



# **PALM BEACH COUNTY ACTION PLAN**

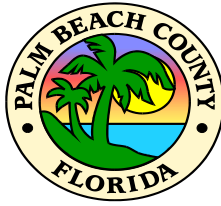
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# **Executive Summary**

## **ES-05 Executive Summary**

### **1. Introduction**

Per HUD regulations governing Consolidated Submissions for Community Planning and Development Programs (24 CFR Part 91.15 (a)(2)), entitlement jurisdictions whose fiscal year commences in October must submit an Action Plan to HUD by August 16 of each year. For FY 2013-2014, Palm Beach County reasonably expects to receive formula allocations in the following amounts from HUD: Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) - \$5,892,217; HOME Investment Partnership (HOME) - \$1,611,843; and Emergency Solutions Grant Program (ESGP) - \$393,491. The Action Plan outlines how these funds will be used to address the goals and objectives which are outlined in the County's Five Year Consolidated Plan. The Palm Beach County Urban County Program Jurisdiction comprises all areas of unincorporated Palm Beach County as well as 30 municipalities that have signed inter-local agreements with the County. The Department of Economic Sustainability (DES) is the lead agency responsible for the consolidated planning process. The development of the Action Plan involves DES collaborating with these municipalities, other county departments, non-profit agencies providing public services to low- and moderate-income persons, and with the general public and interested citizens. These collaborative efforts shaped the various housing, community development, economic development and public services projects and strategies which are outlined in the Action Plan.

### **2. Summary of the objectives and outcomes identified in the Plan Needs Assessment Overview**

The County's current Five Year Consolidated Plan, which covers the period October 2010 to September 2015, contains the priority needs and goals which the County plans to address over the five-year period. The Action Plan contains those Five Year Plan goals and objectives that will be addressed in that particular fiscal year. The following is a summary of the goals and outcomes which will be addressed in FY 2013-2014:

- Affordable Rental Housing - Rental units constructed: 21 Housing Units
- Affordable Rental Housing - Rental units rehabilitated: 140 Housing Units
- Availability of Affordable Homeowner Units -Homeowner Housing Added: 2 Housing Units
- Availability of Affordable Homeowner Units - Homeowner Housing Rehabilitated: 43 Housing Units
- Assistance to Emergency and Transitional Shelters - Homeless Person Overnight Shelter: 8,547 Persons
- Provision of Homeless Prevention services – 1,217 Persons
- Services to rapidly re-house homeless or at risk homeless individuals – 468 Persons assisted



- Demolition and Clearance - Buildings Demolished: 10 Buildings
- Code Enforcement - Other: 25,737 Persons
- Improved Parks and Recreational Facilities - Public Facility or Infrastructure Activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 4147 Persons
- Other Public Facilities - Public Facility or Infrastructure Activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 120 Persons
- Improved Water and Sewer System - Public Facility or Infrastructure Activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 19,668 Persons
- Street and Sidewalk Improvements - Public Facility or Infrastructure Activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 8415 Persons
- Flood and Drainage Improvements - Public Facility or Infrastructure Activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 29,155 Persons
- Provision of Services to Disabled Persons - Public service activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 150 Persons
- Provision of Child Care Services - Public service activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 100 Persons
- Provision of Health Services - Public service activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 646 Persons
- Provision of Fair Housing Services - Public service activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 25 Persons
- Provision of Housing Counseling Services - Public service activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 1,275 Persons
- Services for Victims of Domestic Violence - Public service activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 32 Persons
- Services for Abused and Neglected Children – Public service activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 158 Persons
- General Services for Homeless - Public service activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 130 Persons
- Provision of Economic Development Assistance - Jobs created/retained: 21 FTE Jobs
- Provision of Economic Development Services - Jobs created/retained: 12 FTE Jobs
- Operation of a Micro-Loan Program - Jobs created/retained: 6 FTE Jobs

The Action Plan envisages that in addition to funds made available under the CDBG, HOME and ESG programs, the realization of the goals shown above will be achieved through other federal and/or state funding such as: Section 108, Disaster Recovery Initiative, Neighborhood Stabilization Program, and State Housing Initiative Partnership Program, among others.

### **3. Evaluation of past performance**

The following were the major achievements reported in the latest Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report which covered the period of October 1, 2011 to September 30, 2012:

- Housing – 550 households were assisted (164 owners and 386 renters).
- Homeless - 3,527 homeless persons or persons at risk of becoming homeless received assistance.
- Non-Homeless Special Needs - 393 non-homeless persons with special needs were served.
- Public Services - 2,132 persons benefitted from public service activities.
- Public Facilities Improvements - 7 public facilities and infrastructure projects were completed.
- Economic Development - 34.5 FTE jobs were created by business incubators; 3,000 FTE jobs were created or retained as a result of economic development services provided by DES staff, and 357 FTE jobs have been created under the Section 108 Loan Program since its inception.
- Fair Housing - 30 fair housing training and education activities and 144 fair housing complaint investigations.

### **4. Summary of citizen participation process and consultation process**

Palm Beach County began its citizen participation process on March 26, 2013 with a Board of County Commissioners (BCC) public workshop. This workshop solicited public comment on the plan development process and on the proposed funding strategies for the CDBG, ESG, and HOME programs and sought BCC direction on funding strategies. Notice of this workshop was published in the Palm Beach Post on March 10, 2013 and March 17, 2013. Additionally, notice of the workshop was posted on DES's website, and partner agencies/municipalities were directly notified.

Two additional public meetings were held in eastern and western Palm Beach County to explain how the BCC directions would translate as projects and funding recommendations, and to seek public comments on the same. The Eastern County meeting was held on May 29, 2013 at 100 Australian Avenue, West Palm Beach and the Western County meeting was held on May 30, 2013 at the Workforce Alliance Career Center in Belle Glade. Notice of both meetings was published in the Palm Beach Post newspaper on May 19, 2013. The notice was also posted on DES's website and partner agencies/municipalities were directly notified.

Regarding the ESG Program, two meetings of the Housing and Homeless Alliance Grant Review Committee were held (on May 22, 2013 and on June 3, 2013) to develop strategies and funding recommendations for the program. Notice of the May 22, 2013 meeting was published in the Palm Beach Post on April 28, 2013. The notice was also posted on the Community Service's website and direct notification was made to interested agencies. Notice of the June 3, 2013 meeting was posted on the Community Services Department website and also sent directly to agencies which had submitted applications for funding.

Starting on June 15, 2013, the draft Action Plan was posted on the DES website and a hard copy of the document was made available at DES for public review. The public was notified of the availability of the draft plan through the May 29<sup>th</sup> and May 30<sup>th</sup> meetings, and direct notification of interested parties. The draft FY 2013-2014 Action Plan was presented to the public at a meeting held on June 26, 2013 at 100 Australian Avenue, West Palm Beach, FL. Notice of this meeting was posted in the Palm Beach Post on June 16, 2013 and was also posted on the DES website. Finally, the Action Plan was brought for approval by the BCC on July 16, 2013 at a public hearing. Notice of this meeting was published in the Palm Beach Post on June 16, 2013 and was also posted on the DES website.

## **5. Summary of public comments**

- Public Workshop on Action Plan – March 26, 2013
  - o Comments were received from persons representing six (6) non-profit agencies and three (3) municipalities. The non-profit comments focused on asking the Board of County Commissioners to continue funding for public service activities carried out by non-profit organizations. One municipality representative supported the proposal to allow all municipalities with CDBG Target Areas to participate in the Special Area of Hope funding strategy while another municipal representative requested that this be limited to the three Glades area municipalities as currently offered. One municipality representative requested that they be given the amount allocated in the Annual Action Plan for economic development activities.
- Homeless and Housing Alliance Grant Review Committee Meetings - May 22, 2013 and June 3, 2013
  - o At the May 22, 2013 meeting, an applicant agency representative explained their funding proposals and the need for ESG award.
  - o At the June 3, 2013 meeting, which was convened to revise the original funding recommendations due to the reduction in the ESG allocation from the original estimate (26% less), representatives from various applicant agencies addressed the committee on the effect of their reduction of the ESG award.
- Regional Meetings - May 29<sup>th</sup> and May 30<sup>th</sup>, 2013
  - o Commenters inquired about:
    - current grant amounts received from HUD were affected by the sequestration.
    - rationale for assigning the Special Area of Hope funding in alphabetical order; and
    - the interest rate charged under the HOME First Mortgage Program.
  - o A representative from the PBC Housing and Homeless Alliance (Continuum of Care) read a letter into the meeting minutes requesting that HOME Program funds be used for tenant-based rental assistance to provide rapid re-housing services Program.

- Public Meeting on Draft Action Plan – June 26, 2013
  - Commenters inquired about:
    - the amount of the Special Area of Hope Allocation and whether or not this amount is a standard sum; and
    - identification of the business incubators proposed for funding under the CDBG Economic Development Program.
  - One commenter from a business incubator thanked the County for the CDBG funding received in previous years and informed that funding was used to create over 100 jobs.
- BCC Public Hearing – July 16, 2013
  - No commenters came forward at the public hearing.

## **6. Summary of comments or views not accepted and the reasons for not accepting them**

- Public Workshop – March 26, 2013
  - The BCC did not accept the request that the Special Area of Hope funding remain available only to the three Glades municipalities because data shows that all eight municipalities with CDBG Target Areas have substantial needs in terms of housing conditions, infrastructure, and economic improvement.
  - The BCC did not accept the request that the funds to be made available for economic development be given to one municipality, because this would impede the ability to stimulate economic growth throughout the County in numerous areas having such a need.
- Homeless and Housing Alliance Grant Review Committee - May 22, 2013 and June 3, 2013
  - All comments emanating from these meetings were accepted by the Committee.
- Regional Meetings – May 29<sup>th</sup> and May 30<sup>th</sup>, 2013
  - The Housing and Homeless Alliance request is being considered by the County.
- Public Meeting on Draft Action Plan – June 26, 2013
  - All comments received at the meeting were provided with a response and were accepted.
- BCC Public Hearing – July 16, 2013
  - No comments were received at the public hearing.

## **7. Summary**

The funding recommendations provide for activities which address 25 of the 36 goals identified in the Five Year Plan and cover the following broad categories: Affordable Housing, Homeless Facilities, Code Enforcement and Demolition, Public Facilities and Infrastructure, Provision of Public Services, Fair Housing, and Economic Development.

The citizen participation process commenced in March 2013 and involved a series of seven (7) public meetings, notices of which were published in the Palm Beach Post newspaper and posted on County

websites. At these meetings, citizens were provided the opportunity to comment on the funding strategies envisioned for the CDBG, ESG, and HOME programs and later on the draft Action Plan. Public comments helped shape the funding strategies and activities that were ultimately included in the final Action Plan. The Plan was adapted by the BCC on July 16, 2013.

## PR-05 Lead & Responsible Agencies

### 1. Agency/entity responsible for preparing/administering the Consolidated Plan

The following are the agencies/entities responsible for preparing the Consolidated Plan and those responsible for administration of each grant program and funding source.

| Agency Role        | Name              | Department/Agency                     |
|--------------------|-------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Lead Agency        | Palm Beach County | Department of Economic Sustainability |
| ESG Administration | Palm Beach County | Department of Community Services      |

**Table 1 – Responsible Agencies**

### Narrative

The Department of Economic Sustainability (DES) is the agency that is primarily responsible for preparing the Consolidated Plan. The Department of Community Services, Division of Human and Veteran Services (DHS), administers the ESG Program and prepares those sections of the Annual Action Plan which relate to the ESG Program. DES administers federal funds provided to the County under the formula based CDBG and HOME Programs. Over the past several years, DES has also administered federal funds made available under the CDBG Disaster Recovery Program as provided through the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity, and federal funds provided to the County under HERA (NSP1), ARRA (NSP2, CDBG-R and HPRP), and the Dodd-Franks Act (NSP3).

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|--------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------|
| <b>1. TYPE OF SUBMISSION:</b><br>Application     |                                           | <b>2. DATE SUBMITTED</b><br>August 9, 2013 | <b>Applicant Identifier</b><br>B-13-UC-12-0004 |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Construction | <input type="checkbox"/> Pre-application  | <b>3. DATE RECEIVED BY STATE</b>           | <b>State Application Identifier</b>            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Non-Construction        | <input type="checkbox"/> Construction     | <b>4. DATE RECEIVED BY FEDERAL AGENCY</b>  | <b>Federal Identifier</b>                      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Non-Construction        | <input type="checkbox"/> Non-Construction |                                            |                                                |

**5. APPLICANT INFORMATION**

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| <b>Legal Name:</b><br>Palm Beach County Board of Commissioners                                                                                                     | <b>Organizational Unit:</b><br>Department:<br>Department of Economic Sustainability                                                                                                                                   |
| <b>Organizational DUNS:</b><br>078470481                                                                                                                           | <b>Division:</b><br>Strategic Planning Section                                                                                                                                                                        |
| <b>Address:</b><br>Street:<br>100 Australian Avenue<br>Suite 500<br>City:<br>West Palm Beach<br>County:<br>Palm Beach County<br>State:<br>FL<br>Zip Code:<br>33406 | <b>Name and telephone number of person to be contacted on matters involving this application (give area code)</b><br>Prefix:<br>Mr.<br>First Name:<br>Edward<br>Middle Name:<br>W.<br>Last Name:<br>Lowery<br>Suffix: |
| <b>Country:</b><br>United States of America                                                                                                                        | <b>Email:</b><br>elowery@pbcgov.org                                                                                                                                                                                   |

**6. EMPLOYER IDENTIFICATION NUMBER (EIN):**

59-6000785

**8. TYPE OF APPLICATION:**☐ New ☒ Continuation ☐ RevisionIf Revision, enter appropriate letter(s) in box(es)  
(See back of form for description of letters.)

Other (specify)

**10. CATALOG OF FEDERAL DOMESTIC ASSISTANCE NUMBER:**

14-218

**TITLE (Name of Program):**  
Community Development Block Grant**12. AREAS AFFECTED BY PROJECT (Cities, Counties, States, etc.):**

Palm Beach County, FL (Countywide)

**13. PROPOSED PROJECT****Start Date:**  
10/01/13  
**Ending Date:**  
09/30/14**15. ESTIMATED FUNDING:**

|                   |    |           |
|-------------------|----|-----------|
| a. Federal        | \$ | 5,892,217 |
| b. Applicant      | \$ |           |
| c. State          | \$ |           |
| d. Local          | \$ |           |
| e. Other          | \$ |           |
| f. Program Income | \$ | 25,000    |
| g. TOTAL          | \$ | 5,917,217 |

**7. TYPE OF APPLICANT: (See back of form for Application Types)**

County Government

Other (specify)

**9. NAME OF FEDERAL AGENCY:**

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

**11. DESCRIPTIVE TITLE OF APPLICANT'S PROJECT:**

Palm Beach County's CDBG Program activities include public facilities, infrastructure, public services, housing rehabilitation, demolition, fair housing activities, economic development activities, and program administration.

**14. CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICTS OF:**a. Applicant  
18, 20, 21, 22  
b. Project  
18, 20, 21, 22**16. IS APPLICATION SUBJECT TO REVIEW BY STATE EXECUTIVE ORDER 12372 PROCESS?**a. Yes. ☒ THIS PREAPPLICATION/APPLICATION WAS MADE AVAILABLE TO THE STATE EXECUTIVE ORDER 12372 PROCESS FOR REVIEW ON

DATE:

b. No. ☐ PROGRAM IS NOT COVERED BY E. O. 12372☐ OR PROGRAM HAS NOT BEEN SELECTED BY STATE FOR REVIEW**17. IS THE APPLICANT DELINQUENT ON ANY FEDERAL DEBT?**☐ Yes If "Yes" attach an explanation. ☒ No**18. TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF, ALL DATA IN THIS APPLICATION/PREAPPLICATION ARE TRUE AND CORRECT. THE DOCUMENT HAS BEEN DULY AUTHORIZED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE APPLICANT AND THE APPLICANT WILL COMPLY WITH THE ATTACHED ASSURANCES IF THE ASSISTANCE IS AWARDED.****a. Authorized Representative**

|                                                  |                                                             |                         |
|--------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|
| <b>Prefix</b><br>Mr.                             | <b>First Name</b><br>Steven                                 | <b>Middle Name</b><br>L |
| <b>Last Name</b><br>Abrams                       | <b>Suffix</b>                                               |                         |
| <b>b. Title</b><br>Mayor                         | <b>c. Telephone Number (give area code)</b><br>561-355-2204 |                         |
| <b>d. Signature of Authorized Representative</b> | <b>e. Date Signed</b><br>JUL 16 2013                        |                         |

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Construction                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |    | <b>3. DATE RECEIVED BY STATE</b>                     |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | <b>State Application Identifier</b>            |                                                    |
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| <b>Country:</b><br>United States of America                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |    |                                                      | <b>Email:</b><br>elowery@pbcgov.org                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |                                                |                                                    |
| <b>6. EMPLOYER IDENTIFICATION NUMBER (EIN):</b><br>59-8000786                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |    |                                                      | <b>Phone Number (give area code)</b><br>561-233-3602                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |                                                | <b>Fax Number (give area code)</b><br>561-233-3651 |
| <b>7. TYPE OF APPLICATION:</b><br><input type="checkbox"/> New <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Continuation <input type="checkbox"/> Revision<br>If Revision, enter appropriate letter(s) in box(es)<br>(See back of form for description of letters.)<br>Other (specify) <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> |    |                                                      | <b>7. TYPE OF APPLICANT: (See back of form for Application Types)</b><br>County Government<br>Other (specify)                                                                                                                                                                        |                                                |                                                    |
| <b>10. CATALOG OF FEDERAL DOMESTIC ASSISTANCE NUMBER:</b><br>TITLE (Name of Program):<br>Emergency Solutions Grant<br>14-231                                                                                                                                                                                                    |    |                                                      | <b>9. NAME OF FEDERAL AGENCY:</b><br>U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development                                                                                                                                                                                                |                                                |                                                    |
| <b>12. AREAS AFFECTED BY PROJECT (Cities, Counties, States, etc.):</b><br>Palm Beach County, FL (Countywide)                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |    |                                                      | <b>11. DESCRIPTIVE TITLE OF APPLICANT'S PROJECT:</b><br>Provision of services to the homeless and those at risk of becoming homeless. Activities include operation and maintenance of emergency shelters/transitional housing, homeless prevention activities, and rapid re-housing. |                                                |                                                    |
| <b>13. PROPOSED PROJECT</b><br>Start Date:<br>10/01/13<br>Ending Date:<br>09/30/14                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |    |                                                      | <b>14. CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICTS OF:</b><br>a. Applicant<br>18,20,21,22<br>b. Project<br>18,20,21,22                                                                                                                                                                                   |                                                |                                                    |
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| a. Federal                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | \$ | 393,491                                              | a. Yes. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> THIS PREAPPLICATION/APPLICATION WAS MADE AVAILABLE TO THE STATE EXECUTIVE ORDER 12372 PROCESS FOR REVIEW ON                                                                                                                              |                                                |                                                    |
| b. Applicant                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | \$ |                                                      | DATE:                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |                                                |                                                    |
| c. State                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | \$ |                                                      | b. No. <input type="checkbox"/> PROGRAM IS NOT COVERED BY E. O. 12372                                                                                                                                                                                                                |                                                |                                                    |
| d. Local                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | \$ |                                                      | <input type="checkbox"/> OR PROGRAM HAS NOT BEEN SELECTED BY STATE FOR REVIEW                                                                                                                                                                                                        |                                                |                                                    |
| e. Other                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | \$ |                                                      | <b>17. IS THE APPLICANT DELINQUENT ON ANY FEDERAL DEBT?</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |                                                |                                                    |
| f. Program Income                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | \$ |                                                      | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes if "Yes" attach an explanation. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No                                                                                                                                                                                  |                                                |                                                    |
| g. TOTAL                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | \$ | 393,491                                              |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |                                                |                                                    |
| <b>18. TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF, ALL DATA IN THIS APPLICATION/PREAPPLICATION ARE TRUE AND CORRECT. THE DOCUMENT HAS BEEN DULY AUTHORIZED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE APPLICANT AND THE APPLICANT WILL COMPLY WITH THE ATTACHED ASSURANCES IF THE ASSISTANCE IS AWARDED.</b>                                      |    |                                                      |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |                                                |                                                    |
| <b>a. Authorized Representative</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |    |                                                      |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |                                                |                                                    |
| Prefix<br>Mr.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |    | First Name<br>Steven                                 |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | Middle Name<br>L                               |                                                    |
| Last Name<br>Abrams                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |    | Suffix                                               |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |                                                |                                                    |
| b. Title<br>Mayor                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |    | c. Telephone Number (give area code)<br>561-355-2204 |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |                                                |                                                    |
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OMB Approved No. 3076-0006

