME, and ESG entitlements allocations.

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Funding for each Entitlement Grant and required caps and set asides are described as follows:

| <b>Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)</b>                   | <b>FY 2026/27</b>      |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------|
| <b>Total Estimated Funding from Annual Entitlement</b>            | <b>\$ 1,981,290.00</b> |
| Administration & Planning Set Aside (20% of annual allocation)    | \$ 396,200.00          |
| Public Service Cap (cannot exceed 15% of annual allocation)       | \$ 297,150.00          |
| Funding available for Public Facilities, Infrastructure & Housing | \$ 1,287,940.00        |
| <b>Prior Years Reallocations Total</b>                            | <b>\$ 357,227.00</b>   |

| <b>HOME Investment Partnership Program (HOME)</b>                                              | <b>FY 2026/27</b>    |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------|
| <b>Total Funding</b>                                                                           | <b>\$ 623,460.88</b> |
| Adm & Planning Set Aside (10% of annual allocation)                                            | \$ 62,340.00         |
| Community Housing Development Organization (CHDO) Set-Aside (minimum 15% of annual allocation) | \$ 93,525.22         |
| Funding available for Housing Development and Tenant-Based Rental Assistance                   | \$ 467,595.66        |

| <b>Emergency Solutions Grant Program (ESG)</b>                  | <b>FY 2026/27</b>    |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------|
| <b>Total Funding Estimated Entitlement Funding</b>              | <b>\$ 161,149.00</b> |
| Administration & Planning Set Aside (7.5% of annual allocation) | \$ 12,080.00         |
| Funding available for Programming after Admin Set-Aside         | \$ 149,069.00        |

Lastly, the Review Committee respectfully recommends the following activities as alternate project options in the event additional funding becomes available during the program year.

#### **Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)**

- 1) Non-Congregate Shelter Initiatives – Acquisition, conversion, rehabilitation, and/or construction of a non-congregate shelter facility, as defined by HUD.
- 2) Public Facility – Pre-Development components, Common Areas / Facilities Infrastructure, Exterior upgrades as needed, and other appurtenances for functioning public facilities.

#### **HOME Investment Partnership Program (HOME)**

- 1) HOME-Tenant-Based Rental Assistance – Provision of Rental Assistance, rental and utility deposits as needed to low- and moderate-income Manatee County residents.
- 2) CHDO Housing Construction – Construction of single-family or multi-family homeownership or rental developments

#### **Next Steps:**

Resolutions with the final decisions made by the Board of County Commissioners will be presented at the upcoming Board meeting on July 28<sup>th</sup>, 2026, for the anticipated FY 2026/27 regular entitlement grants under CDBG / HOME / ESG, after the required public consultation periods are concluded.

The Review Committee is recommending approval of the following Activities:

### Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)

