

Polk County Board of County Commissioners
 Notification of 30-Day Public Inspection Period
 Public Meeting Notice and Request for Public Comment
 2023-2024 Action Plan

Polk County is required by the US Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) to prepare a 2023-2024 Annual Action Plan to govern the use of Federal Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) and Home Investment Partnership (HOME) funds. These funds must primarily benefit low and moderate income persons and meet the following objectives: 1) Providing Affordable Housing that is both safe and decent, through construction/rehabilitation of owner-occupied units, rental assistance, and preserving the housing stock. 2) Creating and maintaining a Suitable Living Environment, by providing needed infrastructure improvements, providing access to public facilities and public services, and reducing blighting conditions. 3) Expanding Economic Opportunities by supporting public services that help provide skills training, other tools needed to achieve self-sufficiency, and promoting employment opportunities for low-income persons affected by activities and programs outlined in the 2023-2024 Annual Action Plan.

FY 2023-2024 Proposed Programs	Grant Allocations by Funding Source				TOTAL	%
	CDBG	ESG	HOME			
Neighborhood Improvements	\$1,300,000				\$1,300,000	21%
Demolition/Clearance	\$200,000				\$200,000	3%
Municipal Partners	\$658,848				\$658,848	11%
Public/Homeless Services	\$605,000	\$320,925			\$925,925	15%
Affordable Housing						
Demolition/Reconstruction			\$725,000		\$725,000	12%
New Construction-Single Family			\$250,000		\$250,000	4%
Owner Occupied Rehab (OOR)	\$640,880				\$640,880	10%
Tenant Based Rental Assistance	\$60,000		\$475,403		\$535,403	9%
Administration	\$789,491	\$26,015	\$161,155		\$976,661	16%
Total	\$4,254,219	\$346,940	\$1,611,558		\$6,212,717	100%
	68%	6%	26%		100%	

Federal Fiscal Year	CDBG
FY 2023-2024 Grant Award	\$4,054,219
FY 2023-2024 Anticipated Program Income	\$200,000
Total	\$4,254,219

The Plan will be presented to the Polk BoCC for approval prior to submittal to HUD in August 2023. The Polk County Housing and Neighborhood Development Office will hold four forums to obtain feedback from the public with regard to the FY 2023-2024 Action Plan prior to sending it to HUD. The first meeting was held February 23, 2023; the second meeting will be Thursday, June 15, 2023, at 6:00 pm in the Boardroom of the County Administration Building, 330 W Church Street Bartow, Florida; the third forum/hearing will be held Friday, July 7, 2023, beginning at 9:00 am during the Agenda review meeting for the July 11, 2023, Commission meeting; and the fourth meeting is the July 11, 2023, Board of County Commissioners meeting held in the Boardroom of the County Administration Building, 330 W Church Street Bartow, Florida.

The public is encouraged to refer to the Polk County website www.polk-county.net June 1, 2023, for a link to review the proposed plan. The plan will also be available for review at the Polk County HND offices located at 1290 Golfview Avenue, Suite 167, Bartow, Florida from 8:00 am to 5:00 pm from June 1 to June 30, 2023. The draft FY 2023-2024 Action Plan will also be emailed to area libraries and City Halls. Please submit comments by email to NancyHurley@polk-county.net. Written comments may also be mailed to Nancy Hurley, Housing Compliance Manager, Polk County Housing and Neighborhood Development, Drawer HS04, P.O. Box 9005 Bartow, Florida 33831-9005. Please make sure comments are submitted no later than June 30, 2023. For limited English proficiency - Para información en español, puede comunicarse con Lillian Nollin al (863) 534-5240.

This information is available in the ADA accessibility format that incorporates the needs of persons with disabilities in accessing the information provided. The link to this information on the HND website is <https://www.polk-county.net/housing-and-neighborhood-development>.

In accordance with the American with Disabilities Act, persons with disabilities needing special accommodations to participate in this proceeding should contact the Communications Office not later than forty-eight hours prior to the proceeding. Their offices are located in the Polk County Administration Building, 330 West Church Street in Bartow. Telephone (863) 534-6090, TDD (863) 534-7777 or 1-800-955-8771, Voice Impaired 1-800-955-8770 via Florida Relay Service.