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| <b>1. TYPE OF SUBMISSION:</b><br>Application                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |  | <b>2. DATE SUBMITTED</b><br>August 9, 2013                   |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | <b>Applicant Identifier</b><br>M-13-UC-12-0215 |  |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Construction                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |  | <b>3. DATE RECEIVED BY STATE</b>                             |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | <b>State Application Identifier</b>            |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Non-Construction                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |  | <b>4. DATE RECEIVED BY FEDERAL AGENCY</b>                    |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | <b>Federal Identifier</b>                      |  |
| <b>5. APPLICANT INFORMATION</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |  |                                                              |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |                                                |  |
| <b>Legal Name:</b><br>Palm Beach County Board of Commissioners                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |  |                                                              | <b>Organizational Unit:</b><br>Department:<br>Department of Economic Sustainability                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |                                                |  |
| <b>Organizational DUNS:</b><br>078470481                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |  |                                                              | <b>Division:</b><br>Strategic Planning Section                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |                                                |  |
| <b>Address:</b><br><b>Street:</b><br>100 Australian Avenue<br><b>Suite:</b><br>500<br><b>City:</b><br>West Palm Beach<br><b>County:</b><br>Palm Beach County<br><b>State:</b><br>FL<br><b>Zip Code:</b><br>33406<br><b>Country:</b><br>United States of America                            |  |                                                              | <b>Name and telephone number of person to be contacted on matters involving this application (give area code)</b><br><b>Prefix:</b><br>Mr.<br><b>First Name:</b><br>Edward<br><b>Middle Name:</b><br>W.<br><b>Last Name:</b><br>Lowery<br><b>Suffix:</b><br><br><b>Email:</b><br>elowery@pbccgov.org<br><b>Phone Number (give area code)</b><br>561-233-3602<br><b>Fax Number (give area code)</b><br>561-233-3651 |                                                |  |
| <b>6. EMPLOYER IDENTIFICATION NUMBER (EIN):</b><br>59-6000785                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |  |                                                              | <b>7. TYPE OF APPLICANT: (See back of form for Application Types)</b><br>County Government<br>Other (specify)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |                                                |  |
| <b>8. TYPE OF APPLICATION:</b><br><input type="checkbox"/> New <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Continuation <input type="checkbox"/> Revision<br>If Revision, enter appropriate letter(s) in box(es)<br>(See back of form for description of letters.)<br>Other (specify)              |  |                                                              | <b>9. NAME OF FEDERAL AGENCY:</b><br>U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |                                                |  |
| <b>10. CATALOG OF FEDERAL DOMESTIC ASSISTANCE NUMBER:</b><br>14-239                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |  |                                                              | <b>11. DESCRIPTIVE TITLE OF APPLICANT'S PROJECT:</b><br>Developer Rental Program, CHDO Program Administration, CHDO Operating Expenses, and Home Program Administration.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |                                                |  |
| <b>12. AREAS AFFECTED BY PROJECT (Cities, Counties, States, etc.):</b><br>Palm Beach County, FL (Countywide)                                                                                                                                                                               |  |                                                              | <b>14. CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICTS OF:</b><br>a. Applicant<br>18,20,21,22<br>b. Project<br>18,20,21,22                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |                                                |  |
| <b>13. PROPOSED PROJECT</b><br><b>Start Date:</b><br>10/01/13<br><b>Ending Date:</b><br>09/30/14                                                                                                                                                                                           |  |                                                              | <b>16. IS APPLICATION SUBJECT TO REVIEW BY STATE EXECUTIVE ORDER 12372 PROCESS?</b><br>a. Yes. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> THIS PREAPPLICATION/APPLICATION WAS MADE AVAILABLE TO THE STATE EXECUTIVE ORDER 12372 PROCESS FOR REVIEW ON<br>DATE:<br>b. No. <input type="checkbox"/> PROGRAM IS NOT COVERED BY E. O. 12372<br><input type="checkbox"/> OR PROGRAM HAS NOT BEEN SELECTED BY STATE FOR REVIEW  |                                                |  |
| <b>15. ESTIMATED FUNDING:</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |  |                                                              | <b>17. IS THE APPLICANT DELINQUENT ON ANY FEDERAL DEBT?</b><br><input type="checkbox"/> Yes if "Yes" attach an explanation. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |                                                |  |
| a. Federal \$ 1,611,843                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |  |                                                              |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |                                                |  |
| b. Applicant \$                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |  |                                                              |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |                                                |  |
| c. State \$                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |  |                                                              |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |                                                |  |
| d. Local \$                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |  |                                                              |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |                                                |  |
| e. Other \$                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |  |                                                              |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |                                                |  |
| f. Program Income \$                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |  |                                                              |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |                                                |  |
| g. TOTAL \$ 1,611,843                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |  |                                                              |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |                                                |  |
| <b>18. TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF, ALL DATA IN THIS APPLICATION/PREAPPLICATION ARE TRUE AND CORRECT. THE DOCUMENT HAS BEEN DULY AUTHORIZED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE APPLICANT AND THE APPLICANT WILL COMPLY WITH THE ATTACHED ASSURANCES IF THE ASSISTANCE IS AWARDED.</b> |  |                                                              |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |                                                |  |
| <b>a. Authorized Representative</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |  |                                                              |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |                                                |  |
| <b>Prefix:</b><br>Mr.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |  | <b>First Name:</b><br>Steven                                 |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | <b>Middle Name:</b><br>L                       |  |
| <b>Last Name:</b><br>Abrams                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |  | <b>Suffix:</b>                                               |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |                                                |  |
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## **AP-10 Consultation**

### **1. Introduction**

Palm Beach County's Department of Economic Sustainability (DES) involves the public, private and public agencies, municipalities, and other interested parties at multiple stages during the planning process. Specifically, these entities are invited to public meetings held by DES to disseminate information about the CDBG, ESG and HOME Programs and to solicit feedback about the community's housing and community development needs. The County's Action Plan is presented to the public and to the Board of County Commissioners at public meetings, notice of which are published in the Palm Beach Post (a local newspaper of general circulation) and posted on DES's website. Public comments are accepted both in writing and orally.

### **Summary of the jurisdiction's activities to enhance coordination between public and assisted housing providers and private and governmental health, mental health and service agencies**

Palm Beach County implements strategies to enhance coordination between public and private housing providers, municipalities, social service agencies, private and governmental health providers, mental health institutions, among others. Palm Beach County, through DES, undertakes essential housing assistance and community development activities in its unincorporated areas and in municipalities which have executed inter-local agreements with the County. Currently, the County has inter-local agreements with thirty (30) municipalities that have agreed to participate in the Urban County Program in order to benefit from CDBG and HOME funds. ESG funds are administered by the Division of Human and Veteran Services and are distributed on a county-wide basis to non-profit agencies. DES works with various municipalities and county departments to undertake housing rehabilitation, demolition, and public facilities and infrastructure projects. DES also continues to work with private non-profits and for-profit agencies, Community Housing Development Corporations (CHDOs), various lending institutions and private developers to provide affordable housing to benefit low and moderate income families in the County. In addition, DES coordinates with the four public housing authorities within the Urban County Program jurisdiction by providing financial assistance to upgrade and expand their housing stock. Palm Beach County continues to provide Certifications of Consistency to public housing authorities and other housing providers as part of their pursuit of funding. The County also cooperates with the State of Florida in the development of its plans and strategies. Per Executive Order 12372, the Florida Clearinghouse, under the Department of Environmental Protection, administers the intergovernmental coordination and review process of certain state and federal activities within the State of Florida which involves federal financial assistance. DES, on behalf of the County, submits its Consolidated Plan, Action Plan, and any Plan amendments to the State for distribution and review by appropriate State agencies and Water Management Districts. The County also submits its documents to the Treasure Coast Regional Planning Council for comments.

**Describe coordination with the Continuum of Care that serves the jurisdiction's area in determining how to allocate ESG funds, develop performance standards for and evaluate outcomes of projects and activities assisted by ESG funds, and develop funding, policies and procedures for the operation and administration of HMIS**

Palm Beach County's Continuum of Care (CoC) is known as the Homeless and Housing Alliance (HHA). The Division of Human and Veteran Services (DHS) serves as the Lead Agency for the Homeless Continuum of Care which is governed by an Executive Committee consisting of nine (9) members: two (2) funders, one (1) formerly homeless individual, one (1) Domestic Violence Service Provider, one (1) Homeless Family Service Provider, one (1) Homeless Individual Service Provider, one (1) Faith Based Service Provider, the Chair of the HMIS Oversight Committee, and one (1) Veterans Service Provider . On April 15, 2013, DHS presented the eligible ESG components to the HHA Executive Committee. The HHA was requested to recommend the general distribution of the FY2013-14 ESG grants to include: allocation percentage by category, establish funding priorities (Emergency Shelter and Rapid Re- Housing were prioritized), and identify the source of the matching dollars for 211 Palm Beach/Treasure Coast (HMIS Lead Agency).

The HHA has Standard Policies and Procedures for the operation and administration of the HMIS. These were developed with input from the HHA members and 211 Palm Beach/Treasure Coast. The HHA has also established a Universal Application and Universal Self Sufficiency Matrix for any homeless individual or family entering in the CoC Service Delivery System and is currently developing standard Performance Measures that will be used to evaluate all programs funded, including those funded by HUD.

**Describe consultation with the Continuum of Care that serves the State in determining how to allocate ESG funds, develop performance standards for and evaluate outcomes of projects and activities assisted by ESG funds, and develop funding, policies and procedures for the operation and administration of HMIS**

N/A

**2. Agencies, groups, organizations and others who participated in the process and consultations**

| Agency/Group/Organization        | Agency/Group/Organization Type        | What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation? |
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| Adopt-A-Family                   | Services-homeless                     | Homeless Needs - Families with children                 |
| Aid to Victims of Domestic Abuse | Services-Victims of Domestic Violence | Homeless to Victims of Domestic Abuse                   |

| Agency/Group/Organization                    | Agency/Group/Organization Type        | What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?                                                   |
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| Children's Home Society                      | Services-homeless                     | Homelessness Needs - Unaccompanied youth                                                                  |
| Children's Place at Home Safe                | Services-homeless                     | Homelessness Needs - Unaccompanied youth                                                                  |
| Coalition for Independent Living Options     | Services-Persons with Disabilities    | Non-Homeless Special Needs                                                                                |
| Center for Family Services                   | Services-homeless                     | Homeless Needs - Families with children                                                                   |
| Children's Case Management                   | Services-Children                     | Public Services                                                                                           |
| Healthy Mothers/Healthy Babies               | Services-Health                       | Public Services                                                                                           |
| The Lord's Place                             | Services-homeless                     | Homelessness Strategy<br>Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless<br>Homeless Needs - Families with children |
| Jesus and You Outreach Ministries            | Services-homeless                     | Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless                                                                     |
| Legal Aid Society of Palm Beach County, Inc. | Service-Fair Housing                  | Public Services - Fair Housing                                                                            |
| Place of Hope, Inc.                          | Services-homeless                     | Homelessness Needs - Unaccompanied youth                                                                  |
| The Salvation Army                           | Services-homeless                     | Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless                                                                     |
| Redlands Christian Migrant Organization      | Services-Children                     | Public Services                                                                                           |
| Seagull Industries for the Disabled, Inc.    | Services-Persons with Disabilities    | Non-Homeless Special Needs                                                                                |
| Sickle Cell Foundation of Palm Beach County  | Services-Health                       | Public Services                                                                                           |
| The Urban League of Palm Beach County        | Housing Counseling Services           | Public Services                                                                                           |
| YWCA of Palm Beach County                    | Services-Victims of Domestic Violence | Homeless Needs Victims of Domestic Abuse                                                                  |
| Vita Nova                                    | Services-homeless                     | Homelessness Needs - Unaccompanied youth                                                                  |
| Community Land Trust of Palm Beach County    | Housing                               | Housing Need Assessment                                                                                   |



| Agency/Group/Organization                               | Agency/Group/Organization Type | What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?                                          |
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| Palm Beach County Board of County Commissioners         | Other government - County      | Housing Need Assessment<br>Homelessness Strategy<br>Economic Development<br>Capital Improvements |
| City of Belle Glade                                     | Other government - Local       | Capital Improvements                                                                             |
| City of Pahokee                                         | Other government - Local       | Capital Improvements                                                                             |
| City of South Bay                                       | Other government - Local       | Capital Improvements                                                                             |
| City of Lake Worth                                      | Other government - Local       | Capital Improvements                                                                             |
| City of Greenacres                                      | Other government - Local       | Capital Improvements                                                                             |
| City of Riviera Beach                                   | Other government - Local       | Capital Improvements                                                                             |
| Town of Lake Park                                       | Other government - Local       | Capital Improvements                                                                             |
| Town of Mangonia Park                                   | Other government - Local       | Capital Improvements                                                                             |
| Homeless and Housing Alliance of Palm Beach County      | Planning organization          | Homelessness Strategy                                                                            |
| Housing Partnership, Inc.                               | Housing                        | Homelessness Strategy                                                                            |
| Gulfstream Goodwill                                     | Services-homeless              | Homelessness Strategy                                                                            |
| CARP, Inc.                                              | Services-Health                | Homelessness Strategy                                                                            |
| Catholic Charities                                      | Services-homeless              | Homelessness Strategy                                                                            |
| 211 Palm Beach/Treasure Coast                           | Services-homeless              | Homelessness Strategy                                                                            |
| CROS Ministries                                         | Services-homeless              | Homelessness Strategy                                                                            |
| Family Promise of North/Central Palm Beach County, Inc. | Services-homeless              | Homeless Needs - Families with children                                                          |
| Family Promise of Southern Palm Beach County, Inc.      | Services-homeless              | Homeless Needs - Families with children                                                          |
| Farmworker's Coordinating Council                       | Services-homeless              | Homelessness Strategy                                                                            |
| Florida Resource Center for Women and Children          | Services-homeless              | Homeless Needs - Families with children                                                          |
| Found Care                                              | Services-Health                | Homelessness Strategy                                                                            |
| Holy Ground Shelter for Homeless, Inc.                  | Services-homeless              | Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless                                                            |
| Jerome Golden Center for Behavioral Health              | Services-homeless              | Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless                                                            |
| McCurdy Sr. Housing Quiet Waters                        | Services-Elderly Persons       | Housing Need Assessment                                                                          |
| Palm Beach Recovery Coalition                           | Services-homeless              | Homelessness Strategy                                                                            |
| Community Services                                      | Services-homeless              | Homelessness Strategy                                                                            |
| Palm Beach County Department of Health                  | Services-Health                | Homelessness Strategy                                                                            |

| Agency/Group/Organization            | Agency/Group/Organization Type | What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation? |
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| Palm Beach County HIV Care Council   | Services-Persons with HIV/AIDS | HOPWA Strategy                                          |
| Palm Beach County Homeless Coalition | Services-homeless              | Homelessness Strategy                                   |
| Palm Beach County School District    | Services-Education             | Homelessness Strategy                                   |
| St. George's Center                  | Services-homeless              | Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless                   |
| Faith-Hope-Love-Charity              | Services-homeless              | Homeless Needs-Veterans                                 |
| The Everglades Inn                   | Services-homeless              | Homelessness Strategy                                   |
| The Lewis Center                     | Services-homeless              | Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless                   |
| The Ryan White Program               | Services-Persons with HIV/AIDS | HOPWA Strategy                                          |
| Vets Place                           | Services-homeless              | Homeless Needs-Veterans                                 |
| United Way of Palm Beach County      | Regional Organization          | Homelessness Strategy                                   |
| VA Medical Center                    | Publically funded institution  | Homelessness Strategy                                   |

**Table 2 – Agencies, groups, organizations who participated**

### **How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination**

DES encourages the public and interested parties to participate in the development of the Action Plan. To that end, agencies and municipalities received written notification of the Board of County Commissioners March 26, 2013 workshop. A meeting notice was published in the local newspaper as well as placed on DES's website. At this meeting, DES staff and County Administration reviewed the CDBG, ESG and HOME programs and presented alternative funding strategies to the BCC. A number of interested parties, including municipalities, public agencies and non-profit service providers, took the opportunity to provide input on the federal programs discussed and on the recommendations presented. As a result of this consultation, various strategies for the FY 2013-2014 CDBG, ESG and HOME programs were developed. For the CDBG program, these strategies affected how the following should be funded and/or operated in FY 2013-2014: economic development, demolition, municipal projects, county-initiated projects, Special Area of Hope allocation and public services. For the HOME program, these included CHDO-administered activities and a rental development/rehabilitation program. For the ESG program, these included emergency shelter, homeless prevention, rapid re-housing, and essential services. Specific consultation also took place regarding the identification and addressing of homeless issues during FY 2013-2014. The Homeless and Housing Alliance reached out to the homeless population to assess their individual needs. These needs were considered in determining funding allocations for homeless programs. The County will continue to collaborate with the Homeless and Housing Alliance to ensure the needs of homeless individuals and families are met.



## Identify any Agency Types not consulted and provide rationale for not consulting

Palm Beach County believes in a multi-faceted, collaborative approach to community development and strives to include all agencies from varied backgrounds to provide input essential to successful community development planning. This includes public service agencies, developers, community organizations, local governments/municipalities, and the public. The County adheres to its Citizen Participation Plan as an effective and comprehensive means for deriving local information for planning/community development needs. DES and Community Services have endeavored to include all pertinent agencies in the consultation process and have not excluded any agency types from the opportunity to be consulted.

## Other local/regional/state/federal planning efforts considered when preparing the Plan

| Name of Plan                                       | Lead Organization                                                                 | How do the goals of your Strategic Plan overlap with the goals of each plan?                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
|----------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Continuum of Care (CoC)                            | Palm Beach County Department of Community Services/ Homeless and Housing Alliance | The CoC was created to bring all segments of the public community together to address the needs of the homeless. CoC objectives related to the Strategic Plan are: Quantify the need for homeless services; streamline the dissemination of the availability of homeless services; coordinate solicitations for funding; assist in increasing capacity among service provider agencies.     |
| Community Revitalization and Redevelopment Program | Palm Beach County Office of Community Revitalization (OCR)                        | The CCRT goals correlate with DES's Strategic Plan by: Coordinating and facilitating community development projects in CCRT targeted areas, (many of which mirror DES's established target areas) and Overseeing various community improvement programs, such as Neighborhood Partnership Grant Program, Neighborhood Street Lighting Program, and Home Beautification Improvement Program. |
| Glades Region Master Plan                          | Palm Beach County Department of Economic Sustainability (DES)                     | The Glades Region Master Plan is currently in the development phase. It will serve to provide a framework for economic development and redevelopment in the Glades, in which future infrastructure dollars can be utilized to implement plan objectives.                                                                                                                                    |

**Table 3 – Other local / regional / federal planning efforts**

## **AP-12 Participation**

### **1. Summary of citizen participation process/Efforts made to broaden citizen participation Summarize citizen participation process and how it impacted goal-setting**

Palm Beach County began its citizen participation and consultation process on March 26, 2013 when it held a BCC Workshop to generate public involvement in the plan development process and to receive comments on alternative funding allocation strategies. DES supplemented this by providing direct notice to its FY 2012-2013 non-profit and municipal partners regarding the March 26 BCC Workshop. DES also held two Regional Meetings on May 29 and 30, 2013, one in eastern Palm Beach County (West Palm Beach) and the other in western portion of the County (Belle Glade), to discuss the CDBG, ESG and HOME Programs. Information regarding the two Regional Meetings was published in the Palm Beach Post on May 19, 2013 and posted on the DES website. The draft Action Plan was made available to the public for review via a public notice published in the Palm Beach Post on June 16, 2013 and posted on the DES website. The notice also advised the public to a meeting held on June 26, 2013 at 100 Australian Avenue, West Palm Beach, FL to present specific funding recommendation for FY 2013-2014 CDBG, ESG and HOME activities. The Draft Action Plan notice provides a 30 day comment period concluding on July 16, 2013 where the Final Action Plan will be presented to BCC for adoption at a Public Hearing.