| Project # | Agency Name                                    | Project                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | Eligible Funding Type                                                       | Goal                                                         | Average Application Score (Max 100) | Current Level of Funding (FY25/26) | Application Funding Requested | Recommended Funding Award |
|-----------|------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|------------------------------------|-------------------------------|---------------------------|
| 23654     | Easter Seals Southwest Florida                 | Easterseals Southwest Florida Campus Kitchen Rehabilitation Project to serve children at the preschool and K-12 Autism Center (under construction).<br>Address: 350 Braden Ave, Sarasota, FL 34243                                                                             | CDBG - Public Facilities<br>24 CFR 570.201(c)<br>03M - Child Care Centers   | Rehabilitate 1 facility to serve 220 children annually       | 76.7                                |                                    | \$ 238,389.00                 | \$ 240,000.00             |
| 23655     | Food Bank of Manatee                           | Mobile Produce 2026-27 - free fresh produce distribution at Pride Park and Samoset target areas.                                                                                                                                                                               | CDBG - Public Services<br>24 CFR 570.201 (e)                                | Serve 120 unduplicated households                            | 79.1                                | \$ 20,000.00                       | \$ 30,000.00                  | \$ 25,000.00              |
| 23689     | Genesis Health Services                        | Facility Expansion to include increase in 836 sq ft dental facility (adding 3 clinic suites and imaging/exam room) offering free and reduced rate comprehensive oral care to low- and moderate-income Manatee County residents. Address: 707 7th Street W., Palmetto, FL 34221 | CDBG Public Facilities<br>24 CFR 570.201 (c)<br>03P-Health Facilities       | Expand 1 facility that serves 440 individuals annually       | 80.3                                |                                    | \$ 308,931.64                 | \$ 310,000.00             |
| 23675     | Gulfcoast Legal Services, Inc.                 | Housing Legal Services 2026-27 to provide Manatee County residents with free access to representation to cases addressing housing issues such as discrimination, predatory lending, foreclosure, substandard housing conditions, and unlawful eviction practices.              | CDBG - Public Services<br>24 CFR 570.201 (e)                                | Serve 94 unduplicated individuals                            | 83.6                                | \$ 60,000.00                       | \$ 112,997.00                 | \$ 40,000.00              |
| 23677     | Helping Up Mission, Inc                        | Under One Roof Gateway Shelter - General shelter operations                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | CDBG - Public Services<br>24 CFR 570.201 (e)                                | Serve 250 unduplicated individuals                           | 70.7                                | \$536,260.00 (HOME-ARP)            | \$ 327,250.00                 | \$ 132,150.00             |
| 23672     | Manatee Education Foundation, Inc. / Soar in 4 | Soar Lab Backyard Expansion to include the installation of Kompan play structures, turf, and sunshades.<br>Address: 6413 9th St E, Bradenton, FL 34203                                                                                                                         | CDBG Public Facilities<br>24 CFR 570.201 (c)<br>03E-Neighborhood Facilities | Build 1 playground facility to serve 5,500 children annually | 77.3                                |                                    | \$ 173,897.48                 | \$ 180,000.00             |
| 23646     | Meals On Wheels PLUS of Manatee, Inc.          | Unfunded Senior Meals 2026-27 to prevent hunger for home-bound Manatee County seniors and allow them to age in place without institutionalization.                                                                                                                             | CDBG - Public Services<br>24 CFR 570.201 (e)                                | Serve 35 unduplicated individuals                            | 89.9                                | \$ 55,000.00                       | \$ 58,400.00                  | \$ 25,000.00              |
| 23371     | The Salvation Army                             | Shelter Conversion Project (FY 2025/26 Continuation) - Conversion of homeless ongregate shelter for male adults into non-congregate shelter units for families with children. Funding to complete Phases I and II.                                                             | CDBG Public Facilities<br>24 CFR 570.201 (c)<br>03C-Homeless Facilities     | 1 facility conversion                                        | Cont..                              | \$ 254,506.00                      | \$ 500,000.00                 | \$ 157,940.00             |

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| 23650                                             | Turning Points                       | Project Smile 2026-27 community-based dental clinic, which provides free, high-quality oral care, dentures and other oral prosthetics to uninsured, income-eligible Manatee County residents. | CDBG - Public Services<br>24 CFR 570.201 (e)                            | Serve 150 unduplicated individuals                                         | 87.7   | \$ 75,000.00  | \$ 75,000.00  | \$ 75,000.00  |
|                                                   | Manatee County - Property Management | Under One Roof - Kitchen Renovations                                                                                                                                                          | CDBG Public Facilities<br>24 CFR 570.201 (c)<br>03C-Homeless Facilities | Rehabilitate 1 facility that serves 250 individuals                        | Cont.. | \$ 577,497.00 | \$ 300,000.00 | \$ 200,000.00 |
| 23101                                             | Manatee County - Public Works        | Sidewalk Expansion - CDBG Target Areas. Design, permit and construct approximately 6,900 linear feet (≈1.3 miles) of 5-foot sidewalk along 301 Blvd E from 51st Ave E to US 41.               | CDBG Public Facilities<br>24 CFR 570.201 (c)<br>03L-Sidewalks           | 1 sidewalk project (1.3 miles)                                             | Cont.. | \$ 250,000.00 | \$ 829,332.00 | \$ 200,000.00 |
| Manatee County CVS/Community Development Division |                                      | 2026/27 CDBG Administration and Planning                                                                                                                                                      | CDBG - Program Administration<br>24 CFR 570.206                         | Support to 2 fully dedicated staff, 6 partially dedicated staff (2 Fiscal) |        | \$ 366,700.00 | \$ 396,200.00 | \$ 396,200.00 |

The Review Committee is recommending approval of the following Activities:

### HOME Investment Partnership Program

| Project #                                         | Agency Name                         | Project                                                                                                                                                                                                              | Eligible Funding Type                                       | Goal                                                                       | Average Application Score (Max 100) | Current Level of Funding (FY25/26) | Application Funding Requested | Recommended Funding Award |
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| 23658                                             | Manatee County Habitat for Humanity | Palmetto Townhomes - Construction of twenty (20) homeownership units (3BR/2BA) for income-eligible Manatee County residents.<br>Address: 903 11th St W, Palmetto, FL 34221<br>(Expected Mortgage: \$1,000 - \$1,200) | HOME - CHDO Homeownership Development<br>24 CFR 92.300      | Build 1 HOME-Assisted Unit                                                 | 83.7                                | \$ 776,652.00                      | \$ 1,000,000.00               | \$ 111,000.00             |
| 23638                                             | The Salvation Army                  | HOME Tenant-Based Rental Assistance Program to provide time-limited rental assistance, rental and utility deposits to Manatee County households at imminent risk of homelessness with incomes at or below 80% AMI.   | HOME Tenant-Based Rental Assistance (TBRA)<br>24 CFR 92.209 | Serve 50 unduplicated households                                           | 85.2                                | \$ 308,900.00                      | \$ 200,000.00                 | \$ 200,000.00             |
| 23656                                             | Turning Points                      | HOME Tenant-Based Rental Assistance Program to provide short & medium-term rental assistance, rental and utility deposits to Manatee County families with children with incomes at or below 80% AMI.                 | HOME Tenant-Based Rental Assistance (TBRA)<br>24 CFR 92.209 | Serve 25 unduplicated households                                           | 87.9                                | \$ 188,000.00                      | \$ 400,000.00                 | \$ 250,120.00             |
| Manatee County CVS/Community Development Division |                                     | 2026/27 HOME Administration and Planning                                                                                                                                                                             | HOME - Program Administration<br>24 CFR 92.207              | Support to 2 fully dedicated staff, 6 partially dedicated staff (2 Fiscal) |                                     | \$ 58,805.00                       | \$ 62,340.00                  | \$ 62,340.00              |

The Review Committee is recommending **approval** of the following Activities:

### Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG)

| Project #                                         | Agency Name                                | Project                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | Eligible Funding Type                                                  | Goal                                   | Average Application Score (Max 100) | Current Level of Funding (FY25/26) | Application Funding Requested | Recommended Funding Award |
|---------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|------------------------------------|-------------------------------|---------------------------|
| 23668                                             | Catholic Charities Diocese of Venice, Inc. | ESG Rapid Rehousing and Homelessness Prevention Program will provide housing relocation, stabilization services, and rental assistance to Manatee County residents who are literally homeless or at imminent risk of homelessness | ESG - Rapid Rehousing/Homeless Prevention<br>24 CFR 576.104 or 576.105 | Serve 8 unduplicated households        | 90.1                                | \$ 150,180.00                      | \$ 145,973.00                 | \$ 149,069.00             |
| Manatee County CVS/Community Development Division |                                            | 2026/27 ESG Administration and Planning                                                                                                                                                                                           | ESG - Program Administration<br>24 CFR 576.108                         | Support to 2 partially dedicated staff |                                     | \$ 12,170.00                       | \$ 12,080.00                  | \$ 12,080.00              |

The Review Committee **is not** recommending funding for the following applications:

**Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)**

| Project # | Agency Name                             | Project                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | Eligible Funding Type                        | Average Application Score (Max 100) | Application Funding Requested | Reason for Denial                                                      |
|-----------|-----------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 23653     | AM&FM Allean's Loving Care              | Allean's Loving Care 2026/27 to provide free in-home care to Manatee County elderly and special needs individuals between hospital stays, nursing home care, and the care provided by their family.                                                          | CDBG - Public Services<br>24 CFR 570.201 (e) | 59.9                                | \$ 90,000.00                  | Insufficient points for an award recommendation                        |
| 23680     | Making An Impact                        | Community Resource Navigation Infrastructure for Disaster Resiliency – Manatee County                                                                                                                                                                        | CDBG - Public Services<br>24 CFR 570.201 (e) | 46.2                                | \$ 42,000.00                  | Insufficient points for an award recommendation                        |
| 23669     | Manatee Children's Services             | Foster Children Shelter and Our Place Group Home Rehabilitation (Phase III) - Rehabilitation to include exterior painting & lighting, roof replacement, flood prevention drainage, bathroom upgrades, and security system upgrades.<br>Address: Confidential | CDBG Public Facilities<br>24 CFR 570.201 (c) | 68.2                                | \$ 177,430.00                 | Project Site under 5 Year Compliance period from prior CDBG assistance |
| 23687     | New Life Change Ministry World Wide Inc | New Life Change Ministry Mobile Outreach & Homeless Support Expansion<br>Project Address: 803 50th Ave Plz W, Bradenton, FL 34207                                                                                                                            | CDBG Public Facilities<br>24 CFR 570.201 (c) | 46.3                                | \$ 100,000.00                 | Insufficient points for an award recommendation                        |
| 23688     | NonProfit Events                        | Bridge to Wellness & Opportunity program, providing free life skills training, and fitness-based programming for low-to moderate-income individuals in Manatee County (youth ages 16 and up, adults and seniors).                                            | CDBG - Public Services<br>24 CFR 570.201 (e) | 62.3                                | \$ 50,000.00                  | Insufficient funds for an award.                                       |

