

County of Volusia, Florida

Annual Plan Amendment and Public Meeting Notice

Amendment Preface: The purpose of this notice is to provide citizens with reasonable notice and opportunity to comment on proposed changes in the use of Rapid Unsheltered Survivor Housing (RUSH) funds. The County of Volusia has reviewed the criteria for determining a substantial change in approved activities in accordance with 24CFR 91.505 and the Citizens' Participation Plan.

Volusia County has received notice from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) of an allocation of Rapid Unsheltered Survivor Housing funds. The total allocation is \$1,206,144 and Volusia County intends to utilize funds for eligible rapid re-housing programs and administration under the Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) written standards.

Rapid re-housing programs provide assistance with relocation and stabilization services to help individuals or families obtain permanent housing. Funds can also be used to provide rental assistance and case management. Under RUSH guidelines, this assistance may only be provided to individuals or families who were homeless prior to Hurricane Ian, homeless as a result of Hurricane Ian or whose needs are no longer met by the Temporary Shelter Assistance (TSA) Program. Funds allocated for administration can be used for general management, oversight, coordination, and reporting on the program.

A proposed RUSH amendment creates a new project for the FY 2023/24 Annual Action Plan, rapid re-housing, utilizing \$1,115,684 of the total allocation.

A proposed RUSH amendment creates a new project for the FY 2023/24 Annual Action Plan, administration, utilizing \$90,460 of the total allocation.

Volusia County will be hosting a public meeting on Tuesday April 23, 2024 at 5:00 p.m. in the Volusia County Council Chambers at 123 W. Indiana Ave, DeLand, FL 32720. Citizens are invited to attend to provide comments regarding the use of RUSH funds.

Questions and comments concerning these amendments, verbal or written, will be accepted at any time through April 24, 2024. Written questions and comments are preferred and should be directed to:

William Mollentze, Grants Coordinator
Community Assistance
121 West Rich Avenue
DeLand, FL 32720

To comment by telephone call William Mollentze at (386) 736-5955 ext. 12965 or e-mail at wmollentze@volusia.org.

THE AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT

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