## Citizen Participation Outreach

| Mode of Outreach | Target of Outreach               | Summary of response/attendance                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | Summary of comments received                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | Summary of comments not accepted and reasons                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | URL (If applicable)                                               |
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| Public Meeting   | Non-targeted/<br>broad community | <p>On March 26, 2013, DES sought Board direction on funding strategies outlined by DES at their BCC Workshop.</p> <p>Representatives from six non-profit organizations, two municipalities and one community redevelopment agency were in attendance.</p> | <p>Comments were received from the Legal Aid Society of Palm Beach, Sickie Cell Foundation of Palm Beach County and Treasure Coast, Children's Place at HomeSafe, Coalition for Independent Living Options, The Lord's Place, and Jesus and You Outreach Ministries, the Town of Mangonia Park, the City of Riviera Beach, and the City of Pahokee. The six non-profit agencies made comments in support of continued CDBG funding to non-profit public service providers. One municipality spoke in support of the proposal to allow non-Glades entitlement cities to receive funding under the Special Area of Hope Program. A representative</p> | <p>The City of Pahokee's request that the distribution of Special Area of Hope (SAOH) Program funds remain limited only to the three Glades municipalities was not accepted. The Board decided to expand the SAOH funding to include the County's other five entitlement municipalities, since economic and social conditions in these municipalities evidence need and since each of the three Glades municipalities had already received the SAOH allocation an equal number of times. The City of Riviera Beach CRA requested that the SAOH funding be allocated to the eight entitlement municipalities in order of greatest need and that demolition be considered an eligible activity to be undertaken with the funds. The Board decided to distribute the funds alphabetically to ensure fairness and to not add demolition</p> | <p><a href="http://www.pbcgov.com/des">www.pbcgov.com/des</a></p> |

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|                  |                              |                                                                     | from a Glades municipality requested that the Special Area of Hope funding continue to be assigned only to the three Glades municipalities. A representative from the City of Riviera Beach CRA commented on the Special Area of Hope funds and its order of distribution. He also commented on the proposed economic development activity to be carried out by DES. | as an eligible activity. The CRA requested that the County allocate its proposed CDBG Economic Development funding to the City of Riviera Beach. This request was not approved in order to maintain business services provided by the County's Department of Economic Sustainability. |                     |
| Public Meeting   | Non-targeted/broad community | On May 29, 2013, DES held a Regional Meeting in the Eastern County. | A comment was received from the Homeless and Housing Alliance regarding the use of HOME Program funds. It was requested that the County utilize those funds to create a tenant based rental assistance program.                                                                                                                                                      | The Homeless and Housing Alliance request is being taken into consideration.                                                                                                                                                                                                          |                     |
| Public           | Non-                         | On May 30, 2013, DES held                                           | A comment was received                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | The Homeless and Housing Alliance                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |                     |

| Mode of Outreach | Target of Outreach           | Summary of response/attendance                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | Summary of comments received                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | Summary of comments not accepted and reasons                                          | URL (If applicable) |
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| Meeting          | targeted/broad community     | a Regional Meeting in the Western County.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | from the Homeless and Housing Alliance regarding the use of HOME Program funds. It was requested that the County utilize those funds to create a tenant based rental assistance program.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | request is being taken into consideration.                                            |                     |
| Public Meeting   | Non-targeted/broad community | On June 26, 2013, The Draft Action Plan meeting was held to review the funding recommendations for the CDBG, ESG and HOME Programs presented in the Plan and to obtain public input on the plan and the County's utilization of those funds. Representatives were present from County Departments, public service agencies, and County Municipalities. | A commenter enquired about the amount of the Special Area of Hope Allocation and whether or not this amount is a standard sum. A commenter asked that the business incubators proposed for funding under the CDBG Economic Development Program be identified. A commenter from one of the businesses incubators proposed for funding thanked the County for the funding received in previous years and informed that funding received was used to create | All comments received at the meeting were provided with a response and were accepted. |                     |



| Mode of Outreach | Target of Outreach           | Summary of response/attendance                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | Summary of comments received                                                                  | Summary of comments not accepted and reasons         | URL (If applicable) |
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|                  |                              |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | over one-hundred (100) jobs during the previous year.                                         |                                                      |                     |
| Public Meeting   | Non-targeted/broad community | On July 16, 2013, DES will present the Draft Action Plan to the County Commissioners at their BCC Public Hearing.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | No comments were received at the BCC Public Hearing.                                          | No comments were received at the BCC Public Hearing. |                     |
| Public Meeting   | Non-targeted/broad community | On May 22, 2013, the Homeless and Housing Alliance Grant Review Committee held a Non Conflict Grant Review Committee Meeting to review and rank ESG Applications and to make funding recommendations for ESG for FY 2013. Those in attendance included representatives from nine non-profit agencies who applied for ESG funding, PBC's Inspector General, and County Attorney. | One ESG Applicant provided clarification to the Committee regarding their application review. | All comments were accepted.                          |                     |
| Public Meeting   | Non-targeted/broad           | On June 3, 2013, the Homeless and Housing                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | Four ESG Applicants made comments to the                                                      | All comments were accepted.                          |                     |

| Mode of Outreach | Target of Outreach | Summary of response/attendance                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | Summary of comments received                      | Summary of comments not accepted and reasons | URL (If applicable) |
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|                  | community          | Alliance Grant Review Committee held an emergency meeting to discuss funding recommendations based on HUD announcing the County's ESG allocation. Those in attendance included representatives from eleven non-profit agencies who applied for ESG funding, PBC's Inspector General, and County Attorney. | Committee regarding the reduction in ESG funding. |                                              |                     |

**Table 4 – Citizen Participation Outreach**

## **AP-15 Expected Resources**

### **Introduction**

Entitlement grant resources totaling \$14,053,654 are expected during the next fiscal year (October 1, 2013 – September 30, 2014). The amount received for FY 2013-2014 will concentrate on priority needs, specific goals and objectives. The grant resources will address obstacles that meet underserved needs, achieve decent housing, expand economic development opportunities for low and moderate income persons, develop institutional structures, and enhance coordination between public and private housing and social service agencies. The results of these activities will be reported in the Consolidated Annual Performance Evaluation Report to be published in December 2014.

## Anticipated Resources

| Program | Source of Funds  | Uses of Funds                                                                                                                             | Expected Amount Available Year 4 |                    |                          |           | Expected Available of ConPlan \$ | Amount Reminder \$ | Narrative Description                                                                                                                                                 |
|---------|------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------------|-----------|----------------------------------|--------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
|         |                  |                                                                                                                                           | Annual Allocation: \$            | Program Income: \$ | Prior Year Resources: \$ | Total: \$ |                                  |                    |                                                                                                                                                                       |
| CDBG    | public - federal | Admin and Planning<br>Economic Development<br>Housing<br>Public Improvements<br>Public Services                                           | 5,892,217                        | 25,000             | 2,013,653                | 7,930,870 | 11,784,434                       |                    | The CDBG entitlement allocation from HUD for FY 2013-2014 totals \$5,892,217. Program income was calculated at \$25,000, for a total available amount of \$5,917,217. |
| HOME    | public - federal | Acquisition<br>Homebuyer assistance<br>Multifamily rental new construction<br>Multifamily rental rehab<br>New construction for ownership. | 1,611,843                        | 0                  | 3,944,787                | 5,556,630 | 3,223,686                        |                    | The HOME entitlement allocation from HUD for FY 2013-2014 totals \$1,611,843.                                                                                         |
| ESG     | public - federal | Financial Assistance<br>Overnight shelter<br>Rapid re-housing<br>Rental Assistance<br>Services<br>Transitional housing                    | 393,491                          | 0                  | 167,992                  | 561,483   | 786,982                          |                    | The ESG Program entitlement allocation from HUD for FY 2013-2014 totals \$393,491.                                                                                    |

**Table 5 - Expected Resources – Priority Table**

**Explain how federal funds will leverage those additional resources (private, state and local funds), including a description of how matching requirements will be satisfied**

Palm Beach County expects to receive **\$67,563,495** from local, Federal and State funding to complement the CDBG, HOME and ESG funds totaling **\$14,053,654** which it expects to have available during FY 2013-2014. Some **\$34,519,296** of this amount is expected to be from federal sources, **\$20,824,188** from the State and **\$12,220,011** from local sources including County General revenues. These funds will be used to undertake community development activities related to providing assistance to the homeless, disabled and underserved population and those having special needs. Funds will also be used for housing purposes and for undertaking of economic development and infrastructure. Both the HOME program and the ESG Program have matching funds requirement to be provided by the recipient. For the ESG Program this will be provided by the ESG subrecipients in an amount of not less than **\$390,580**, and from Palm Beach County DES and DHS in an amount not less than **\$29,511**. For the HOME Program, this will be provided from the State funded SHIP Program in the amount of **\$342,517**

## OTHER FUNDING RESOURCES (LEVERAGED)

| Program                                                                           | Source  | Uses of Funds                                                                                                                           | Expected Amount<br>(FY 2013-2014) |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Section 108 Loan Guarantee Program and Brownfield Economic Development Initiative | Federal | Used to fund economic development initiatives that creates low to moderate jobs.                                                        | \$ 2,464,000                      |
| Continuum of Care                                                                 | Federal | Homeless assistance to create community systems for combating homelessness under 3 programs.                                            | \$ 4,860,572                      |
| Public Housing Authority Funding - Capital Fund                                   | Federal | Develop, finance, and modernize public housing developments and management improvements.                                                | \$ 1,358,737                      |
| Public Housing Operating Subsidy                                                  | Federal | Provides operating subsidiaries to housing authorities to assist in funding operating and maintenance.                                  | \$ 2,564,633                      |
| Rural Development Rental Assistance                                               | Federal | Rental assistance program for rural areas.                                                                                              | \$ 360,000                        |
| CFP Safety and Emergency Grant                                                    | Federal | HUD program that supports safety and security measures.                                                                                 | \$ 250,000                        |
| Capital Fund RHF Grant                                                            | Federal | Develop, finance, and modernize public housing developments and management improvements.                                                | \$ 52,000                         |
| Resident Opportunity and Self Sufficiency Program                                 | Federal | Program to assist public housing residents and section 8 housing choice voucher program participants to connect to supportive services. | \$ 409,988                        |
| Family Self-Sufficiency Program                                                   | Federal | Program to assist public housing residents and section 8 housing choice voucher program participants to connect to supportive services. | \$ 158,614                        |
| Neighborhood Stabilization Program (3)                                            | Federal | Mortgage Program, Residential Redevelopment (acquisition and rehabilitation), Neighborhood Redevelopment.                               | \$ 2,916,042                      |
| Ryan White Title I                                                                | Federal | Services provided by agencies who serve the HIV/AIDS community.                                                                         | \$ 8,726,316                      |
| Disaster Recovery Initiative Grants                                               | Federal | Federal CDBG funds administered by the State of Florida due to damages to housing and infrastructure from federally-declared disasters. | \$ 10,398,394                     |
| <b>FEDERAL</b>                                                                    |         |                                                                                                                                         | <b>\$ 34,519,296</b>              |
| Emergency Food and Shelter Program                                                | State   | Rent/Mortgage assistance and to place single adults in emergency shelters.                                                              | \$ 138,784                        |



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| Palm Beach County Housing Finance Authority                              | State | Sale of tax free revenue bonds to finance low interest mortgages for development of multi-family rental projects and homebuyer assistance programs.                                                                                                                       | \$ 20,685,404        |
| <b>STATE</b>                                                             |       |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | <b>\$ 20,824,188</b> |
| Financial Assisted Agencies (FAA) (PBC Department of Community Services) | Local | Funding for the prevention/intervention, treatment and emergency services for substance abuse and mental health services, independent living and support services for people/families with special needs or disabilities, domestic abuse, emergency and shelter services. | \$ 12,220,011        |
| <b>LOCAL</b>                                                             |       |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | <b>\$ 12,220,011</b> |
| <b>TOTAL</b>                                                             |       |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | <b>\$ 67,563,495</b> |

**Table 6 – Other Funding Resources**

**If appropriate, describe publically owned land or property located within the jurisdiction that may be used to address the needs identified in the plan**

The County, through the Property and Real Estate Management Division, maintains an inventory of County owned surplus land. The disposition of land owned by Palm Beach County for any purpose including to address needs identified in this Action Plan is governed by Florida Statute at Title XI, Chapter 12- 125.35 (County Authorized to Sell Real and Personal Property and to Lease Real Property) and 125.38 (Sale of County Property to United States or State) and by Palm Beach County Code of Ordinance at Chapter 22, Article VI (real Property Acquisition, Disposition and Leasing). In effecting the requirements of the statute and code referred above, Palm Beach County utilizes PPM-CW-L-073 (Requirements for the Acquisition, Disposition, Lease and Exchange of Real Property).

In summary, land may be sold or donated to certain entities (non-profit organizations and municipalities) for public and community interest purposes. If the Board of County Commissioners is satisfied with the proposed use of the property and the land is not needed for County purposes, it can be conveyed or leased for such price (nominal or otherwise) that the Board may fix, regardless of the actual value of the property. Where there is more than one requestor for the property, the Board is authorized to sell, lease and convey any property belonging to the County for the particular use deemed to be the highest and best.

## AP-20 Annual Goals and Objectives

### Goals Summary Information

| Goal Name                                         | Start Year | End Year | Category                                        | Geographic Area                                               | Needs Addressed                | Funding                                                    | Goal Outcome Indicator                                                                                                |
|---------------------------------------------------|------------|----------|-------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Affordable Rental Housing                         | 2010       | 2015     | Affordable Housing<br>Public Housing            | Countywide                                                    | Rental Housing                 | HOME: \$1,128,290<br>DRI - \$3,318,974<br>NSP- \$2,916,042 | Rental units constructed: 21<br>Household Housing Unit<br>Rental units rehabilitated: 140<br>Household Housing Unit   |
| Availability of Affordable Homeowner Units        | 2010       | 2015     | Affordable Housing                              | Countywide                                                    | Owner Housing                  | HOME: \$241,777<br>DRI - \$1,200,000<br>CDBG: \$35,000     | Homeowner Housing Added: 2<br>Household Housing Unit<br>Homeowner Housing Rehabilitated: 43<br>Household Housing Unit |
| Assistance to Emergency and Transitional Shelters | 2010       | 2015     | Homeless                                        | Countywide                                                    | Homeless Services              | CDBG: \$662,873<br>ESGP - \$206,526                        | Homeless Person Overnight Shelter: 8,547 Persons Assisted                                                             |
| Homeless Prevention                               | 2010       | 2015     | Homeless Prevention                             | Countywide                                                    | Homeless                       | ESGP - \$65,989                                            | Public service activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 468 Persons Assisted                        |
| Rapid Re-Housing of Families/Persons              | 2010       | 2015     | Homeless Prevention                             | Countywide                                                    | Homeless                       | ESGP - \$71,695                                            | Public service activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 88 Persons Assisted                         |
| Centralized Homeless Intake System (HMIS)         | 2010       | 2015     | Operation of Centralized Homeless Intake System | Countywide                                                    | Universal Client Intake System | ESGP - \$19,770                                            | n/a                                                                                                                   |
| Demolition and Clearance                          | 2010       | 2015     | Non-Housing Community Development               | Countywide                                                    | Clearance and Demolition       | CDBG: \$100,000                                            | Buildings Demolished: 10 Buildings                                                                                    |
| Code Enforcement                                  | 2010       | 2015     | Non-Housing Community Development               | City of South Bay,<br>City of Belle Glade,<br>City of Pahokee | Code Enforcement               | CDBG: \$211,673                                            | Other: 25,737 Other                                                                                                   |

| Goal Name                                  | Start Year | End Year | Category                          | Geographic Area                                                                                                                | Needs Addressed                   | Funding                                | Goal Outcome Indicator                                                                                               |
|--------------------------------------------|------------|----------|-----------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|----------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Improved Parks and Recreational Facilities | 2010       | 2015     | Non-Housing Community Development | Westgate Target Area                                                                                                           | Parks and Recreational Facilities | CDBG: \$200,000                        | Public Facility or Infrastructure Activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 4,147 Persons Assisted  |
| Other Public Facilities                    | 2010       | 2015     | Non-Housing Community Development | City of Greenacres                                                                                                             | Youth Centers                     | CDBG: \$322,291                        | Public Facility or Infrastructure Activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 120 Persons Assisted    |
| Improved Water and Sewer System            | 2010       | 2015     | Non-Housing Community Development | City of South Bay, City of Belle Glade, City of Pahokee, City of Greenacres, Town of Mangonia Park, Seminole Manor Target Area | Water and Sewer Improvements      | CDBG: \$1,126,957<br>DRI - \$2,290,951 | Public Facility or Infrastructure Activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 19,668 Persons Assisted |
| Street and Sidewalk Improvements           | 2010       | 2015     | Non-Housing Community Development | City of Lake Worth, City of Riviera Beach                                                                                      | Street and Sidewalk Improvements  | CDBG: \$401,157                        | Public Facility or Infrastructure Activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 8,415 Persons Assisted  |
| Flood and Drainage Improvements            | 2010       | 2015     | Non-Housing Community Development | City of Greenacres, Town of Lake Park, City of Pahokee, Westgate Target Area                                                   | Flood and Drainage Improvements   | CDBG: \$384,650<br>DRI - \$3,199,075   | Public Facility or Infrastructure Activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 29,155 Persons Assisted |
| Provision of Services to Disabled Persons  | 2010       | 2012     | Non-Housing Community Development | Countywide                                                                                                                     | Handicapped Services              | CDBG: \$42,210                         | Public service activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 150 Persons Assisted                       |
| Provision of Child Care Services           | 2010       | 2015     | Non-Housing Community Development | Countywide                                                                                                                     | Child Care Centers                | CDBG: \$10,829                         | Public service activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 100 Persons Assisted                       |
| Provision of Health Services               | 2010       | 2015     | Non-Housing Community             | Countywide                                                                                                                     | Health Services                   | CDBG: \$21,208                         | Public service activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing                                                     |

| Goal Name                                              | Start Year | End Year | Category                                   | Geographic Area | Needs Addressed                        | Funding         | Goal Outcome Indicator                                                                           |
|--------------------------------------------------------|------------|----------|--------------------------------------------|-----------------|----------------------------------------|-----------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
|                                                        |            |          | Development                                |                 |                                        |                 | Benefit: 646 Persons Assisted                                                                    |
| Provision of Fair Housing Services                     | 2010       | 2015     | Fair Housing                               | Countywide      | Fair Housing Activities                | CDBG: \$47,513  | Public service activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 25 Persons Assisted    |
| Provision of Housing Counseling Services               | 2010       | 2015     | Non-Housing Community Development          | Countywide      | Housing Related Counseling             | CDBG: \$14,774  | Public service activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 1,275 Persons Assisted |
| Provision of Services for Victims of Domestic Violence | 2010       | 2015     | Homeless Non-Housing Community Development | Countywide      | Domestic Violence Services             | CDBG: \$20,110  | Public service activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 32 Persons Assisted    |
| Services for Abused and Neglected Children             | 2010       | 2015     | Homeless Non-Housing Community Development | Countywide      | Abused and Neglected Children Services | CDBG: \$44,608  | Public service activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 158 Persons Assisted   |
| General Services for Homeless                          | 2010       | 2015     | Non-Housing Community Development          | Countywide      | Homeless Services                      | CDBG: \$10,386  | Public service activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 130 Persons Assisted   |
| Provision of Economic Development Assistance           | 2010       | 2015     | Non-Housing Community Development          | Countywide      | Economic Development Assistance        | CDBG: \$282,000 | Jobs created/retained: 21 FTE Jobs                                                               |
| Provision of Economic Development Services             | 2010       | 2015     | Non-Housing Community Development          | Countywide      | Economic Development Services          | CDBG: \$401,376 | Jobs created/retained: 12 FTE Jobs                                                               |
| Operation of a Micro-loan Program                      | 2010       | 2015     | Non-Housing Community Development          | Countywide      | Micro-Business Assistance              | CDBG: \$100,000 | Jobs created/retained: 6 FTE Jobs                                                                |

**Table 7 – Goals Summary**

**Estimate the number of extremely low-income, low-income, and moderate-income families to whom the jurisdiction will provide affordable housing as defined by HOME 91.215(b)**

A total of 755 families/households are planned to be assisted with housing during FY 2013-2014 (717 renters and 38 homeowners). All households benefitting are extremely- low-, low- or moderate income. The 717 rental units will be assisted under the DRI, HOME and NSP3 programs. The criteria established by Palm Beach County for households to benefit under all of these programs conform to the HOME Program affordability requirements. The 38 homeowners are expected to be funded via the HOME Program Set-aside for CHDOs and from the Disaster Recovery Initiative (DRI) Program which is administered by the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity but funded by the US Department of Housing and Urban Development. The program is guided by the CDBG regulations therefore all benefitting homeowners must have incomes which do not exceed 80% of the AMI for the County.

## **AP-35 Projects**

### **Introduction**

The Plan identifies a total of fifty-five (55) projects to be funded under the CDBG, ESG and HOME Programs. These include public services, public facilities and infrastructure, homeless activities, housing related activities, as well as administrative and implementation costs needed to undertake the activities. All activities identified in the plan will be completed within three years.



## Project Summary Information

| Project Name                                                                     | Target Area                                                                                                                                                                                                           | Goals Supported                                        | Needs Addressed                                   | Funding        |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------|----------------|
| <b>Aid to Victims of Domestic Abuse</b>                                          | Countywide                                                                                                                                                                                                            | Provision of Services for Victims of Domestic Violence | Homeless Facilities<br>Domestic Violence Services | CDBG: \$20,110 |
| Description                                                                      | Operation of a transitional housing facility that provides a safe place for 32 homeless victims of domestic abuse and their children to live for up to two years while they work towards obtaining permanent housing. |                                                        |                                                   |                |
| <b>Aid to Victims of Domestic Abuse</b>                                          | Countywide                                                                                                                                                                                                            | Provision of Services for Victims of Domestic Violence | Homeless Facilities<br>Domestic Violence Services | ESG: \$21,096  |
| Description                                                                      | Provide emergency shelter to 260 unduplicated homeless victims of domestic violence                                                                                                                                   |                                                        |                                                   |                |
| <b>Adopt-A-Family</b>                                                            | Countywide                                                                                                                                                                                                            | Rapid Re-Housing of homeless Families/Persons          | Rapid Re-Housing                                  | ESG: \$71,695  |
| Description                                                                      | Provide rapid re-housing to 88 homeless families in support of homeless intervention activities occurring at the Senator Philip D. Lewis Center.                                                                      |                                                        |                                                   |                |
| <b>Center for Family Services</b>                                                | Countywide                                                                                                                                                                                                            | Assistance to Emergency and Transitional Shelter       | Emergency Shelter                                 | ESG: \$17,607  |
| Description                                                                      | Provision of emergency shelter and support services to 168 homeless persons                                                                                                                                           |                                                        |                                                   |                |
| <b>Center for Family Services</b>                                                | Countywide                                                                                                                                                                                                            | Homeless Prevention                                    | Homeless Prevention                               | ESG: \$26,519  |
| Description                                                                      | Provide homeless prevention services to 90 individuals who are homeless or at risk of homelessness.                                                                                                                   |                                                        |                                                   |                |
| <b>Homeless Management Intake System</b>                                         | Countywide                                                                                                                                                                                                            | Centralized Homeless Intake System                     | Universal Client Intake System                    | ESG: \$19,770  |
| Description                                                                      | Provide for the operation of a centralized homeless intake system                                                                                                                                                     |                                                        |                                                   |                |
| <b>Children's Home Society of Florida</b>                                        | Countywide                                                                                                                                                                                                            | General Services for Homeless                          | Homeless Facilities                               | CDBG: \$18,563 |
| Description                                                                      | Operation of a transitional housing facility for teen mothers ages 13-19 who are pregnant or with a child. 24 unduplicated individuals will be served by this activity.                                               |                                                        |                                                   |                |
| <b>Children's Home Society of Florida</b>                                        | Countywide                                                                                                                                                                                                            | Assistance to Emergency and Transitional Shelter       | Emergency Shelter                                 | ESG: \$12,239  |
| Description                                                                      | Provision of emergency shelter to 194 unduplicated runaway and homeless youth under age 18.                                                                                                                           |                                                        |                                                   |                |
| <b>Children's Case Management Inc. (dba Families First of Palm Beach County)</b> | Countywide                                                                                                                                                                                                            | Assistance to Emergency and Transitional Shelter       | Emergency Shelter                                 | ESG: \$3,240   |
| Description                                                                      | Provision of emergency shelter hotel/motel vouchers and case management to 33 unduplicated homeless families with children                                                                                            |                                                        |                                                   |                |
| <b>Children's Case Management Inc. (dba</b>                                      | Countywide                                                                                                                                                                                                            | Homeless Prevention                                    | Homeless Prevention                               | ESG: \$10,872  |