The Review Committee **is not** recommending funding for the following applications:

### HOME Investment Partnership Program

| Project # | Agency Name                          | Project                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | Eligible Funding Type                                      | Average Application Score (Max 100) | Application Funding Requested | Reason for Denial                |
|-----------|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| 23678     | Catholic Charities Diocese of Venice | HOME Tenant-Based Rental Assistance Program to provide time-limited rental assistance to Manatee County households at imminent risk of homelessness with incomes at or below 80% AMI.                                                                                                                                                                             | HOME Tenant-Based Rental Assistance (TBRA) 24 CFR 92.209   | 88.8                                | \$ 150,000.00                 | Award Recommendation under ESG   |
| 23643     | Renaissance Pointe LLC               | Renaissance Pointe Rental Development - Construction of a total of 32 multi-family affordable housing units (3BR/2BA). Address: 1912 13th Ave. E., Bradenton, FL 34208 (Expected Rent: \$2,200)                                                                                                                                                                   | HOME - Rental Housing Development 24 CFR 92.205(a)(1)      | 76.6                                | \$ 250,000.00                 | Insufficient funds for an award. |
| 23679     | TRINITY WITHOUT BORDERS, INC         | LIVE EARN EARN MANATEE (Transitional Group Home Development) - Acquisition of two adjacent parcels, rehabilitation of a 2BR/1BATH unit, and construction of two units (3BR/2BATH) to be operated as transitional housing for seniors and youth aging out of the foster system. Address: 5334 & 5338 22ND AVE E, BRADENTON, FL 34203 (Expected Rent: Pending Info) | HOME - CHDO Rental Housing Development 24 CFR 92.205(a)(1) | 51.2                                | \$ 575,000.00                 | Insufficient funds for an award. |

### Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG)

| Project # | Agency Name                                          | Project                                                                                                                                                                               | Eligible Funding Type                                     | Average Application Score (Max 100) | Application Funding Requested | Reason for Denial                |
|-----------|------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| 23637     | Community Assisted and Supported Living, Inc. (CASL) | Project-Based Rental Assistance to homeless and at-risk residents of Cedar Cove.                                                                                                      | Short-Term & Medium-Term Rental Assistance 24 CFR 576.106 | 80.4                                | \$ 453,856.00                 | Insufficient funds for an award. |
| 23670     | Turning Points                                       | ESG Housing Stabilization Program to assist very low- to low-income Manatee County residents who are either experiencing homelessness or are at imminent risk of losing their housing | Homeless Prevention 24 CFR 576.103                        | 87.0                                | \$ 160,000.00                 | Insufficient funds for an award. |

