

**BREVARD HOME CONSORTIUM 2022-2026 CONSOLIDATED PLAN
2022-2023 ANNUAL ACTION PLAN
PUBLIC NOTICE**

NOTICE TO CITIZENS: Brevard County is the recipient of federal grant funds through programs administered by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). These federal grants include the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program and the HOME Investments Partnership (HOME) Program. These programs are designed primarily to assist the County’s low and moderate-income residents. Brevard County receives and administers HOME funds through the Brevard HOME Consortium for the purpose of qualifying for HOME funds. The Consortium is comprised of the County, as lead agency, and the cities of Titusville, Cocoa, Melbourne and Palm Bay. In order to streamline the administration of the programs, HUD has consolidated all of the local planning and citizen participation requirements for the aforementioned grant programs into a single administrative process called “The Consolidated Plan.”

CONSOLIDATED PLAN SUMMARY: The Consolidated Plan is the result of analyzing data and input from many sources. The 2022-2026 Consolidated Plan is being developed through the collaborative efforts and input from County and City staff, local and community-based non-profits and for-profits as well as local residents. These efforts include a needs assessment survey, community and neighborhood meetings, and public hearings that were conducted throughout the County. The meetings and hearings were held to determine goals, priorities, and activities to be undertaken and identified in the Consolidated Plan and each year’s Action Plan.

ONE YEAR 2022-2023 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 2022-2023 CDBG funds and Consortium’s HOME funds for activities in the upcoming program year (October 1, 2022-September 30, 2023). 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 2022-2023; CDBG PROGRAM (Brevard County only): allocation is \$1,372,105. The allocation breakdown is proposed as follows:

<u>Public Service Projects</u>	<u>Allocation</u>
Public Service Projects	\$205,815.75
<u>Capital Improvement Projects/Demolition:</u>	
Demolition/Land Clearance	\$250,000.00
Public Infrastructure Improvements: Suitable Living Environment	\$398,707.17
Section 108 Loan Repayment	\$243,161.08
Administration	\$274,421.00

HOME INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIPS PROGRAM: The Brevard HOME Consortium's Fiscal Year 2022-2023 total allocation is \$1,300,662. The estimated allocation breakdown is as follows: Brevard County \$550,883.45; Titusville \$139,448.92; Cocoa \$82,793.23; Melbourne \$265,642.06; Palm Bay \$261,894.34. The Affordable Housing Council’s recommendations for the County are noted below. Totals for the Consortium are also noted:

STRATEGY	COUNTY	CITIES	TOTAL
Community Housing Development Organization	\$ 79,665.88	\$ 115,433.42	\$ 195,099.30
15% Set-Aside as Required by Regulation			
Homeownership Rehab/Repair/ Replacement/New Construction	\$ 0	\$ 252,681.92	\$ 252,681.92
Rental Acquisition Resale/Rehab/New Construction	\$ 398,329.39	\$ 174,486.86	\$ 572,816.25
Down Payment/Purchase Assistance	\$ 0	\$ 119,998.33	\$ 119,998.33
Fair Housing Administration	\$ 9,140	\$ 0	\$ 9,140
Tenant Based Rental Assistance	\$ 0	\$ 30,000	\$ 30,000
Administration	\$ 63,748.18	\$ 57,178.02	\$ 120,926.20
TOTAL	\$ 550,883.45	\$ 749,778.55	\$ 1,300,662

THIRTY-DAY PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD: There will be a 30-day public comment period from June 6, 2022 to July 5, 2022, until 5:00 PM for the Consolidated Plan, 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: <https://www.brevardfl.gov/HousingAndHumanServices/PlansAndReports> and at the following locations:

Brevard County Housing & Human Services 2725 Judge Fran Jamieson Way; B-106 Viera, FL 32940 (321) 633-2076	City of Palm Bay Housing & Neighborhood Development Services 120 Malabar Rd, SE Palm Bay, FL 32907 (321) 952-3429	City of Cocoa Community Development 65 Stone Street Cocoa, FL 32922 (321) 433-8511	City of Titusville Neighborhood Services Department 725 DeLeon Avenue Titusville, FL 32780 (321) 567-3783
Titusville Public Library 2121 S. Hopkins Avenue Titusville, FL 32780 (321) 264-5026	City of Melbourne Housing and Neighborhood Improvement 695 East University Blvd. Melbourne, FL 32901 (321) 674-5734	Franklin T. DeGroodt Public Library 6475 Minton Rd. S.W. Palm Bay, FL 32908 (321) 952-6317	Catherine Schweinsberg Rood Central Brevard Public Library 308 Forest Ave. Cocoa, FL 32922 (321) 633-1792

WRITTEN COMMENTS: Please address any written comments to: Brevard County Housing & Human Services Department, Attention: Natasha Jones, Special Projects Coordinator, 2725 Judge Fran Jamieson Way, Building B, Suite B-106, Viera, FL 32940.

PUBLIC HEARINGS: The final public hearing on the proposed Plan and Action Plan is scheduled to be held on August 2, 2022 at 5:00 PM for final action and adoption. The public hearing will be held during the Brevard County Board of County Commissioners meeting, 1st floor Commission Chambers, Building C, 2725 Judge Fran Jamieson Way, Viera, FL 32940. The County will respond within 15 days, in writing, to any public comments and will include them in the Plan and Action Plan.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act and Section 286.26, Florida Statutes, persons needing special accommodations or an interpreter to participate in the proceedings, please notify Brian Breslin in the Housing and Human Services Department, no later than 48 hours prior to the meeting, at (321) 637-5347. If a person desires to appeal any decision made by this Board, agency or commission (as appropriate) with respect to any matter considered at this meeting or hearing, such a person will need a record of this proceeding and that, for such purposes, such person may need to ensure that a verbatim record of this proceeding is made, at his/her own expense, which record includes testimony and evidence upon which any such appeal is to be based.