| Project Name                                          | Target Area                                                                                                                                                                                                | Goals Supported                                       | Needs Addressed         | Funding        |
|-------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|----------------|
| <b>Families First of Palm Beach County)</b>           |                                                                                                                                                                                                            |                                                       |                         |                |
| Description                                           | Provision of utility payments, housing stability case management and short and medium term rental assistance to 111 unduplicated individuals at risk of homelessness                                       |                                                       |                         |                |
| <b>Children's Place at Home Safe</b>                  | Countywide                                                                                                                                                                                                 | General Services for Homeless                         | Homeless Facilities     | CDBG: \$13,930 |
| Description                                           | Provision of emergency shelter and specialized and enhanced therapeutic care for 90 unduplicated abused and/or neglected children between the ages of 10-17 at five residential facilities                 |                                                       |                         |                |
| <b>Children's Place at Home Safe</b>                  | Countywide                                                                                                                                                                                                 | Assistance to Emergency and Transitional Shelter      | Emergency Shelter       | ESG: \$16,249  |
| Description                                           | Provision of residential housing to 110 unduplicated homeless abused and/or neglected children ages 10-17 at five residential facilities                                                                   |                                                       |                         |                |
| <b>Coalition for Independent Living Options, Inc.</b> | Countywide                                                                                                                                                                                                 | Provision of Services to Disabled Handicapped Persons | Handicapped Services    | CDBG: \$17,901 |
| Description                                           | Provision of delivered prepared meals, to 40 unduplicated disabled individuals and their families through the DINE Program.                                                                                |                                                       |                         |                |
| <b>Coalition for Independent Living Options, Inc.</b> | Countywide                                                                                                                                                                                                 | Homeless Prevention                                   | Homeless Prevention     | ESG: \$15,869  |
| Description                                           | Provide emergency financial assistance to 45 unduplicated persons with disabilities who are at risk of homelessness.                                                                                       |                                                       |                         |                |
| <b>Farmworkers Coordinating Council</b>               | Countywide                                                                                                                                                                                                 | Homeless Prevention                                   | Homeless Prevention     | ESG: \$3,880   |
| Description                                           | Provide emergency rental/utility payment assistance to 125 unduplicated individuals who are at risk of homelessness                                                                                        |                                                       |                         |                |
| <b>Healthy Mothers/Healthy Babies</b>                 | Countywide                                                                                                                                                                                                 | Provision of Health Services                          | Health Services         | CDBG: \$7,285  |
| Description                                           | Through its mobile outreach program, the agency provides assistance to 600 uninsured pregnant women and families to gain access to health care, prenatal care, food stamps, Medicaid, and cash assistance. |                                                       |                         |                |
| <b>Jesus and You Outreach Ministries, Inc.</b>        | Countywide                                                                                                                                                                                                 | General Services for Homeless                         | Emergency Shelters      | CDBG: \$9,281  |
| Description                                           | Provision of emergency shelter and transitional housing to 130 unduplicated homeless men with a history of substance abuse and/or men who are leaving incarceration.                                       |                                                       |                         |                |
| <b>Legal Aid Society of Palm Beach County</b>         | Countywide                                                                                                                                                                                                 | Provision of Fair Housing Services                    | Fair Housing Activities | CDBG: \$47,513 |
| Description                                           | The Fair Housing Project will represent 25 persons in discrimination cases who are victims of housing discrimination, predatory lending or are in foreclosure.                                             |                                                       |                         |                |
| <b>Place of Hope</b>                                  | Countywide                                                                                                                                                                                                 | Services for Abused and Neglected                     | Abused and Neglected    | CDBG: \$12,155 |

| Project Name                                     | Target Area                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | Goals Supported                                  | Needs Addressed            | Funding                         |
|--------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------------------|
|                                                  |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | Children                                         | Children Facilities        |                                 |
| Description                                      | Provision of family-style residential care to 44 unduplicated homeless abused and neglected children who are in custody of the State at its Residential Child Caring campus.                                                     |                                                  |                            |                                 |
| <b>Redlands Christian Migrant Association</b>    | Countywide                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | Provision of Child Care Services                 | Child Care Services        | CDBG: \$10,829                  |
| Description                                      | Provide comprehensive child development services for 100 unduplicated children of farm workers.                                                                                                                                  |                                                  |                            |                                 |
| <b>The Salvation Army</b>                        | Countywide                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | Assistance to Emergency and Transitional Shelter | Emergency Shelter          | ESG: \$44,456                   |
| Description                                      | Provide transitional housing to 120 unduplicated single homeless men.                                                                                                                                                            |                                                  |                            |                                 |
| <b>Seagull Industries for the Disabled, Inc.</b> | Countywide                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | Provision of Services to Disabled Persons        | Handicapped Services       | CDBG: \$24,309                  |
| Description                                      | Provision of vocational training for 110 unduplicated developmentally challenged adults at the agency's Achievement Center.                                                                                                      |                                                  |                            |                                 |
| <b>Sickle Cell Foundation</b>                    | Countywide                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | Provision of Health Services                     | Health Services            | CDBG: \$13,923                  |
| Description                                      | Through the Glades Project, provision of case management, education, counseling and referrals to medical and community partners for 46 unduplicated individuals and their families who possess the Sickle Cell Disease or trait. |                                                  |                            |                                 |
| <b>The Lord's Place – Recovery Center</b>        | Countywide                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | Assistance to Emergency and Transitional Shelter | Emergency Shelter          | ESG: \$20,367                   |
| Description                                      | Provide transitional housing to 75 unduplicated single homeless men. Funds will be used for shelter operations.                                                                                                                  |                                                  |                            |                                 |
| <b>The Lord's Place – Family Center</b>          | Countywide                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | Assistance to Emergency and Transitional Shelter | Emergency Shelter          | ESG: \$20,367                   |
| Description                                      | Provide transitional housing and support services to 105 unduplicated homeless families with children                                                                                                                            |                                                  |                            |                                 |
| <b>Urban League of Palm Beach County, The</b>    | Countywide                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | Provision of Housing Counseling Services         | Housing Related Counseling | CDBG: \$14,774                  |
| Description                                      | Provision of foreclosure mitigation counseling, homebuyer education classes, rental assistance, and financial literacy training through the agency's Comprehensive Housing Counseling Program to 1,275 unduplicated individuals. |                                                  |                            |                                 |
| <b>Vita Nova, Inc.</b>                           | Countywide                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | Assistance to Emergency and Transitional Shelter | Homeless Facilities        | CDBG: \$10,386<br>ESG: \$41,024 |
| Description                                      | Provision of transitional housing for 30 unduplicated youth ages 18-25 who have aged out of foster care.                                                                                                                         |                                                  |                            |                                 |
| <b>Vita Nova, Inc.</b>                           | Countywide                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | Homeless Prevention                              | Homeless Prevention        | ESG: \$8,849                    |
| Description                                      | Provision of Housing Stability case management to 100 unduplicated youth ages 18-25 who are at risk of                                                                                                                           |                                                  |                            |                                 |

| Project Name                                                                          | Target Area                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | Goals Supported                                  | Needs Addressed                   | Funding         |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------|
|                                                                                       | homelessness                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |                                                  |                                   |                 |
| <b>Young Women's Christian Association</b>                                            | Countywide                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | Assistance to Emergency and Transitional Shelter | Emergency Shelter                 | ESG: \$9,701    |
| Description                                                                           | Provision of emergency shelter to 576 unduplicated women who are victims of domestic violence                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |                                                  |                                   |                 |
| <b>PBC Water Utilities Department - Mangonia Park Sewer Phase 2</b>                   | Town of Mangonia Park                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | Improved Water and Sewer System                  | Water and Sewer Improvements      | CDBG: \$287,191 |
| Description                                                                           | Construction of new sanitary sewer improvements on Boardman Road and Crandon Avenue in the Town of Mangonia Park. Funds will come from the Town's entitlement of \$7,191 and County CDBG funds of \$280,000. Activity will benefit 1,294 persons.                                                                        |                                                  |                                   |                 |
| <b>PBC Engineering – 10<sup>th</sup> Avenue North Drainage</b>                        | City of Greenacres                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | Flood and Drainage Improvements                  | Flood and Drainage Improvements   | CDBG: \$344,000 |
| Description:                                                                          | Construction of drainage infrastructure in the alleyways between Perry and Martin Avenues, and between 10 <sup>th</sup> Avenue North and the L-10 Canal in the City of Greenacres. Activity will benefit 14,513 persons.                                                                                                 |                                                  |                                   |                 |
| <b>PBC Water Utilities Department - Lake Clarke Shores Sewer Phase 2</b>              | Seminole Manor Target Area                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | Improved Water and Sewer System                  | Water and Sewer Improvements      | CDBG: \$250,000 |
| Description                                                                           | Rehabilitation of sanitary sewer infrastructure in the unincorporated Seminole Manor neighborhood (lift stations #1 and #8) and relining of sewer lines in the Mar-a-Lago Cay mobile home park. Activity will benefit 4,832 persons                                                                                      |                                                  |                                   |                 |
| <b>PBC Water Utilities Department/City of Greenacres - Greenacres 10th Ave. Sewer</b> | City of Greenacres                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | Improved Water and Sewer System                  | Water and Sewer Improvements      | CDBG: \$589,231 |
| Description                                                                           | Construction of sanitary sewer improvements Phase 4 and Phase 5 on 10th Avenue North and cross-streets Martin, Perry, Jennings, and Fleming Avenues. Funding will come from \$89,231 of CDBG municipal entitlement funds to the City of Greenacres and County CDBG funds of \$500,000. Activity will benefit 89 persons. |                                                  |                                   |                 |
| <b>PBC OCR/Parks &amp; Recreation - Westgate Park</b>                                 | Westgate Target Area                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | Improved parks and recreational Facilities       | Parks and Recreational Facilities | CDBG: \$200,000 |
| Description                                                                           | Construction of improvements to Westgate Park and Recreation Center located at 3691 Oswego Avenue in the Westgate/Belvedere Homes CRA. The activity will benefit 4,147 persons.                                                                                                                                          |                                                  |                                   |                 |
| <b>DES Countywide Demolition and Clearance Program</b>                                | Countywide                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | Demolition and Clearance                         | Demolition and Clearance          | CDBG: \$100,000 |
| Description                                                                           | Demolition of residential and/or commercial structures that have been determined to be unsafe, dilapidated, or                                                                                                                                                                                                           |                                                  |                                   |                 |

| Project Name                                     | Target Area                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | Goals Supported                            | Needs Addressed                   | Funding         |
|--------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------|
|                                                  | condemned, for the purpose of eliminating slum and blight. Property owners' participation is voluntary and no fees are charged, or liens placed on the property. The activity will demolish 10 buildings.                                                                |                                            |                                   |                 |
| <b>DES Utility Connection Assistance Program</b> | Countywide                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | Affordability of Affordable Owner Housing  |                                   | CDBG: \$35,000  |
| Description                                      | Provision of funding to low/moderate income households for the connection of public water and sanitary sewer hookup.                                                                                                                                                     |                                            |                                   |                 |
| <b>City of Belle Glade</b>                       | City of Belle Glade                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | Code Enforcement                           | Code enforcement                  | CDBG: \$135,071 |
| Description                                      | Code Enforcement activities including citizen outreach, performing on site inspections to ensure code compliance, issuing citations and resolving zoning offenses. The activity will benefit 14,874 persons.                                                             |                                            |                                   |                 |
| <b>City of Greenacres</b>                        | City of Greenacres                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | Improved Parks and Recreational Facilities | Parks and Recreational Facilities | CDBG: \$322,291 |
| Description                                      | Renovation of the City's 'Community Hall' at 501 Martin Avenue and 500 Perry Avenue buildings located within the original section of the City in order to improve the building's functionality, durability, and safety. The activity will benefit 120 persons.           |                                            |                                   |                 |
| <b>Lake Worth, City of</b>                       | City of Lake Worth                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | Street and Sidewalk Improvements           | Street and Sidewalk Improvements  | CDBG: \$212,396 |
| Description                                      | Infrastructure improvements along 9th Avenue South between B Street South and F Street South to install 1,100 linear feet of concrete sidewalk and landscaping along the ROW to create a pedestrian pathway for area residents. The activity will benefit 7,406 persons. |                                            |                                   |                 |
| <b>Pahokee, City of</b>                          | City of Pahokee                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | Code Enforcement                           | Code Enforcement                  | CDBG: \$48,132  |
| Description                                      | Code enforcement activities including reviewing code violations, corresponding with code violators, hearings before a Special Master, and addressing public complaints regarding citations. The activity will benefit 5,985 persons.                                     |                                            |                                   |                 |
| <b>Riviera Beach, City of</b>                    | City of Riviera Beach                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | Street and Sidewalk Improvements           | Street and Sidewalk Improvements  | CDBG: \$188,761 |
| Description                                      | Reconstruction of 37 <sup>th</sup> Street between Avenues J and K. This activity includes installation of drainage pipes and inlet structures, concrete sidewalks, base rock, asphaltic surface, striping and signage. The activity will benefit 1,009 persons.          |                                            |                                   |                 |
| <b>South Bay, City of</b>                        | City of South Bay                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | Code Enforcement                           | Code Enforcement                  | CDBG: \$28,450  |

| Project Name                                                    | Target Area                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | Goals Supported                            | Needs Addressed                 | Funding           |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|---------------------------------|-------------------|
|                                                                 | Bay                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |                                            |                                 |                   |
| Description                                                     | Code enforcement activities to include identifying violations that reflect urgent concern for residents; providing assistance in seeking corrective measures; and determining compliance with existing state, county, and local codes. The activity will benefit 4,876 persons.                                             |                                            |                                 |                   |
| <b>Senator Phillip D. Lewis Center for Homeless Individuals</b> | Countywide                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | General Services for Homeless              | Homeless Facilities             | CDBG: \$662,873   |
| Description                                                     | Operational costs of the Senator Philip D. Lewis Center for Homeless Individuals. Services to be provided through Gulfstream Goodwill Industries, Adopt-A-Family of Palm Beach County, and the Lord's Place, Inc. PBC Department of Community Services is the implementing agency. The activity will benefit 7,200 persons. |                                            |                                 |                   |
| <b>City of Lake Park</b>                                        | Town of Lake Park                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | Flood and Drainage Improvements            | Flood and Drainage Improvements | CDBG: \$40,650    |
| Description                                                     | Installation of storm water pipes along a portion of Lakeshore Drive between Date Palm Drive and Castlewood Drive to improve storm water outfall into the Intracoastal Waterway. The activity will benefit 8,155 persons.                                                                                                   |                                            |                                 |                   |
| <b>HOME Rental Development Program</b>                          | Countywide                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | Affordable Rental Housing                  | Rental Housing                  | HOME: \$1,128,290 |
| Description                                                     | Loan assistance to developers to create permanent rental housing through the acquisition/construction of new rental housing on vacant property, or the acquisition/rehabilitation of existing property for use as rental housing                                                                                            |                                            |                                 |                   |
| <b>HOME CHDO Administered Activities</b>                        | Countywide                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | Availability of Affordable Homeowner Units | Owner Housing                   | HOME: \$241,777   |
| Description                                                     | 15% of the total HOME Program allocation is set-aside to be used for the development and rehabilitation of multifamily rental housing and existing single family housing for first time homebuyers.                                                                                                                         |                                            |                                 |                   |
| <b>HOME CHDO Operating Expenses</b>                             | Countywide                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |                                            | Planning/Administration         | HOME: \$80,592    |
| Description                                                     | 5% of the total HOME Program allocation is set-aside for operating expenses of CHDOs, which will be used to administer HOME funded activities                                                                                                                                                                               |                                            |                                 |                   |
| <b>HOME Program Administration and Planning</b>                 | Countywide                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |                                            | Planning/Administration         | HOME: \$161,184   |
| Description                                                     | 10% of the total HOME Program allocation is set-aside for eligible administrative costs incurred during the implementation of the HOME Program.                                                                                                                                                                             |                                            |                                 |                   |
| <b>DES Economic Development Services</b>                        | Countywide                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | Provision of Economic Development Services | Economic Development Services   | CDBG: \$401,376   |
| Description                                                     | Provide economic development services to businesses in Palm Beach County. The activity is designed to create 12 FTE jobs.                                                                                                                                                                                                   |                                            |                                 |                   |

| Project Name                                            | Target Area                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | Goals Supported                              | Needs Addressed                 | Funding           |
|---------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------|---------------------------------|-------------------|
| <b>DES Micro-Loan Program</b>                           | Countywide                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | Operation of a Micro-Loan Program            | Micro-Business Assistance       | CDBG: \$100,000   |
| Description                                             | Provide loans to for-profit small or micro-businesses that do not have access to available credit. The activity is expected to create 6 FTE jobs.                                                                                                                                                             |                                              |                                 |                   |
| <b>Center for Technology Enterprise and Development</b> | Countywide                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | Provision of Economic Development Assistance | Economic Development Assistance | CDBG: \$151,000   |
| Description                                             | The Center for Technology Enterprise and Development Services is a non-profit countywide business incubator that provides technical assistance and services to microenterprises and established small businesses. The activity will help create 11 FTE Jobs.                                                  |                                              |                                 |                   |
| <b>Enterprise Development Corporation</b>               | Countywide                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | Provision of Economic Development Assistance | Economic Development Assistance | CDBG: \$51,000    |
| Description                                             | Enterprise Development Corporation is a non-profit high tech countywide business incubator, provides technical assistance and services to high tech microenterprises and established small businesses. Most all EDC clients are located within the incubator walls. The activity will help create 4 FTE jobs. |                                              |                                 |                   |
| <b>Center for Enterprise Opportunity</b>                | Countywide                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | Provision of Economic Development Assistance | Economic Development Assistance | CDBG: \$80,000    |
| Description                                             | Center for Enterprise Opportunity is a community development financial institution (CDFI) that provides microloans to microenterprises and established small businesses. The activity will help create 6 FTE jobs.                                                                                            |                                              |                                 |                   |
| <b>DES Program Administration</b>                       |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |                                              | Planning/Administration         | CDBG: \$1,178,343 |
| Description                                             | Includes general, fiscal, and planning administrative expenses incurred by DES in performing planning, coordinating, and monitoring of the CDBG and ESG Programs.                                                                                                                                             |                                              |                                 |                   |
| <b>DES Project Implementation</b>                       |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |                                              |                                 | CDBG: \$290,493   |
| Description                                             | Includes activity delivery costs in implementing DES's housing related activities and capital improvement projects. Accomplishments under this activity will be reported under DES's Countywide Demolition Program, and CDBG capital improvement activities.                                                  |                                              |                                 |                   |
| <b>ESG Program Administration</b>                       | Countywide                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |                                              | Planning/Administration         | ESG: \$29,511     |
|                                                         | 7.5% of the ESG program is set aside for eligible planning and administrative costs.                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |                                              |                                 |                   |

**Table 8 – Project Summary**

**Describe the reasons for allocation priorities and any obstacles to addressing underserved needs**

Palm Beach County's Five Year Consolidated Plan outlines the methodology through which CDBG funding is allocated geographically. Under the methodology, funding is targeted to identified CDBG target areas where the greatest community development needs exist and which have the greatest concentration of low and moderate income persons in the County. Additionally, in terms of types of activities funded, priority is established in the Five Year Plan through responses received from citizens, organizations, County departments, and municipalities who were surveyed during the preparation of the Plan. Which activities are funded annually is dependent on the receipt of applications for activities, the amount of funding available and how the specific activity for which funding is being requested coincides with the priorities set by the Five Year Plan. Often, addressing underserved needs to the extent required is prohibited due to inadequate resources available to fund identified needs.

Under the ESG Program, allocation priorities were set by the County's Homeless and Housing Alliance (Continuum of Care) as follows: Emergency Shelter, Homeless Prevention and Rapid Re-housing. These priorities were established due to the identified needs in the community and more specifically to support the Homeless Resource Center.