# FY 2026/27 Community Development Funding Recommendations



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# 2026 Annual Action Plan

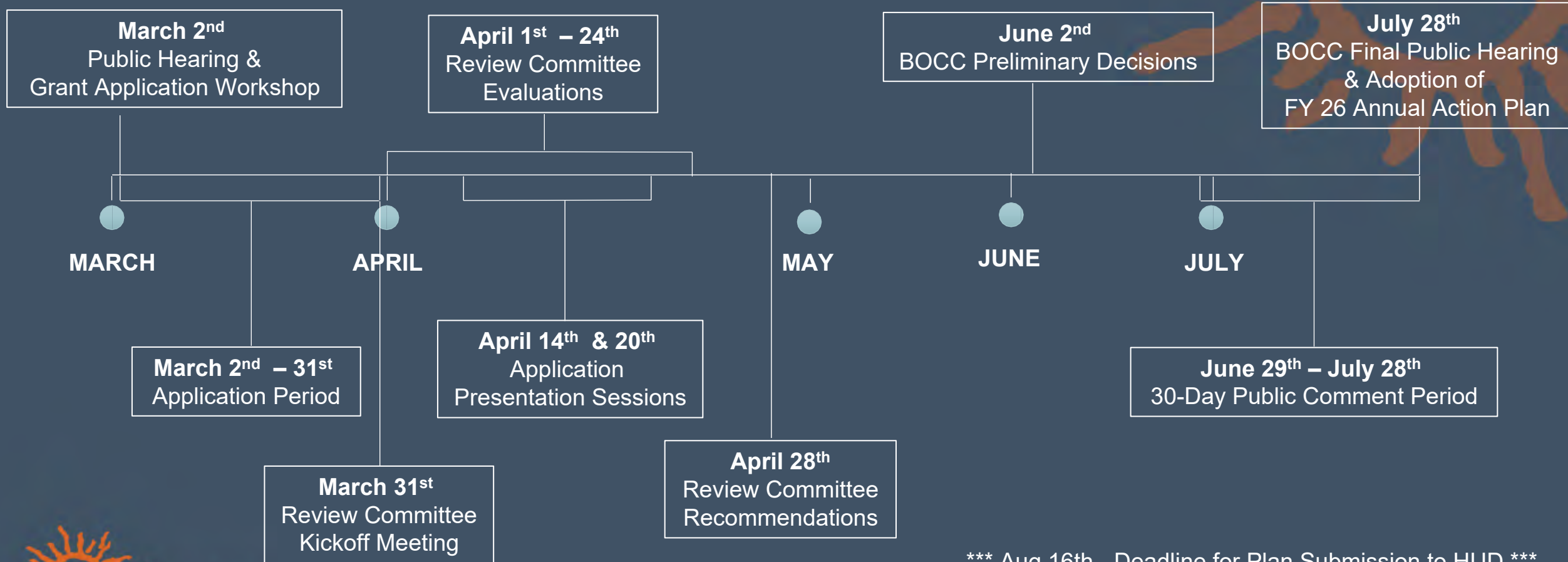
Manatee County's one-year plan to allocate funding from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD)

- **Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) - \$1,981,290.00**
- **HOME Investment Partnership Program (HOME) - \$623,460.88**
- **Emergency Solutions Grant Program (ESG) - \$161,149.00**

Identifies projects to be funded during the Program Year 2026  
(Oct. 1, 2026 – Sept. 30, 2027)



# Project Funding Timeline



**FY 2026/27 Community Development Funding Recommendations | June 2, 2026**

# Review Committee

1. Debbie Ash – Housing & Community Development Coordinator
2. Helena Yeatman – Affordable Housing Coordinator
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# 2026 Applications and Scoring

- 25 Projects evaluated, totaling \$6.14M in grant requests
- Minimum Average Score for Award Recommendation = 60 points
- Scoring Criteria (Max Points = 100)
  - FUNDING REQUEST, BUDGET & LEVERAGING - 25 Points
  - RATING OF AGENCY CAPACITY - 22 Points
  - RATING OF PERFORMANCE MEASURES - 17 Points
  - RATING OF PROPOSED PROJECT - 12 Points
  - OVERALL APPLICATION (QUALITY) – 7 Points
  - PERCENTAGE OF LOW-INCOME PERSONS SERVED - 5 Points
  - FIVE-YEAR CONSOLIDATED PLAN STRATEGIES/PRIORITIES - 4 Points
  - COLLABORATIONS/PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENTS - 4 Points
  - SCHEDULE – 4 Points



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# Community Development Block Grant

## Anticipated Funding

| CDBG FY 2025/26    | Amount                | Expenditure Cap/Set Aside |
|--------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------|
| <b>TOTAL GRANT</b> | <b>\$1,981,290.00</b> | <b>-</b>                  |
| Admin and Planning | \$396,200.00          | 20% of Grant              |
| Public Service     | \$297,150.00          | 15% of Grant              |

## Project Recommendations

| Agency                   | Project                                  | Recommended Funding Award | Average Score | District   |
|--------------------------|------------------------------------------|---------------------------|---------------|------------|
| Meals on Wheels          | Senior Meals                             | \$ 25,000.00              | 89.9          | Countywide |
| Turning Points           | Project Smile                            | \$ 75,000.00              | 87.7          | Countywide |
| Gulfcoast Legal Services | Housing Legal Assistance                 | \$ 40,000.00              | 83.6          | Countywide |
| The Food Bank of Manatee | Mobile Produce at Pride Park and Samoset | \$ 25,000.00              | 79.1          | 2          |
| Helping Up Mission       | Under One Roof Shelter Operations        | \$ 132,150.00             | 70.1          | 4          |



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# Community Development Block Grant - Cont..

