County of Volusia

Community Assistance

Housing and Grants Administration
The Housing and Grants Administration Activity is responsible for:

- Implementing various grant funded affordable housing, community development, and public service programs in Volusia County
- Making applications for funding to implement strategies
- Monitoring established programs for regulatory compliance
Funding Sources

1. Federal Grants
   - Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)
   - Home Investment Partnerships Program (HOME)
   - Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG)

2. State Grant
   - State Housing Initiatives Partnership (SHIP)

3. Eligible Areas
   - Unincorporated and incorporated Volusia County, excludes areas that receive their own funding (i.e. Daytona Beach)
Volusia County Entitlement Community

- Volusia County cannot fund infrastructure or facility improvements in the City of Daytona Beach with federal or state grants.
- The entitlement community includes 11 cities, the included beachside cities are:
  - Ormond Beach
  - Daytona Beach Shores
- Responsibilities of included cities:
  - Cities identify and allocate funds to infrastructure and facility improvements.
  - Cities submit annual applications to Volusia County for eligibility review.
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Eligible Activities

• Property improvements
  ▫ Acquisition
  ▫ Clearance & demolition

• Public facilities
  ▫ Infrastructure
  ▫ Neighborhood facilities
  ▫ Special need facilities

• Housing
  ▫ Code enforcement in conjunction with existing housing programs
  ▫ Homeowner rehabilitation
  ▫ Homebuyer assistance
  ▫ Rental housing units

Eligible Populations

• Benefit to low & moderate-income persons (LMI)
  ▫ 80% of area median income (AMI)
  ▫ 120% of AMI

• Aid in the prevention or elimination of slums or blight
  ▫ Area blight or spot blight
Public Facility and Property Improvements

- Funding available annually to cities which participate in Volusia County’s Urban County Entitlement program
- Cities prioritize needs and activities, identified in annual action plan

Housing Rehabilitation

- Provides home repair(s) to eligible homeowners for issues that pose a health or safety hazard
- Substantial rehabilitation
  - May include demolition and reconstruction
- General rehabilitation
  - Repairs that do not require reconstruction (i.e., roof, septic, HVAC)
- Wind Hazard Mitigation
  - Assists households with mitigation features (window and door shutters, upgraded garage doors, and gable-end roof tie-downs)
- Income and location restrictions apply
Homebuyer Assistance

- Provides assistance to eligible first-time homebuyers purchasing a home
- Down payment and closing costs assistance
- Income, location, credit, and first-time homebuyer restrictions apply

Rental Housing Units

- Financial support for Low Income Housing Tax Credit projects
- Local government contributions provided as match funds to developers
- Minimum percentage of the total units for low income residents restrictions apply
Disaster Recovery - SHIP

- Reimbursement or repayment of homeowner’s insurance deductible
- Home repair for uninsured homeowners
- Homeownership, FEMA application, insurance application (if applicable), and income restrictions apply

Disaster Recovery – CDBG-DR

- Eligible uses of each award are:
  - Determined by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development and the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity
  - Based on an assessment of needs after the disaster
- Application for Hurricane Matthew funds may be released in January 2018
- Funds for Hurricane Irma not yet identified
- Restrictions apply as determined by the states action plan
Questions?