## AP-50 Geographic Distribution

### Description of the geographic areas of the entitlement (including areas of low-income and minority concentration) where assistance will be directed

For FY 2013-2014, Palm Beach County plans to utilize CDBG funds in ten (10) target areas that were previously identified in the Five Year Consolidated Plan as CDBG Target Areas. These are located throughout the jurisdiction in municipal and unincorporated areas of the County. Eight (8) of the areas are within municipal boundaries and two of the areas are within unincorporated Palm Beach County. The identified targets are characterized by high concentrations of low and moderate income persons, high concentrations of substandard housing and a need for capital improvements

#### Geographic Distribution

| Target Area                | Percentage of Funds |
|----------------------------|---------------------|
| RIVIERA BEACH, CITY OF     | 2.2%                |
| SOUTH BAY, CITY OF         | .04%                |
| WESTGATE TARGET AREA       | 3.3%                |
| LAKE WORTH, CITY OF        | 3.5%                |
| BELLE GLADE, CITY OF       | 2.2%                |
| GREENACRES, CITY OF        | 15.7%               |
| LAKE PARK, TOWN OF         | .06%                |
| MANGONIA PARK, TOWN OF     | 4.8%                |
| PAHOKEE, CITY OF           | .08%                |
| SEMINOLE MANOR TARGET AREA | .4%                 |

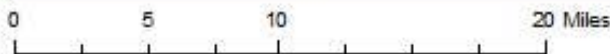
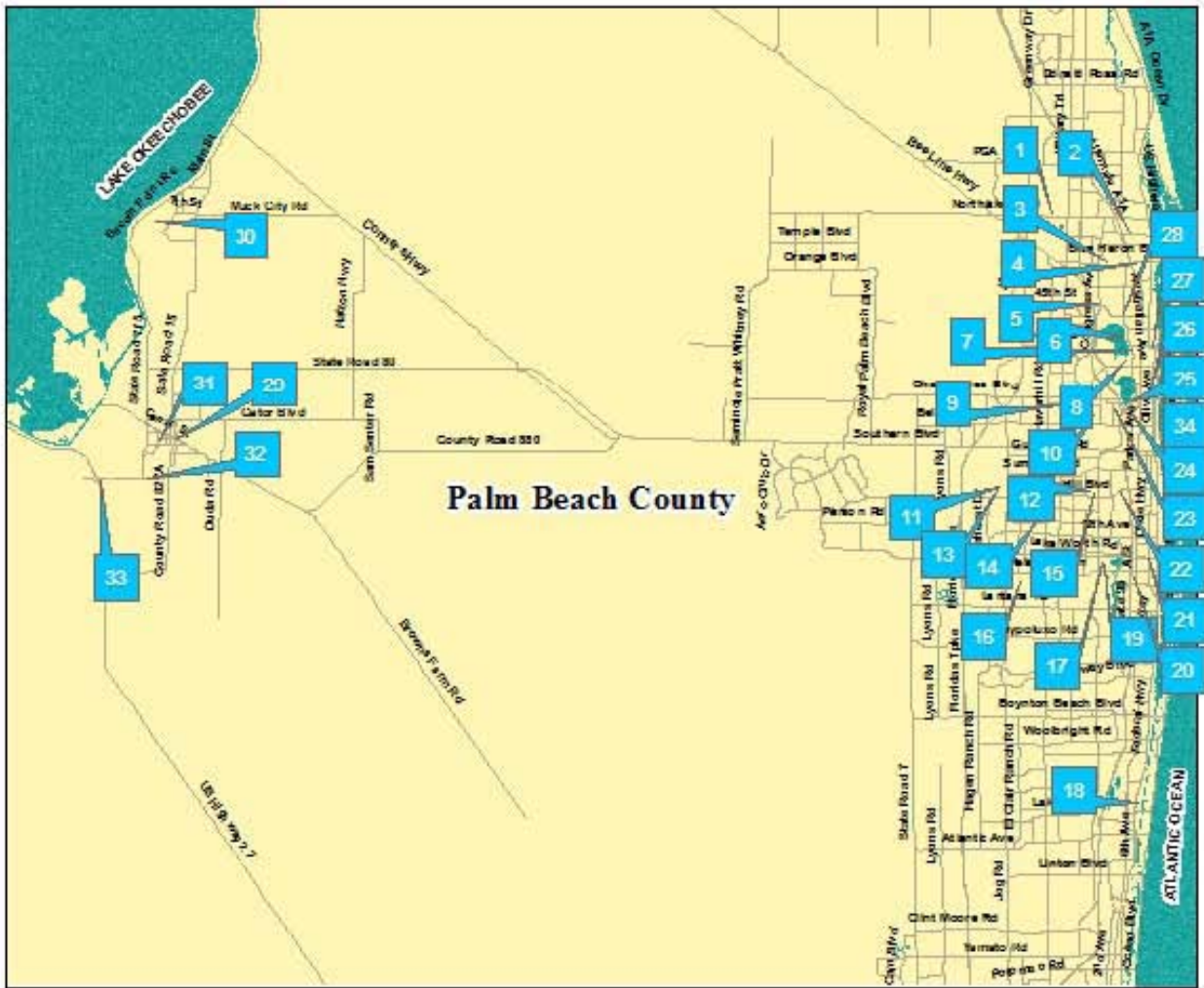
**Table 9 - Geographic Distribution**

In this section, maps are attached showing the following: Activity locations, areas of low-income, areas of minority concentration, and the ten (10) CDBG target areas.

#### Rationale for the priorities for allocating investments geographically

The allocation of investments by geographic areas in Palm Beach County is influenced by various factors, such as program requirements, location of established target areas, County-initiated projects, and municipal priorities. To address these and other factors, Palm Beach County established a methodology which: maximizes the number of low and moderate income persons and households assisted; expends funds where they are most needed; and ensures the fair and equitable distribution of funds between the incorporated and unincorporated areas of the County. Under this methodology, target areas were established in those municipal and unincorporated areas of the County which have a high concentration of low and moderate income persons. Target areas also exhibit high concentrations of substandard housing and a need for capital improvements. Since the CDBG Program requires that at least 70% of the funds benefit low and moderate income persons, preference is given to funding projects located in target areas. Additionally, the public participation process which is undertaken when developing the Five Year Consolidated Plan and the Annual Action Plan helps to guide the decision on where to invest funds geographically.

# Palm Beach County CDBG & ESG Activities

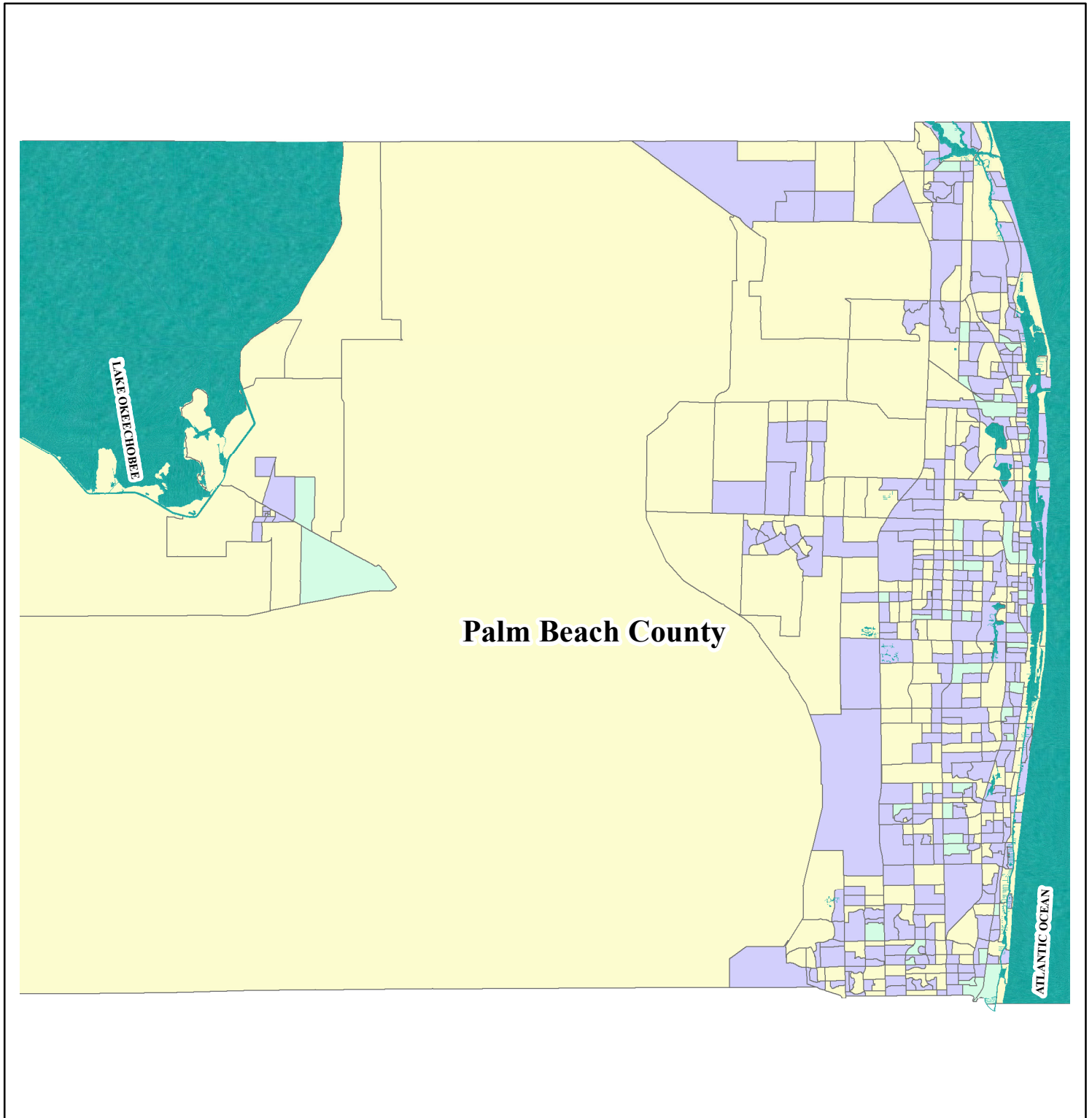


CDBG/ESG Activity

Major Roads

- |                                                     |                                               |                                                   |
|-----------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------|
| 1. Place of Hope (CDBG)                             | 16. City of Greenacres                        | 31. City of Belle Glade                           |
| 2. Town of Lake Park                                | 17. Children's Place at HomeSole (CDBG)       | 32. Redlands Christian Migrant Association (CDBG) |
| 3. Jesus and You Outreach Ministries (CDBG)         | 18. Healthy Mothers Healthy Babies (CDBG)     | 33. City of South Bay                             |
| 4. City of Riviera Beach                            | 19. Children's Place at HomeSole (ESG)        | 34. Legal Aid Society (CDBG)                      |
| 5. Town of Mangonia Park                            | 20. Adopt A Family (ESG)                      |                                                   |
| 6. The Lord's Place (ESG)                           | 21. City of Lake Worth                        |                                                   |
| 7. The Urban League (CDBG)                          | 22. PBC WUD Lake Clarke Shores                |                                                   |
| 8. The Urban League (ESG)                           | 23. YMCA (ESG)                                |                                                   |
| 9. The Salvation Army (ESG)                         | 24. Via Nova (ESG)                            |                                                   |
| 10. PBC CORP/Parish Westgate                        | 25. Via Nova (CDBG)                           |                                                   |
| 11. Coalition for Independent Living Options (ESG)  | 26. Sequel Industries for the Disabled (CDBG) |                                                   |
| 12. Children's Home Society (CDBG)                  | 27. Center for Family Services (ESG)          |                                                   |
| 13. Coalition for Independent Living Options (CDBG) | 28. PBC WUD Mangonia Park                     |                                                   |
| 14. PBC WUD Greenacres                              | 29. Soke Cell Foundation                      |                                                   |
| 15. Children's Case Management Organization (ESG)   | 30. City of Patchee                           |                                                   |

# Palm Beach County Low-Moderate Income Map



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## Low/Mod Pct

Bodies of Water

0-30% LMI

31-50% LMI

51-100% LMI

## PALM BEACH COUNTY MINORITY CONCENTRATIONS (per 2010 Census)

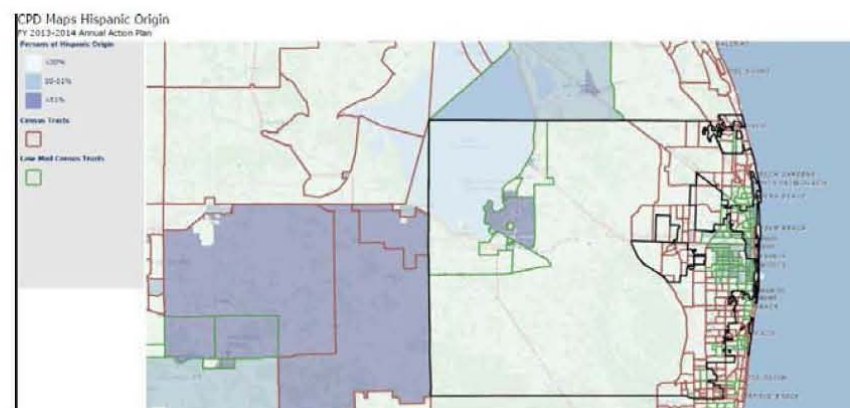
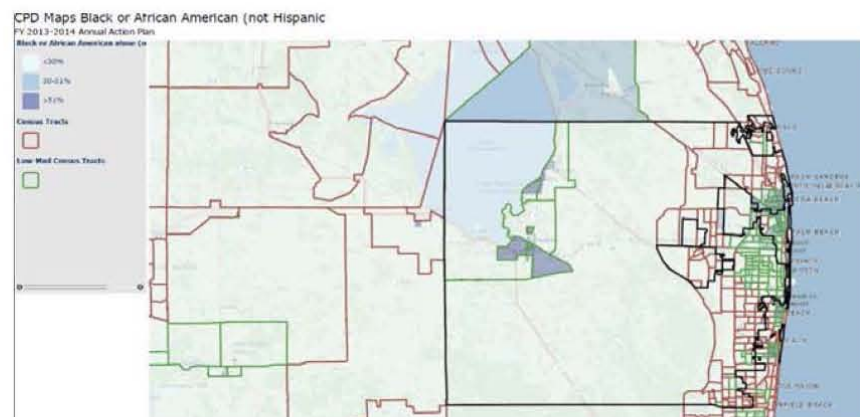
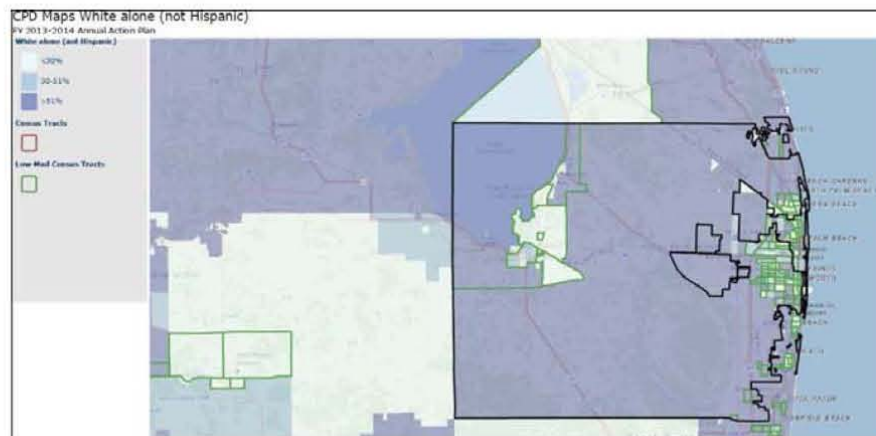
Total population: 1,320,134

White - 993,361 (75.2%)

Black or African American – 241,177 (18.3%)

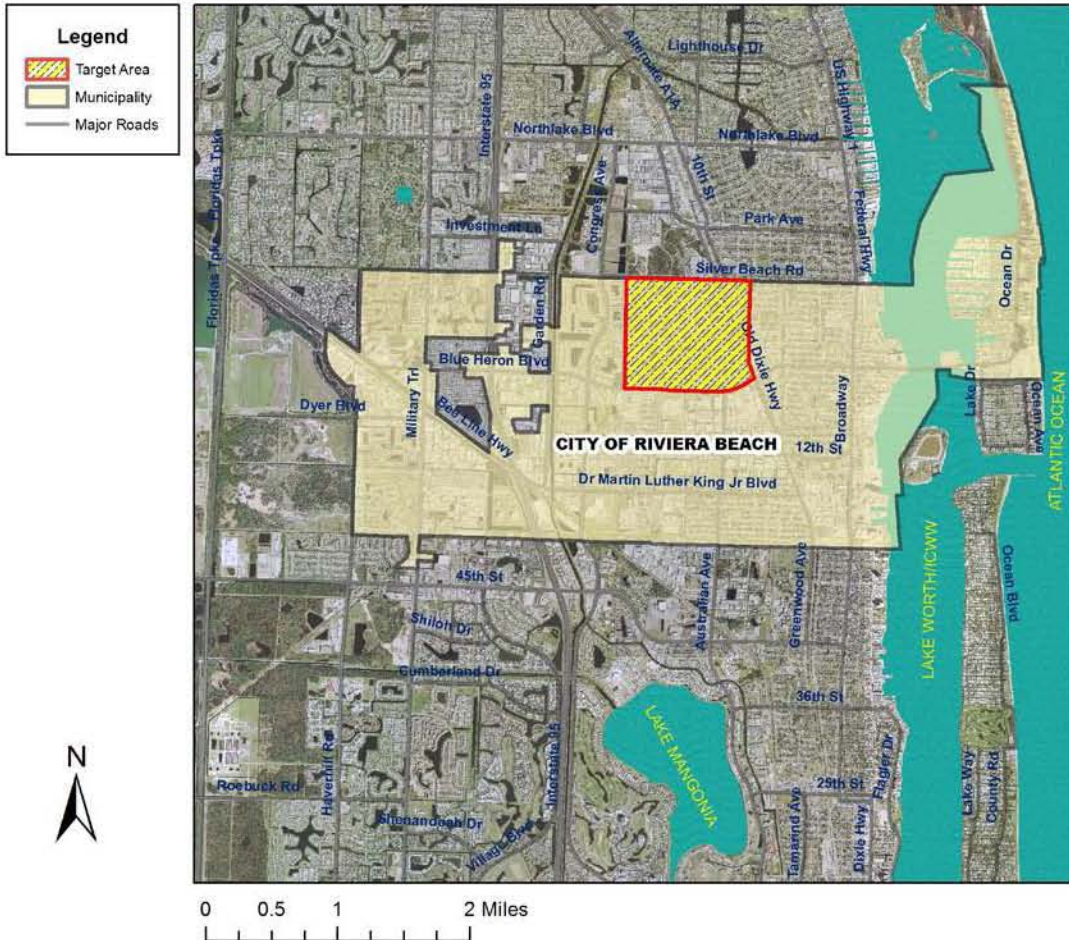
Other races, including Pacific Islander, Native American and Asian – 85,596 (6.5%)

Hispanic – 250,823 (19.0%)

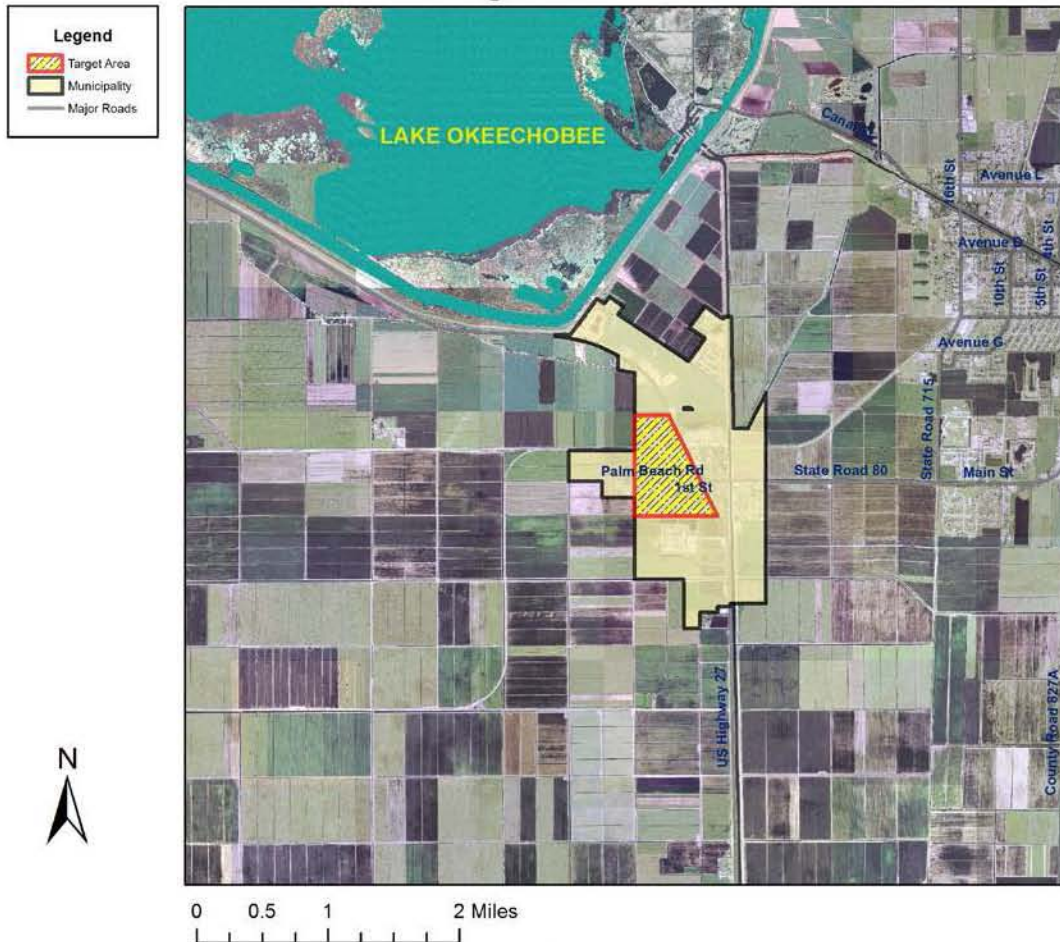




# City of Riviera Beach Target Area

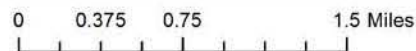
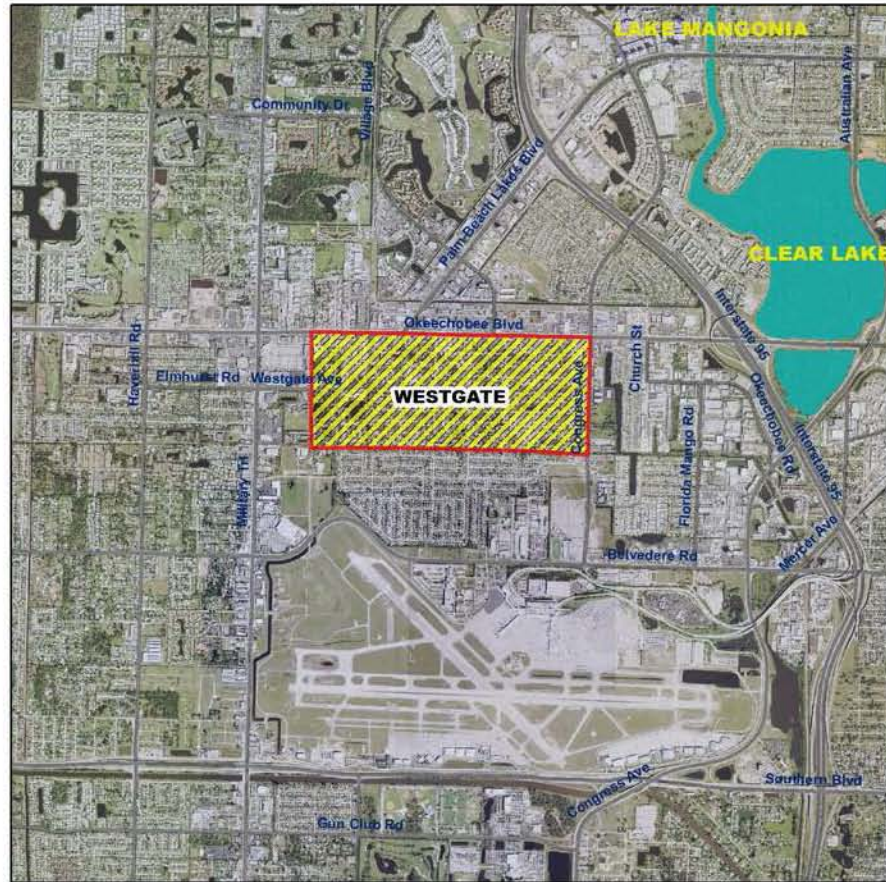