## Anticipated Funding

| CDBG FY 2025/26                             | Amount                | Expenditure Cap/Set Aside |
|---------------------------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------|
| <b>TOTAL GRANT</b>                          | <b>\$1,981,290.00</b> | <b>-</b>                  |
| Pub Facilities, Infrastructure, Housing ... | \$1,287,940.00        | 65% Minimum               |

## Project Recommendations

| Agency                         | Project                                | Recommended Funding Award | Average Score | District |
|--------------------------------|----------------------------------------|---------------------------|---------------|----------|
| MCG – Property Management      | Under One Roof Kitchen Rehabilitation  | \$200,000.00              | Cont.         | 4        |
| MCG – Public Works             | Sidewalk Expansion - CDBG Target Areas | \$200,000.00              | Cont.         | 2 & 4    |
| The Salvation Army             | Shelter Rehabilitation                 | \$157,940.00              | Cont.         | 3        |
| Genesis Health Services        | Dental Facility Expansion              | \$310,000.00              | 80.3          | 2        |
| MEF - Soar in 4                | Soar Lab Backyard Expansion            | \$180,000.00              | 77.3          | 4        |
| Easter Seals Southwest Florida | Preschool Kitchen Rehabilitation       | \$240,000.00              | 76.7          | 4        |



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# Community Development Block Grant Reprogramming

## Prior Year Funding

| Program Year | Amount       | Original Project                                                             |
|--------------|--------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| CDBG 2024/25 | \$207,227.00 | CDBG Code Enforcement (Cancel)                                               |
| CDBG 2025/26 | \$150,000.00 | Power of Love Facility Expansion for Adults w/ Disabilities (Reduce Funding) |

## Project Recommendations

| Agency                    | Project                                | Recommended Funding Award | CDBG    | District |
|---------------------------|----------------------------------------|---------------------------|---------|----------|
| MCG – Public Works        | Sidewalk Expansion - CDBG Target Areas | \$207,227.00              | 2024/25 | 2 & 4    |
| MCG – Property Management | Under One Roof Kitchen Rehabilitation  | \$100,000.00              | 2025/26 | 4        |
| The Salvation Army        | Shelter Rehabilitation                 | \$50,000.00               | 2025/26 | 3        |



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# HOME Investment Partnerships Program

## Anticipated Funding

| HOME FY 2025/26                          | Amount              | Expenditure Cap/Set Aside |
|------------------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------------|
| <b>TOTAL GRANT</b>                       | <b>\$623,460.88</b> | <b>-</b>                  |
| Admin and Planning                       | \$62,340.00         | 10% of Grant              |
| CHDO Set Aside                           | \$93,525.22         | 15% Minimum               |
| Housing & Tenant-Based Rental Assistance | \$467,595.66        | 75% of Grant              |

## Project Recommendations

| Agency                              | Project                               | Recommended Funding Award | Average Score | District   |
|-------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|---------------------------|---------------|------------|
| Turning Points                      | Tenant-Based Rental Assistance        | \$250,120.00              | 87.9          | Countywide |
| The Salvation Army                  | Tenant-Based Rental Assistance        | \$200,000.00              | 85.2          | Countywide |
| Manatee County Habitat for Humanity | CHDO Development – Palmetto Townhomes | \$111,000.00              | 83.7          | 2          |



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# Emergency Solutions Grant

## Anticipated Funding

| ESG FY 2025/26     | Amount              | Expenditure Caps |
|--------------------|---------------------|------------------|
| <b>TOTAL GRANT</b> | <b>\$161,149.00</b> | <b>-</b>         |
| Admin and Planning | \$12,080.00         | 7.5% of Grant    |
| Programming        | \$149,069.00        | -                |

## Project Recommendations

| Agency                               | Project                                   | Recommended Funding Award | Average Score | District   |
|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|---------------------------|---------------|------------|
| Catholic Charities Diocese of Venice | ESG - Rapid Rehousing/Homeless Prevention | \$149,069.00              | 90.1          | Countywide |



# Next Steps

**Today (June 2)**

**Board of County Commissioners preliminary decisions for approved projects to be included in the draft FY 2026 Annual Action Plan**

**June 29 – July 28**

**30-day Public Comment Period for FY 2026 Annual Action Plan draft**

**July 28**

**Board of County Commissioners Final Public Hearing and Adoption of FY 2026 Annual Action Plan**

**August 16**

**Deadline for Plan Submission to HUD**

**Oct 1/2026  
Sept 30/2027**

**FY 2026 Annual Action Plan Performance Period**



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