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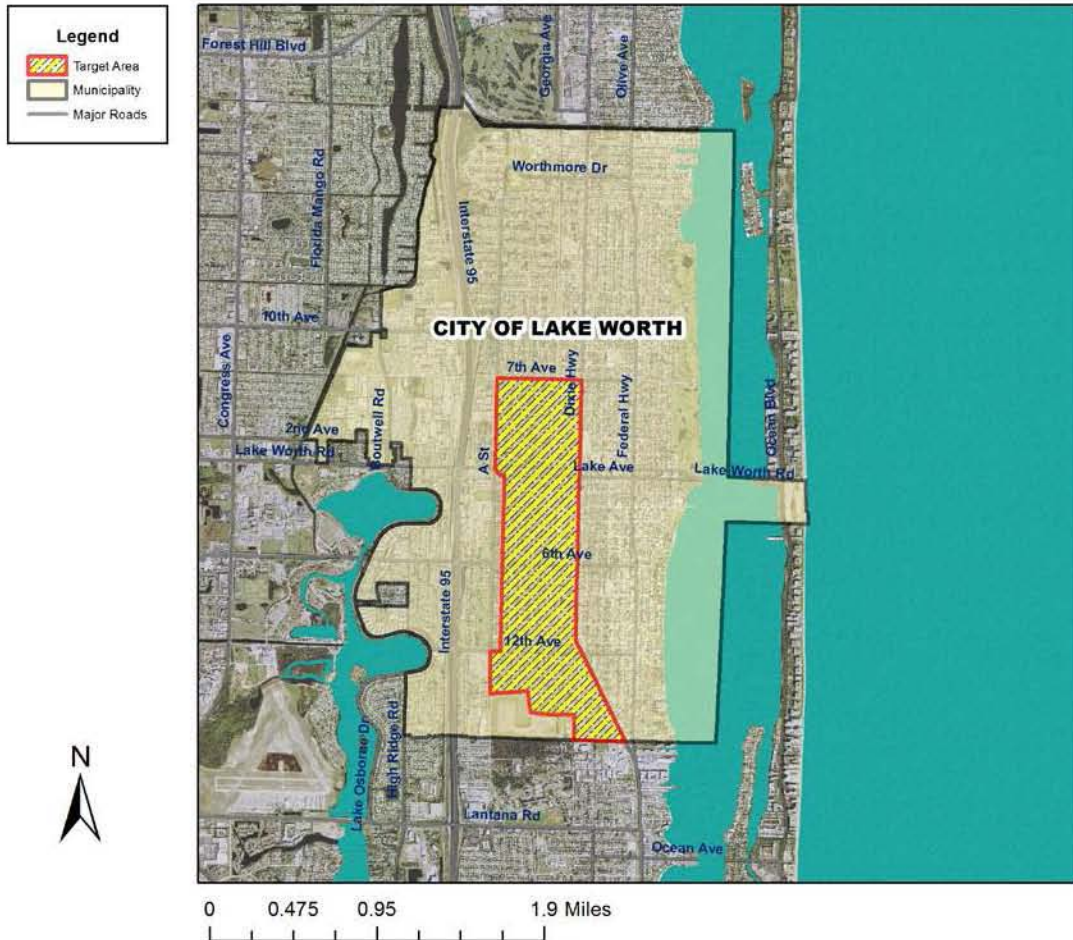




# Westgate Target Area



# City of Lake Worth Target Area

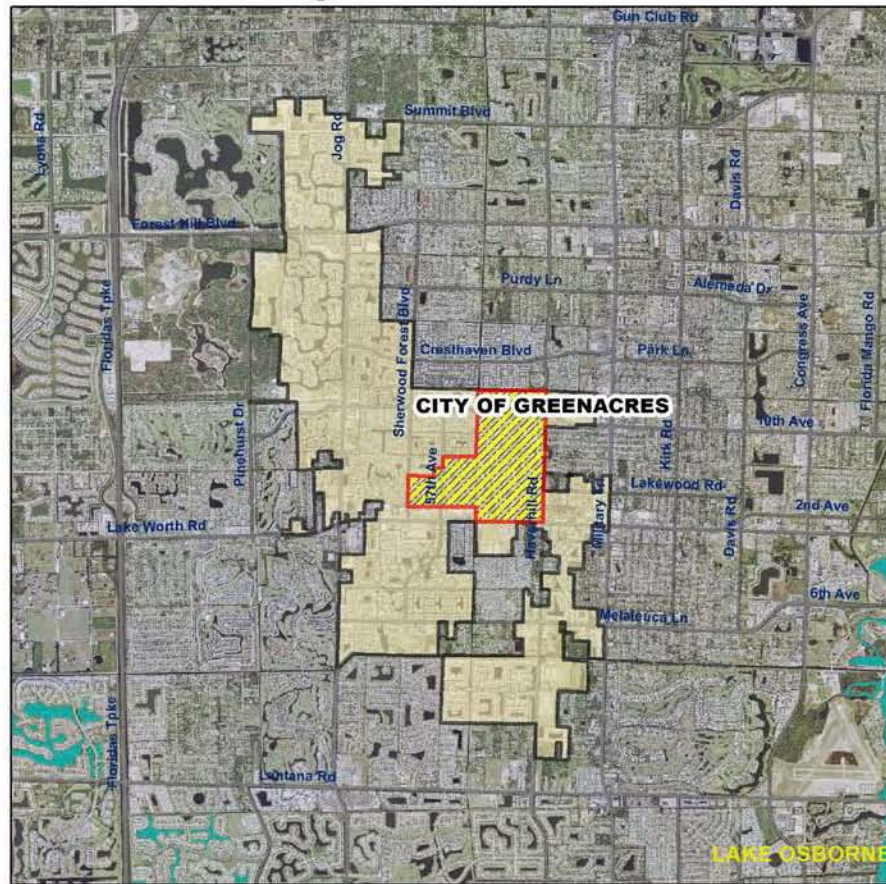




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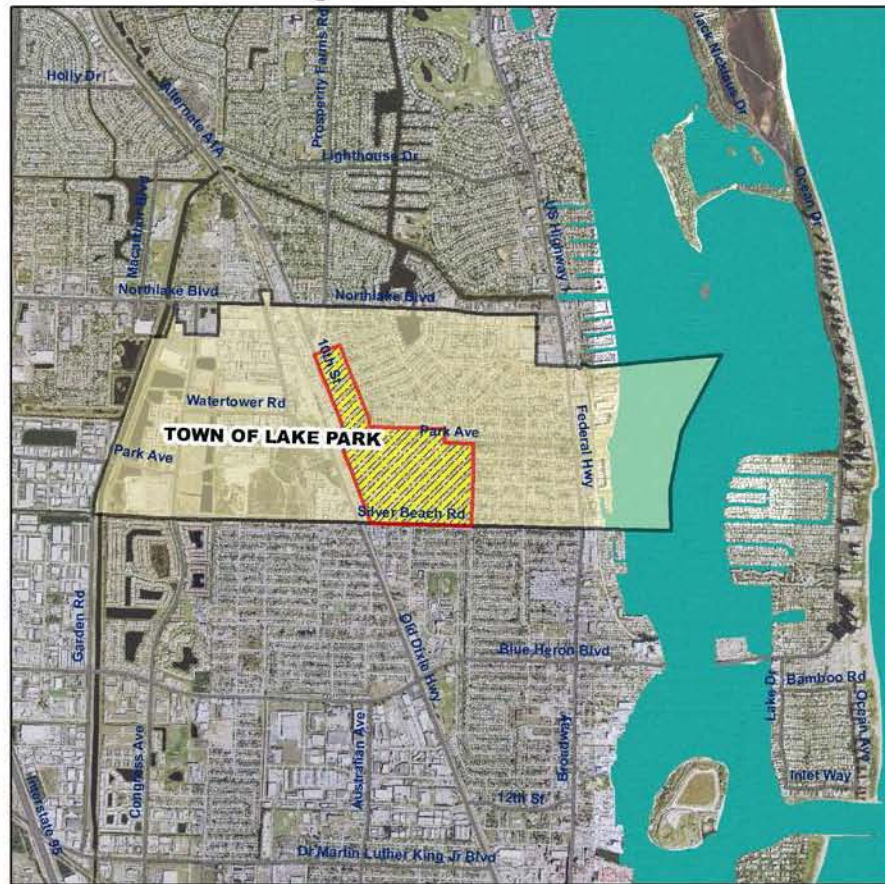


# City of Greenacres Target Area





# Town of Lake Park Target Area

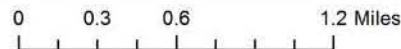
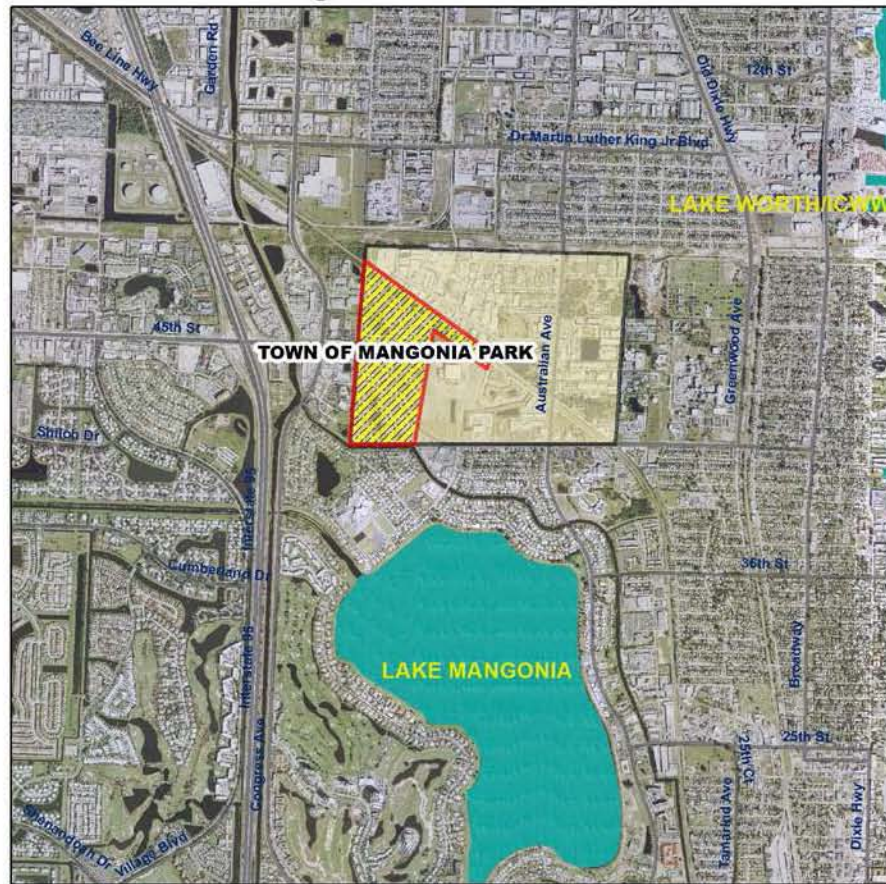


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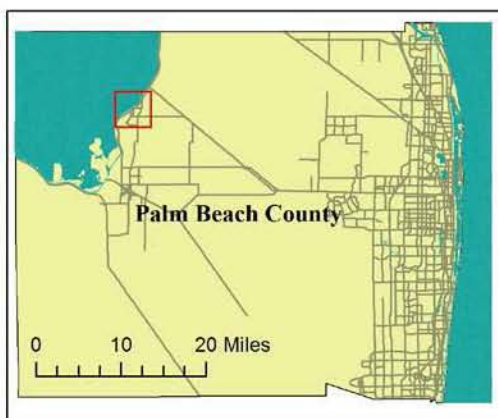
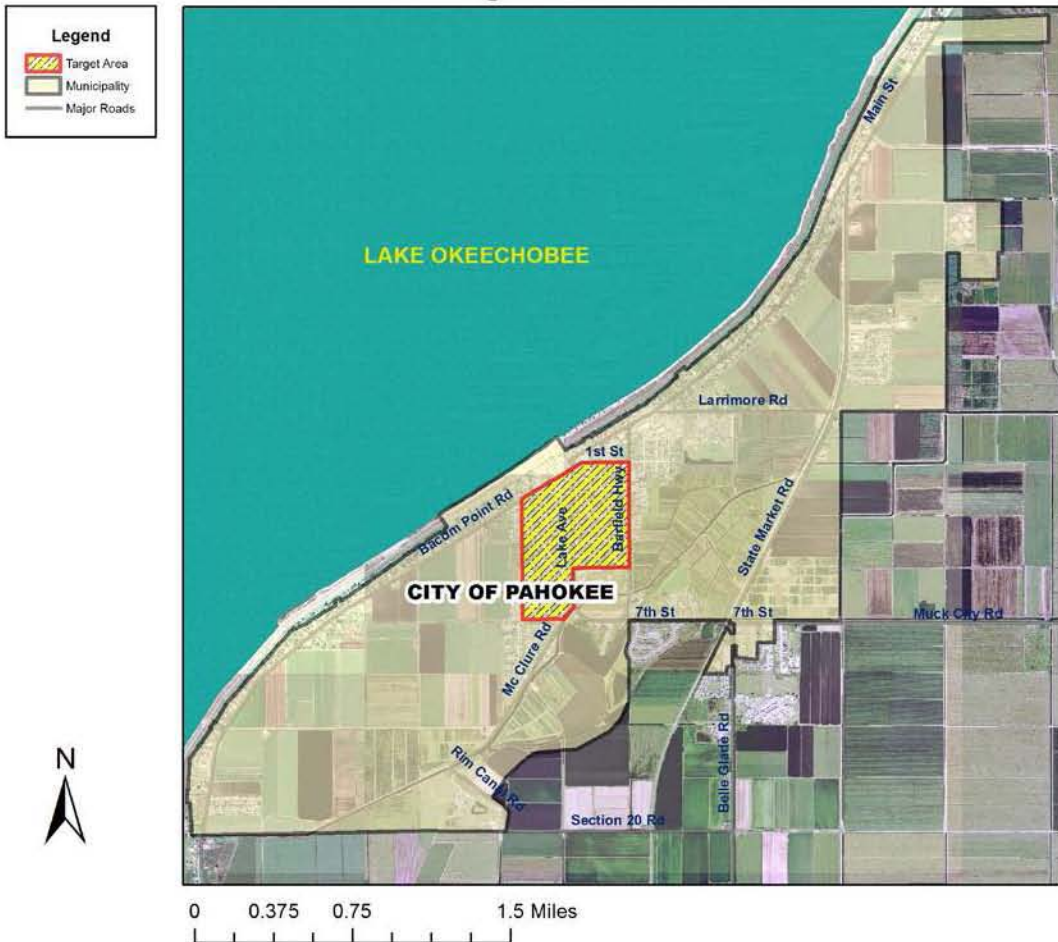




# Town of Mangonia Park Target Area

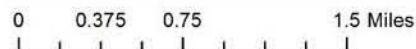
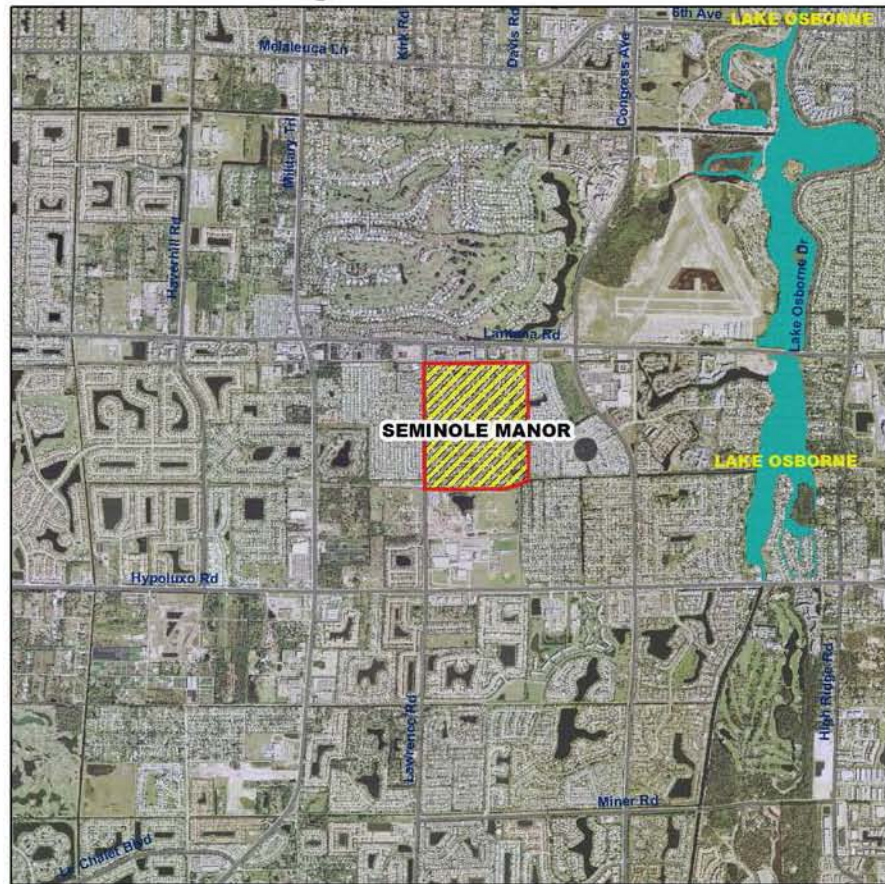


# City of Pahokee Target Area





# Seminole Manor Target Area





## AP-55 Affordable Housing

### Introduction

The County's five year goals aim to expand the supply of affordable housing, improve the quality of housing, and increase access to affordable housing to meet the needs of very-low, low-, and moderate-income renter, owner, and special needs households. To this end, the FY 2013-2014 Action Plan will see the implementation of activities which will not only expand and improve the inventory of affordable housing but will also establish a framework for the creation of more units. A total of 755 affordable housing units are proposed to be directly affected by resources invested from the HOME, DRI, NSP3 and ESG programs. Thirty-eight (38) of the units will be owner units and 717 will be rentals (see tables below for more details). In addition, funding allocated under the CDBG program for code enforcement in the Glades Region, demolition of unsafe structures, and construction/rehabilitation of infrastructure projects will, among other things, serve as a catalyst for the preservation and development of affordable housing.

| One Year Goals for the Number of Households to be Supported |     |
|-------------------------------------------------------------|-----|
| Homeless                                                    | 511 |
| Non-Homeless                                                | 199 |
| Special-Needs                                               | 45  |
| Total                                                       | 755 |

**Table 10 - One Year Goals for Affordable Housing by Support Requirement**

| One Year Goals for the Number of Households Supported Through |     |
|---------------------------------------------------------------|-----|
| Rental Assistance                                             | 556 |
| The Production of New Units                                   | 21  |
| Rehab of Existing Units                                       | 111 |
| Acquisition of Existing Units                                 | 67  |
| Total                                                         | 755 |

**Table 11 - One Year Goals for Affordable Housing by Support Type**

### Discussion

It should be noted that DES plans to utilize other funding apart from HUD Community Development Program funds to meet its affordable housing goals. These include CDBG Disaster Recovery Initiative, Neighborhood Stabilization Program, and State Housing Initiative Partnership Programs. The Five Year Consolidated Plan envisioned that a total of 1,927 affordable housing units would be produced over the 5 year period (2010-2015). This fiscal year (2013-2014) will represent the fourth year of the five year period. The number of affordable housing units to be assisted during the year (755), when added to the accomplishments of the past three years, will result in the the County exceeding its five year plan goal by approximately 621 units.

## **AP-60 Public Housing**

### **Introduction**

Palm Beach County has four (4) housing authorities operating public housing units within its Urban County Program jurisdiction. These are: Riviera Beach Housing Authority (RBHA), Belle Glade Housing Authority (BGHA), Palm Beach County Housing Authority (PBCHA), and Pahokee Housing Authority (PHA). Together these four entities operate a total of 1,986 Housing Units and manage 2,001 vouchers.

### **Actions planned during the next year to address the needs to public housing**

In order to address the needs of public housing residents each housing authority plans to implement the strategies listed below in FY 2013-2014:

**Actions Planned by the Riviera Beach Housing Authority (RBHA):** The RBHA has identified the development of Heron Estates (the former Ivy Green Village) as the major action to be undertaken during the year. The RBHA Board will focus on strategies related to the redevelopment of the site, which is the only land of this magnitude that is designated for public housing use in the City of Riviera Beach.

**Actions Planned by the Belle Glade Housing Authority (BGHA):** BGHA continues to house and support the Redlands Christian Migrant Association which operates a Day Care Center in the Okeechobee Center for its tenants. Space will also be provided to the Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office (PBSO) to oversee "The First Tee of the Glades" Project, which teaches kids the game of golf and provides computers, televisions, etc. for after school programs. BGHA will continue to work with the Police Athletic League which sponsors football and basketball teams for children of tenants. This program also promotes the establishment of local partnerships necessary to provide supportive services and empowerment activities for low income families.

**Actions Planned by the Palm Beach County Housing Authority (PBCHA):** PBCHA will continue to collaborate with the PBSO to help combat crime in public housing by providing office space in its housing developments to PBSO's Community Policing Unit. PBCHA will also continue to implement the Family Self-Sufficiency (FSS) Program which includes case management of clients.

**Actions Planned by the Pahokee Housing Authority (PHA):** PHA will continue to administer the Lakeside Rental Housing program, which is organized to purchase abandoned/foreclosed properties to expand housing opportunities to low income families. PHA is also rebuilding eleven (11) and demolishing six (6) public housing units at McClure Village that were severely damaged by Hurricane Wilma in 2005. The Singletary Gardens (the former L.L. Stuckey Homes site), is being redeveloped as a mixed income community, to include single and multifamily units, and will provide housing for elderly and disabled families. PHA will improve the quality of assisted housing by substantially rehabilitating its existing housing stock and will utilize Capital Fund Program resources, as appropriate, and other financial resources, to address this goal. A HUD approved Capital Fund Emergency Safety and Security Program grant of \$250,000 will be used to support safety and security measures at the Fremd Village location to enable control of unwanted guests and drug trafficking. PHA will provide comprehensive services to residents, through cooperation with various agencies to enable them to attain self-sufficiency and economic independence. Finally, PHA contracts with the City of Pahokee's Recreation Department to provide an Afterschool Program to fifty (50) middle school aged youths.

## **Actions to encourage public housing residents to become more involved in management and participate in homeownership**

The public housing authorities plan to undertake the following actions:

### **Belle Glade Housing Authority (BGHA):**

- BGHA is funded by USDA, therefore there are no requirements to undertake any specific action to address this issue.

### **Palm Beach County Housing Authority (PBCHA):**

- As part of the PBCHA's annual budget, there is a set-aside of \$25.00 per household to help establish and fund Resident Councils at five (5) of the authority's locations. There are presently two (2) active Resident Council Organizations that are chartered at Drexel House and South Bay (Marshall Heights). There will be start-up elections this year at Seminole and Schall Circle.
- The PBCHA has a computer learning center at its Drexel Apartment location. A computer program has been established at Schall Circle, Dyson Circle and Seminole Manor.

### **Pahokee Housing Authority:**

- PHA continues to encourage residents' involvement through participation in Board Meetings, tenant meetings, empowerment trainings and policy development.
- PHA has an active Residents Advisory Board, which is comprised of residents from each housing program (Public Housing and Section 8 HCV). These individuals are involved in setting goals and objectives, during PHA's Agency/Annual Plan planning process.
- PHA has an active Tenants Association, which is comprised of residents from each housing development. Members of the Tenants Association attend monthly PHA Board of Commissioners meetings and provide input on agency management issues.
- PHA will continue to hold scheduled meetings with residents to provide policy training and to solicit input with respect to management initiatives.
- PHA will continue to collaborate with agencies to provide homebuyers workshops and training. The training/workshops will include: budgeting, credit counseling, and improvement of social structure through family strengthening, how to maintain a home after purchase, etc. This will create a strong social environment for homeowners and their children.
- PHA continues to refer residents to the Prosperity Center for homeownership assistance. This program provides homebuyer education and matching funds to residents as they set aside monies towards purchasing a home.
- PHA has a full-time Resident Services Coordinator on staff who will focus on initiatives that would promote residents self-sufficiency, including becoming homeowners.
- PHA continues to identify abandoned and/or foreclosed properties for sale. PHA will purchase such properties and renovate them to rent and/or eventually sell to low income families.
- PHA strongly encourages Section 3 participation among contractors who receive federally funded

contracts. This program has proven to be successful in providing employment and skill-building opportunities to PHA residents and local communities.

- PHA will continue to administer the Family Self-Sufficiency (FSS) and Residents Opportunities & Self-Sufficiency (ROSS) Programs to assist Public Housing Residents and Housing Choice Voucher Program participants to connect to supportive services and empowerment activities for low income families.

**If the PHA is designated as troubled, describe the manner in which financial assistance will be provided or other assistance**

None of the four (4) Housing Authorities operating within the Palm Beach County Urban County Program jurisdiction has been designated a troubled Housing Authority.

## **AP-65 Homeless and Other Special Needs Activities**

### **Introduction**

Palm Beach County is dedicated to improving the housing opportunities of all its residents including the homeless population and those threatened with homelessness. Governments and non-profit agencies, including religious organizations, will continue to provide the facilities and services to meet the immediate needs of homeless individuals and families and help prevent individuals and families from becoming homeless. In its Five Year Consolidated Plan, Palm Beach County has stated that the funds that are reasonably expected to be made available for homeless programs will be utilized to assist homeless persons to obtain appropriate housing, to assist persons at risk of becoming homeless and to assist in the implementation of the Ten Year Plan to End Homelessness in Palm Beach County.

**Describe the jurisdictions one-year goals and actions for reducing and ending homelessness including:**

**Reaching out to homeless persons (especially unsheltered persons) and assessing their individual needs**

Palm Beach County, along with its partners, will utilize many avenues to provide outreach and education to the homeless population, including those persons who are classified as unsheltered. A universal intake and assessment tool that was developed by the Homeless and Housing Alliance to streamline the initial assessment process is currently being used during outreach. The following actions will be taken by the County and its partners to contact and educate the homeless population and to assess their immediate needs:

- The Senator Phillip J. Lewis Center (Lewis Center), a 60 bed emergency facility, will continue to serve as the main point of access for homeless services in Central Palm Beach County as well as the key source of data collection. From this facility, a universal intake and assessment process is made available to Palm Beach County's homeless adults and families on a 24 hour basis, 365 days a year. Homeless individuals will continue to be referred to the Lewis Center from community navigation points where initial screenings for appropriate referrals take place.
- The Homeless Coalition will continue to coordinate the Homeless Project Connects events throughout the County during FY 2013-2014. These events allow the homeless population to receive free haircuts, toiletries, groceries, bicycles, clothing and other related items. Homeless persons will also be provided with an opportunity to obtain an identification card at some of these events.
- The County Sheriff's Department as well as other local law enforcement agencies will continue to use the Universal Law Enforcement Protocol that was adopted by the Palm Beach County Law Enforcement Planning Council. This document outlines a series of recommended procedures and best practices to be followed by law enforcement during encounters with homeless individuals and families.
- Palm Beach County's Homeless Outreach Team (HOT) will continue to conduct personal interviews with homeless persons in an effort to determine what programs and services are most needed by the homeless population. The HOT Team will travel to various locations within Palm Beach County where homeless people are known to congregate to conduct on-site assessments.
- The County will observe National Hunger and Homelessness Awareness 2013 (November 17-23, 2013).



The County will sponsor multiple activities during this week, to include outreach and education.

### **Addressing the emergency shelter and transitional housing needs of homeless persons**

In addressing goals of the County's Five Year Consolidated Plan and the Ten Year Plan to End Homelessness in Palm Beach County, the County will continue to provide funding (both federal and non-federal) for the operation and maintenance of local emergency shelters and transitional housing facilities and for the new construction/renovation of additional shelters. These facilities provide shelter and services to homeless families with children, single parents with children, single men and women, victims of domestic abuse, homeless veterans, unaccompanied youth, and the chronic homeless. The creation of a local homeless response system is the primary objective outlined in the County's Ten Year Plan to End Homelessness in Palm Beach County. In order to meet this objective, the construction of a homeless resource center was deemed an essential step. To that end, Palm Beach County established the Senator Philip D. Lewis Center, the County's first homeless resource center. The Lewis Center, a 60 emergency bed shelter, serves as the main point of entry for the homeless population to access services. The Center's beds are used to accommodate homeless single men and women who are eligible for services but cannot be immediately placed in other housing situations. Persons staying at the Lewis Center receive the same services (job training, case management, education, etc.) as those persons who reside in other emergency shelters throughout the County.

### **Helping homeless persons (especially chronically homeless individuals and families, families with children, veterans and their families, and unaccompanied youth) make the transition to permanent housing and independent living, including shortening the period of time that individuals and families experience homelessness, facilitating access for homeless individuals and families to affordable housing units, and preventing individuals and families who were recently homeless from becoming homeless again**

Palm Beach County will continue to assist homeless persons and families to transition into permanent, permanent supportive and independent housing. The following actions will be taken by the County and its partners to help individuals and families transition into a permanent form of housing:

- The County will provide funding (ESG and non-ESG) to support a Rapid Re-housing Program based at the Lewis Center and at Adopt-A-Family of the Palm Beaches, Inc. This program will provide financial assistance to homeless families/individuals to regain stability in permanent housing. The financial assistance will be for security deposits, rental assistance, utility deposits and utility assistance. The assisted families/individuals will also be provided with case management and other supportive services.
- Provide funding through HUD's Continuum of Care to assist the operation of permanent supportive housing programs.

Palm Beach County is committed to providing support towards the realization of HUD's goal of eliminating chronic homelessness. The County's actions include:

- Supporting applications for funding aimed at ending chronic homelessness.

- Providing Continuum of Care funding to three agencies (The Lord's Place, Gulfstream Goodwill, and Jerome Golden Center) that directly assist chronically homeless persons.
- Funding twelve (12) agencies with ESG dollars (encompassing sixteen (16) activities) to address the needs of the chronically homeless (see Table 15).

**Helping low-income individuals and families avoid becoming homeless, especially extremely low-income individuals and families and those who are: being discharged from publicly funded institutions and systems of care (such as health care facilities, mental health facilities, foster care and other youth facilities, and corrections programs and institutions); or, receiving assistance from public or private agencies that address housing, health, social services, employment, education, or youth needs.**

The County will undertake the following actions to prevent individuals and families from becoming homeless:

- Palm Beach County Division of Human Services will continue to use funds from the following sources to assist persons at risk of homelessness: Ryan White Part A, Financially Assisted Agencies, PBC Ad Valorem, and Emergency Food and Shelter Program;
- DES in coordination with the Department of Community Services will provide ESG funding to 12 agencies that provide direct homeless prevention assistance to County residents in the form of emergency rent and utility payments.
- DES will continue to support applications to Federal/State and other programs that are seeking funding to provide services to address the needs of families and individuals who find themselves threatened with homelessness. This support is reflected by providing certification of consistency with the County's Consolidated Plan and through participation on appropriate bodies.
- The Memorandum of Agreements, authored by the Homeless and Housing Alliance Discharge Planning sub-committee that establish the policies and procedures for hospitals and mental health institutions to make referrals to the Lewis Center will continue to be in enforced.

## **Discussion**

According to the Consolidated Planning regulation [24 CFR 91.205(d)(1)], when local jurisdictions create their Consolidated Plans they must estimate, to the extent practical, the number of persons who are not homeless, but require supportive housing, including the elderly, frail elderly, persons with disabilities (mental, physical, developmental) persons with alcohol or other drug addition, persons with HIV/AIDS and their families, public housing residents, and any other category the jurisdiction may specify, and describe their supportive housing needs. The County has a number of services and programs that offer assistance to individuals, families and those with chronic disabilities. Palm Beach County does address the priority housing and supportive service needs of persons who are not homeless but require supportive houses. Some special needs services are currently being addressed through County sponsored programs. The elderly population and senior citizen activities are assisted through the County's social service programs while many senior activities are facilitated by the Area Agency on Aging of Palm Beach and the Treasure Coast. Special needs services that are not directly provided by the County such as housing for persons with HIV/AIDS, foster care programs, mental health disorders and substance abuse are addressed by the County through coordination with a network of social

service providers and through funding via CDBG, ESG, and General Revenue to non-profit agencies to assist in the provision of those services.

## **AP-75 Barriers to affordable housing**

### **Introduction**

Palm Beach County continues to implement strategies to remove barriers to affordable housing, including those caused by public policies or prevailing economic and social conditions. These strategies are designed to increase the amount of affordable housing units in the County and to ensure residents have access to affordable housing.

### **Actions it planned to remove or ameliorate the negative effects of public policies that serve as barriers to affordable housing such as land use controls, tax policies affecting land, zoning ordinances, building codes, fees and charges, growth limitations, and policies affecting the return on residential investment**

Public policies of Palm Beach County are not intended to be barriers to affordable housing. The County, in its quest to promote affordable housing and to remove any identifiable barriers to affordable housing, will continue to utilize the following strategies:

- Low interest financial assistance to prospective homebuyers, homeowners, and developers who are seeking to purchase, rehabilitate, or construct affordable housing units.
- The Impact Fee Assistance Program utilizes investment earnings generated by impact fees towards the payment of road impact fees for eligible affordable housing projects for households at or below 120% of area median income.
- The Workforce Housing Program provides for the development of workforce housing units in new residential developments, offering density bonus incentives of up to 30% and Traffic Performance Standard mitigation that allows flexibility to traffic standards.
- The Affordable Housing Program, a voluntary program, which applies to new residential development in unincorporated PBC for proposed projects that target incomes of 30% and below the Area Medium Income, offers density bonus incentives and TPS mitigation flexibility to traffic standards.
- The Impact Fee Ordinance, designed to minimize impact fees for new development of smaller, more affordable homes, will calculate impact fees on the total square footage of the home.
- The Future Land Use Element and Housing Element of the Comprehensive Plan, through the Evaluation and Appraisal Report, will address barriers to the provision of affordable housing.
- Zero Lot Line Developments allow affordable housing developers to reduce costs by utilizing less land to develop housing (especially infill housing) in older neighborhoods.
- Accessory Affordable Housing in the “INST” Land Use Category allows non-profits and other community based organizations to develop very-low and/or low-income housing, as well as housing for special needs populations, on land that has been set aside for public and/or governmental use but which ordinarily has no specific residential density.
- The One-Stop Permit Process lessens the time required for developers to acquire necessary building permits, reducing interest costs to developers of affordable housing.
- The Deferred Payment Program reduces the financial impact of hooking up to newly expanded or constructed public water and sewer systems. This program allows the fees to be paid back over a

period of 20 years with an annual interest rate of 5.5%.

- The Municipal Services Taxing Unit allows assessments for infrastructure improvements to be paid over a period of 20 years to reduce the financial impact on property owners, thereby contributing to the affordability of housing.



## **AP-85 Other Actions**

### **Introduction**

Palm Beach County is active in devising strategies to address the needs of low and moderate income persons, homeless families, and underserved populations. The majority of the plans and strategies mentioned in the section below are direct County actions which are implemented in collaboration with the non-profit community, municipalities and interested partner agencies. A large underserved population resides in the Glades Region of the County and this area is given priority in County efforts. The County implements a wide range of programs aimed at fostering and maintaining affordable housing. Actions to reduce and eliminate lead-based paint hazards are coordinated with the Florida Department of Health, but the County, through its housing programs, strictly enforces lead-based paint abatement requirements on units constructed prior to 1978, and those units and public buildings which accommodate or house children. The following discussions will outline the specific actions that the County will take to address underserved needs, affordable housing, reduce lead paint hazards, reduce the number of poverty level families in the County, and develop an institutional structure to ensure the success of activities aimed at low and moderate income persons.

### **Actions planned to address obstacles to meeting underserved needs**

Palm Beach County has identified the lack of sufficient funding resources as a deterrent to its ability to effectively address underserved needs. During FY 2013-2014, the County plans to undertake the following actions:

- The County will continue to apply for new funding from Federal and/or State sources to better focus on the underserved needs of the County, and will support funding applications from other entities within its jurisdiction;
- Provide access to affordable housing to extremely-low, low, and moderate-income families through the new construction or rehabilitation of rental units for this income group and by providing mortgages at affordable rates to enable homeownership. This strategy will continue to be pursued under the NSP, HOME and DRI Programs;
- Provide support to homeless individuals and families, and other members of underserved populations, by allocating funds to non-profit agencies that provide services to those populations, and to the Philip D. Lewis Center from general County revenues, CDBG, and ESG Program;
- Promote cooperation between agencies by participating in different coordinating bodies in the County, such as the Homeless Coalition, Homeless and Housing Alliance, and the Homeless Advisory Board;
- Address infrastructure deficiencies in low- and moderate income areas (including identified CDBG Target Areas) through funding under the CDBG and DRI Programs;
- Provide financial assistance to businesses under the CDBG and Section 108 Programs in exchange for creating or retaining jobs to be held by low and moderate income individuals; and
- Lead economic development efforts in the Glades Region (where the highest incidence of poverty exists) in order to improve conditions for local residents.

### **Actions planned to foster and maintain affordable housing**

For 2013-2014, Palm Beach County will preserve and enhance the supply of affordable housing for extremely-low, low-and moderate-income residents of the County by implementing the following activities, among others:

- Provide first and second mortgage loans to eligible extremely-low, low-and moderate-income homebuyers;
- Provide HOME Program funds to certified Community Housing Development Organizations (CHDOs), housing developers, or a partnership of these groups, for the development and rehabilitation of multifamily rental housing, and the acquisition of single family housing for homebuyers;
- Continue to ensure that houses constructed, purchased or rehabilitated with HOME and other Federal/State funds made available by DES remains affordable for a prescribed period. This criteria will be enforced via deed restrictions and monitoring;
- Continue the implementation of the Workforce Housing Program by the County's Planning, Zoning and Building Department (PZB), which mandates that a specific number of housing units in a new residential development be provided for households with incomes of 60-140% of AMI. The program also provides a density bonus incentive to developers to increase the number of total units in a new development based on the percentage of workforce housing units; and
- Continue the Affordable Housing Program by PZB, whereby developers of new residential developments receive certain development incentives in order to provide affordable housing units to very low and low-income households.

### **Actions planned to reduce lead-based paint hazards**

HUD regulation 24 CFR 35, entitled "Requirements for Notification, Evaluation, and Reduction of Lead-Based Paint Hazards in Federally Owned Residential Property and Housing Receiving Federal Assistance", requires that lead-based paint (LBP) hazards be controlled before the rehabilitation of a housing unit that is financially assisted by the federal government or being sold by the government, particularly if young children (ages 6 and under) will be occupying the unit. The Florida Department of Health Bureau of Environmental Toxicology and the Palm Beach County Health Department are the two (2) agencies responsible for monitoring lead hazard exposures within Palm Beach County. In implementing its housing rehabilitation programs, DES conducts a LBP Assessment of all units constructed prior to 1978. DES uses up to \$10,000 per single family detached housing unit for inspections for LBP; hazard reduction of LBP; and temporary relocation of occupants during the hazard reduction phase of the process. Some of the actions the County will undertake to address and/or reduce lead-based paint hazards include: promoting lead hazard remediation efforts by providing families, communities, and professionals with knowledge and technical assistance regarding lead-based paint testing and abatement programs; promoting awareness about the Florida Lead Alert Network which disseminates information about recalled toys and other children's products; coordinating lead source identification with appropriate departments and organizations in the County to ensure the guidelines for lead reductions are consistent with all rehabilitation programs and codes; requiring inspections of residential structures built prior to 1978 for lead

based paint hazards as they relate to non-emergency rehabilitation funded under a DES-operated Federal or State program; requiring lead based paint inspections of commercial buildings built prior to 1978 if the buildings will be used by children and if funding for the rehabilitation/improvement, was provided from a DES operated program; ensuring at-risk children are screened for lead poisoning and establish working relationships with stakeholders in the community who can help implement a county-wide elimination plan; screening young children (particularly under the age of 72 months) who are suspected of lead poisoning and are eligible for Medicaid assistance. Children showing blood lead levels at or above 10 µg/dL will be reported to the State Health Department for inclusion in the Children's Lead Poisoning Database; allocate funds to cover the costs of LBP testing and LPB abatement, in connection with the rehabilitation of housing units; advise property owners who receive housing rehabilitation funds through DES's housing programs of potential LBP contamination in older homes; and keep on file all results of lead-based paint inspections and abatements in order to comply with applicable regulations.

### **Actions planned to reduce the number of poverty-level families**

The County and its partners will continue efforts to reduce the number of poverty-level families through family stabilization programs, employment related supportive services, creating economic opportunities, and the provision of affordable housing.

The County's planned actions to reduce the number of poverty-level families are as follows:

- To advocate services and funding to address self-sufficiency and economic stability.
- To collect and analyze data from information systems and other qualitative means with regard to economic needs of clients.
- To assist migrant and seasonal workers to learn new employment skills by providing basic job skills training, job readiness, high school equivalency preparation, counseling and support.
- To coordinate and share data with other organizations that plan and develop economic growth and job training.
- To provide local matching funds for Title 20 subsidized child care, providing support to low-income, working parents.
- Assist seniors, veterans and current members of the armed forces to attain optimal independence.
- Implement farm worker programs to provide classroom education, on-the-job training, and job search assistance to farm workers and their families to be able to attain full-time, year round employment.
- Continue to provide Head Start and children services to low income preschool children from birth to 5 years old.
- Implement a Family Self-Sufficiency Program to assist at-risk families and family members with various educational, health care and other services including economic stability and self-sufficiency services to enable individuals/families to be self-supporting.
- Continue to fund the Financially Assisted Agency Program which provides funding to non-profit agencies to administer health and human service programs.
- Continue to provide job creation and retention opportunities, particularly in areas with high concentrations of poverty.
- Support Workforce Alliance which operates three career centers to provide employer/employment

- opportunities.
- Support operations of the Senator Philip D. Lewis Center (homeless resource center).

### **Actions planned to develop institutional structure**

Palm Beach County has a relatively strong institutional structure which manages and delivers benefits from the community development programs which are undertaken each year. Entities involved in this endeavor are departments of Palm Beach County government, private non-profit organizations, other local governments, public agencies, Treasure Coast Regional Planning Council, and various special purpose committees and bodies. County departments which are integrally involved in this structure are: the Department of Economic Sustainability, the Community Services Department, the Facilities Development and Operations Department, the Water Utilities Department, County Engineering, the Purchasing Department, County Administration, and the County Attorney's among others. Palm Beach County continues to evaluate the operation of each of its community development programs in order to: ensure their operation within regulatory requirements; maximize the number of persons benefitting; and ensure easy access to these benefits by eligible persons. The following are currently underway or will be undertaken during the year:

- The County has adopted measures to increase the number of areas targeted to receive special assistance.
- Pursue closer relationships between the County and non-profit providers of homeless services.
- Improve communication between the county and non-profit and for profit housing providers of affordable housing.
- Actively coordinate with inter-local municipal partners in the preparation of the annual action plan.
- Establish various committees to manage the Continuum of Care and the Emergency Solutions Grant requirements.
- Provide direct home ownership assistance to families unable to access conventional credit.
- Participate in training and conferences for affordable housing, economic development, and public service providers.

### **Actions planned to enhance coordination between public and private housing and social service agencies**

Palm Beach County continues to work in coordination with multiple public and private housing, economic development, and social service agencies in order to effectively address the needs of the low-and moderate-income residents of the county. The following summarizes entities that coordinate with Palm Beach County on matters related to housing, economic development, homeless, public services and public facilities and infrastructure.

#### Housing

- Coordinate with Palm Beach County Housing Authority, Belle Glade Housing Authority, Pahokee Housing Authority, West Palm Beach Housing Authority, Boca Raton Housing Authority, Community Land Trust of Palm Beach County, Neighborhood Renaissance, HOME designated CHDOs, municipal partners, and private developers.

#### Homeless

- Coordinate with the Homeless Advisory Board, the Homeless and Housing Alliance, the Senator Philip D. Lewis Center, and non-profit entities providing homeless assistance and homeless services as part of the Continuum of Care.

#### Economic Development

- Coordinate with local businesses, business incubators, financial institutions, municipalities, Treasure Coast Regional Planning Council, Florida Department of Economic Opportunity, HUD, and County Departments.

#### Public Services

- Coordinate with private non-profit providers of public services.

#### Public facilities and infrastructure improvements

- Coordinate with other Palm Beach County Departments (Engineering, Water Utilities, Administration, Parks and Recreation, and Facilities) and municipal partners.

## Program Specific Requirements

### AP-90 Program Specific Requirements

#### Introduction

For Fiscal Year 2013-2014, the County expects to receive funding under the following CPD programs: CDBG (\$5,892,217); ESG (\$393,491); and HOME (\$1,611,843). In addition, the County expects to have available approximately \$25,000 in un-programmed program income under CDBG. CDBG funds are expected to fund thirty-five (35) activities to be implemented by County departments, municipalities and non-profit agencies. HOME Program will fund the statutory CHDO requirements as well as concentrate the remainder of the funds on the development of rental housing facilities. The ESG funds will be expended in accordance with regulatory requirements, which are 60% for emergency shelter activities.

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

##### Reference 24 CFR 91.220.(I)(1)

Projects planned with all CDBG funds expected to be available during the year are identified in the Projects Table. The following identifies program income that is available for use that is included in projects to be carried out:

|                                                                                                                                                                                                |                    |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------|
| 1. The total amount of program income that will have been received before the start of the next program year and that has not yet been reprogrammed                                            | \$25,000           |
| 2. The amount of proceeds from section 108 loan guarantees that will be used during the year to address the priority needs and specific objectives identified in the grantee's strategic plan. | \$2,464,000        |
| 3. The amount of surplus funds from urban renewal settlements                                                                                                                                  | \$0                |
| 4. The amount of any grant funds returned to the line of credit for which the planned use has not been included in a prior statement or plan                                                   | \$18,320           |
| 5. The amount of income from float-funded activities                                                                                                                                           | \$0                |
| <b>Total Program Income:</b>                                                                                                                                                                   | <b>\$2,507,320</b> |

#### Other CDBG Requirements

|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |        |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------|
| 1. The amount of urgent need activities                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | \$0    |
| 2. The estimated percentage of CDBG funds that will be used for activities that benefit persons of low and moderate income. Overall Benefit - A consecutive period of one, two or three years may be used to determine that a minimum overall benefit of 70% of CDBG funds is used to benefit persons of low and moderate income. Specify the years covered that include this Annual Action Plan (2013-2014, 2014-2015, 2015-2016). | 97.76% |



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

### **Reference 24 CFR 91.220.(I)(2)**

- 1. A description of other forms of investment being used beyond those identified in Section 92.205 is as follows:**

Palm Beach County will not utilize HOME funds in any other form except those stated in Section 92.205(b)(1).

- 2. A description of the guidelines that will be used for resale or recapture of HOME funds when used for homebuyer activities as required in 92.254, is as follows:**

HOME funds will be used to facilitate the undertaking of homebuyer activities as such, pursuant to 24 CFR 92.254(a)(4) the following Recapture Provision will be implemented to ensure affordability of the units:

Principal Residence: Any home acquired under the HOME First-Time Homebuyers Program or lease with option to buy utilizing HOME or HOME-match funds, must be used as the principal residence of the homebuyer. Upon the sale, transfer, conveyance or alienation of any part or all of the property within fifteen (15) years (20 years for new construction) of the date of the note or expiration of the full term of the first Mortgage loan, whichever date is earlier, full repayment of the principal sum plus accrued interest, if any, plus any advancements made pursuant to the terms of the Mortgage, shall become immediately due and payable. The affordability period commences on the date HOME funds are invested.

Refinance: Mortgage subordinations are granted at the discretion of Palm Beach County. Mortgage subordinations will only be granted in cases where the homeowner is seeking new financing to: lower the term of the first mortgage; lower the interest rate of the first mortgage; or make improvements to the HOME or HOME-match assisted property. Should the homeowner refinance for any reason other than previously mentioned, the full amount of the subsidy provided shall become due a payable in full.

- 3. A description of the guidelines for resale or recapture that ensures the affordability of units acquired with HOME funds? See 24 CFR 92.254(a)(4) are as follows:**

Palm Beach County's Department of Economic Sustainability (DES) utilizes the recapture provision for the first-time homebuyer's programs, if the dwelling does not maintain compliance with residency and other provisions of the mortgage and promissory note. The loan is amortized for 10 years (1/120th) and affordability is maintained, through deed restriction, for an additional five (5) years for existing construction and an additional ten (10) years for new construction. The recaptured funding is used to finance another income eligible household.

### **Plans for using HOME funds to refinance existing debt secured by multifamily housing that is rehabilitated with HOME funds along with a description of the refinancing guidelines required that will be used under 24 CFR 92.206(b), are as follows:**

Palm Beach County does not permit the use of HOME funds to refinance existing debt secured by multifamily housing that is being rehabilitated with HOME funds.

#### 4. HOME Program Description

The HOME Program was created by the 1990 Cranston-Gonzalez National Affordable Housing Act. The purpose of this program is to allocate funds to eligible participating jurisdictions (PJs) to strengthen public/private partnerships for the provision of affordable housing opportunities for low and very low income households.

Palm Beach County FY 2013-2014 HOME entitlement amount is \$1,611,843. The Federal regulations which govern the implementation of the HOME Program allow no more than a maximum of 10% of HOME Program allocation may be spent on program administration and planning activities; at least 15% of the funds must be spent on CHDO administered activities; and 5% of the funds may be awarded to CHDO to cover their administrative costs. The HOME Program regulations require each participating jurisdiction to contribute, as a matching contribution, not less than 25% of the funds drawn from its HOME Investment Trust Fund Treasury account for certain activities. During FY 2013-2014, the required match of \$342,517 will be provided from State Housing Initiatives Partnership (SHIP) Program funding. The specific amounts which will be set-aside by Palm Beach County to fund eligible costs under the HOME Program are outlined below:

- *DES Program Administration and Planning:* \$161,184 representing 10% of the total allocation;
- *Allocation to Community Housing Development Organizations (CHDOs) to administer HOME Program Activities:* \$241,777 representing 15% of the overall HOME Program allocation. Funding will be used for the development and rehabilitation of multifamily rental housing and existing single family housing for first time homebuyers (FTH). Funding may be provided as down-payment, rehabilitation, closing costs, and/or gap financing;
- *CHDO Operating Expenses:* \$80,592 representing 5% of the overall HOME Program allocation;
- *Developer Rental Program:* \$1,128,290 for loan assistance to create permanent rental housing through the construction of new housing on vacant property, demolition of existing vacant buildings, construction of new rental housing, rehabilitation of existing residential property, and acquisition of the aforementioned properties.

The Table below shows that approximately two (2) households will benefit from the programs that are slated for implementation under the HOME Program and a minimum of five (5) affordable housing units will be created by HOME Program loan assistance funding to developers.

| Activity                                   | Funding            | # of Units                                                          |
|--------------------------------------------|--------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Program Administration and Planning</b> | \$161,184          | <b>n/a</b>                                                          |
| <b>CHDO Operating Expenses</b>             | \$80,592           | <b>n/a</b>                                                          |
| <b>CHDO Administered Program</b>           | \$241,777          | <b>2</b>                                                            |
| <b>Developer Rental Program</b>            | \$1,128,290        | <b>Developer (multifamily, single family) Minimum of five units</b> |
| <b>Total</b>                               | <b>\$1,611,843</b> | <b>7</b>                                                            |

Table 12 – HOME Program Allocation

#### Matching Contributions

This required 25% minimum contribution is required only for certain activities. For Palm Beach County, during FY 2013-2014, the required match will be at least \$342,517 and will be applicable to the following programs:

CHDO Administered Programs and the Developer Rental Program. It is proposed to provide this match from SHIP Program funds.

#### Proposed HOME Projects

The projects proposed for funding under the HOME Program are described in more detail under AP-35 Projects.

#### HOME Priority Needs and Objectives

Programs to be sponsored by the HOME Program will address to varying degrees, specific priorities recognized in the Five Year Plan for FY 2010-2015. The table below illustrates the correlation between the HOME Program and these priorities.

| HOME Program                 | Activity Type                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | Priorities Addressed               |
|------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| CHDO Administered Activities | Rehabilitation of existing single family housing or new construction of single-family housing; development and rehabilitation of multi-family rental housing, direct financial assistance (i.e., down-payment and closing costs) to FTH. | Potential Homeowners: High, Medium |
| Developer Rental Program     | Loan Assistance program to create permanent rental housing.                                                                                                                                                                              | Potential Renters: High, Medium    |

**Table 13 – HOME Program Priorities Addressed**

#### **Affirmative Marketing Policy and Procedure**

In furtherance of Palm Beach County's commitment to non-discrimination and equal opportunity in housing, and to fulfill the requirements of the HOME program to undertake outreach which is targeted at low and very-low income persons, particularly residents and tenants of public housing and manufactured housing, the County has established policies and procedures to affirmatively market housing units produced under these programs. The objectives of these affirmative marketing policies and procedures are in accordance with 24 CFR 92.351 of the HOME regulations and Section 3 of the Housing Development Act of 1968, as amended (12 U.S.C. 1701 U), and is applicable to other Federal, State and local regulations.

In order to carry out the policies and procedures of DES's Affirmative Marketing Program, all non-profits, for-profits, municipalities and individual owner-investor sub-recipients of the above-mentioned programs must comply with the following:

- The Equal Opportunity logo or slogan must be used by owners in advertising vacant units, and on solicitations for Owner Proposal Notices.
- Lenders, non-profit housing developers, and program sub-recipients are requested to solicit applications from persons in the housing market area who are not likely to apply to housing without special outreach. Owners and agencies can satisfy this requirement by posting a notice of vacancies or housing opportunities in locations, including, but not limited to, the following:
  - o Mobile Home Communities

- o Churches and other related organizations;
  - o Community organizations;
  - o Fair housing groups;
  - o Housing counseling agencies;
  - o Agencies for the disabled;
  - o Employment centers;
  - o Local Public Housing Authorities (PHAs) or other similar agencies.
- Program participants must also utilize, as far as possible, all commercial media in informing all potentially eligible homebuyers in the market. The use of community, minority and other special interest publications likely to be read by persons needing special outreach, is also highly recommended.
- All program participants are required to adequately inform and train their staff on the objectives of affirmative marketing and ensure that their staff takes every step to ensure compliance. The above-mentioned policies and procedures must be provided in written form to each staff member.
- Lenders, non-profit housing developers, and other program sub-recipients will be required to keep records describing actions taken to affirmatively market units in the rehabilitation program. Palm Beach County DES will keep records of their efforts to affirmatively market units and will require rental owners to provide each jurisdiction with its records. Investors/owners are required to provide a copy of advertisements, minutes of meetings, income documentation, and census tract information, as applicable.
- Affirmative marketing records of the sub-recipients in the program will be monitored on-site annually, and a report will be compiled to assess their efforts in adhering to the requirements. These records will include, but not be limited to: copies of brochures, news clippings, press releases, sign-in logs from community meetings, and any letters of inquiry written to, or from, prospective clients. The participants will be informed of their responsibility to adhere to the said requirements.
- Participants are required to submit monthly or quarterly reports using measures such as number of housing units provided, and number of families assisted. These reports will identify racial/ethnic/gender classifications. These measures will be used to determine the success of the program.

Meetings will be held, as required, with selected sub-recipients, to ensure the smooth implementation of these and other program requirements.

### **Minority Outreach Program**

In the procurement of supplies, equipment, construction, or services funded with HOME funds, the county requires that subrecipients/contractors make a positive effort to utilize small business and minority/women-owned business enterprises of supplies and services, and provide these sources the maximum feasible opportunity to compete for contracts to be performed pursuant to this Agreement. To the maximum extent feasible these small business and minority/women- owned business enterprises shall be located in or owned by residents of the CDBG areas designated by Palm Beach County in the Five Year Plan approved by U.S. HUD.

In order to comply with Executive Order 11246, Palm Beach County deliberately notifies the Offerors or Bidders of the “Equal Opportunity Clause” and the “Standard Federal Equal Employment Specification,” and the goals and timetables for minority and female participation, expressed in percentage terms for the Contractor’s aggregate workforce in each trade on all construction work in the covered area. The goals alluded to are shown on the table below.

| Timetable    | Goal for Minority Participation in each Trade | Goals for Female Participation in each Trade |
|--------------|-----------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------|
|              | 22.4%                                         | 6.9%                                         |
| Area Covered | Palm Beach County                             | All trades for the life of the project       |

**Table 14 – Minority and Female Participation**

The goals are applicable to all the Contractor's construction work (whether or not it is Federal or federally assisted) performed in the covered area. If the contractor performs construction work in a geographical area located outside of the covered area, it shall apply the goals established for such geographic area where the work is actually performed. With regard to this second area, the contractor also is subject to the goals for both its federally involved and non-federally involved construction.

The Contractor's compliance with the Executive Order and the regulations in 41 CFR Part 60-4 shall be based on its implementation of the Equal Opportunity Clause, specific affirmative action obligations required by the specifications set forth in 41 CFR-60-4.3(a), and its efforts to meet the goals. The hours of minority and female employment and training must be substantially uniform throughout the length of the contract, and in each trade, and the contractor shall make a good faith effort to employ minorities and women evenly on each of its projects. The transfer of minority or female employees or trainees from Contractor to Contractor or from project to project for the sole purpose of meeting the Contractor's goals shall be a violation of the contract, the Executive Order and the regulations in 41 CFR Part 60-4. Compliance with the goals will be measured against the total work hours performed.

The Contractor shall provide written notifications to the Director of the Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs within 10 working days of award of any construction subcontract in excess of \$10,000 at any tier for construction work under the contract resulting from this solicitation. The notification shall list the name, address and telephone number of the subcontractor; employer identification number of the subcontractor; estimated dollar amount of the subcontract; estimated starting and completion dates of the subcontract is to be performed.

## **Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG)**

### **1. Include written standards for providing ESG assistance (may include as attachment)**

The standards for providing ESG assistance will be written into the Subrecipient Agreement in detail. A summary of the standards include: participating in HMIS (unless a domestic violence provider), known locally as CMIS including completing a Universal Application and Self-sufficiency Matrix for each client and participation in the CoC, known locally as the Homeless and Housing Alliance (HHA).

The HHA uses a Homeless Prevention Checklist for ESG recipients to ensure that the same standards apply for all program participants. The checklist is required as part of reimbursement for Homeless Prevention Activities.

Eligibility standards will state that all participants must meet the HUD definition of homelessness for Emergency Shelter Activities or the definition of “at risk of homelessness” as described in sections 576.103 and 576.104 of the Federal regulation for Homeless Prevention and Rapid Re-housing Activities. Additionally, participants for Homeless Prevention and Rapid Re-housing must have an income below 30% of median family income for the area, as determined by HUD.

Standards for length of time a client can receive financial assistance are those established in the ESG regulations, Recipient agencies will be instructed to follow the requirements established in the Federal Register for the specific program under which they are offering services.

Criteria for Utility Assistance: Participants must complete a Homeless Prevention checklist. Utilities that will be included are gas, electric, water, and sewage. Time period for assistance will be as established in the Federal Register for the specific program under which the agency is offering services.

Documentation to be included in the files of sub-recipients is as follows:

- Emergency Shelter – proof of homelessness
- Rapid Re-Housing and Homeless Prevention – A completed Homeless Prevention checklist and proof of income requirements

A further detailed list will be included in each sub-recipient agreement.

### **2. If the Continuum of Care has established centralized or coordinated assessment system that meets HUD requirements, describe that centralized or coordinated assessment system.**

The CoC has developed and implemented a Universal Application and Universal Self-Sufficiency Matrix that is utilized by all HHA members. With the opening of the County’s first Homeless Resource Center, the CoC has also begun operating a centralized Single Point of Entry process. Lastly, the CoC is in the process of formalizing standard coordinated assessment policies and procedures.



**3. Identify the process for making sub-awards and describe how the ESG allocation available to private nonprofit organizations (including community and faith-based organizations).**

- The Homeless and Housing Alliance (HHA)'s Executive Committee met on April 15, 2013 to discuss and vote on the funding priorities for ESG. These priorities were reviewed at the next HHA meeting on April 25, 2013 and the decision was ratified by the HHA membership.
- These priorities were included in the Notification to the Public of Funding Availability (NOFA). The NOFA was published in a local newspaper (Palm Beach Post), posted on the HHA website, and an email blast was sent out to all entities on the HHA listserv. Social media was also used to announce the NOFA on the CoC's Twitter and Facebook pages. The HHA is open to the public and any agency can join including Community and Faith-Based organizations as well as community advocates.
- The NOFA was published in the Palm Beach Post on April 7, 2013, with an application deadline of 12:00pm, April 29, 2013. The Notice and the application listed a Division of Human Services staff member, who was available by phone to provide technical assistance to applicants. The notice also identified ADA special need requirements.
- The ESG application was designed to gather information regarding the details of the proposed project. This included the Project Narrative, Project Goals and Objectives and the Budget Proposal. The application was also designed to measure the applicant's involvement with the local HHA by providing attendance records for meetings, subcommittees and participation in HMIS. Additionally, the application was designed to gather information regarding the financial and organizational capacity of the agency applying for funding through Monitoring Reports, Financial Audits and a Project Narrative.
- The evaluation tool for the application was based on the specified requirements in the application. The application contained five sections: Eligible Categories and Activities, Project Narrative, Project Goals and Objectives, Site control and Budget Proposal. Additionally, the application includes four additional documents that have to be submitted: Financial Audit, Monitoring Report, CMIS (HMIS) Report Card, and a HHA Member in Good Standing Verification. All components were assigned a point scale which the reviewers used for their determination based on the information provided by the applicant.
- The evaluation of the applications received was conducted in three steps: First, the Human Services staff reviewed each application for Fatal Flaws. Second, Non-Conflict Grant Review Committee members attended an orientation meeting on April 30, 2013. The Non-Conflict Grant Review Committee was comprised of five (5) individuals and was selected with input from the HHA. Committee members were not affiliated with an agency that had applied for funding and were individuals who have some knowledge of local homeless issues (one member of the committee was formerly homeless). At the April 30<sup>th</sup> meeting, committee members were given a copy of the thirteen (13) submitted applications, along with a scoring guide sheet to use for each application. The members were instructed to read all of the applications and be prepared to score the applications at the Public Meeting held on May 22, 2013. At the May 22<sup>nd</sup> meeting, a committee member led the discussion of each application and asked for each reviewer's score. After each application was scored, they were then ranked per the given score and funding recommendations were considered. During the recommendation session, the Committee considered in part the score given and the previous funding amount, if funded, to determine a recommended allocation for

each agency. The role of County staff was to provide technical assistance and administrative support, including running an Excel spreadsheet that was projected for the reviewers and the audience to see.

**4. If the jurisdiction is unable to meet the homeless participation requirement in 24 CFR 576.405(a), the jurisdiction must specify its plan for reaching out to and consulting with homeless or formerly homeless individuals in considering policies and funding decisions regarding facilities and services funded under ESG.**

Former homeless individuals serve on both the HHA Executive Committee and the Continuum of Care ESG Review Committee (funding recommendation committee).

**5. Describe performance standards for evaluating ESG.**

The ESG Scoring Guide chart was developed in part from the process that the HHA used to rank and review Supportive Housing Program (SHP) renewal applications. This process was used because HHA members are familiar with the process and it has been approved by the HHA as a way to rank renewal projects. Applications were scored as follows: Eligible Categories & Activities (5pts.), Project Narrative (25pts.), Project Goals & Objectives (15pts.), Site Control (5pts.), Budget Proposal (20pts.), Financial Audit (5pts.), Monitoring Reports (15pts.), CMIS (HMIS) Report Card (10pts.), and Homeless and Housing Alliance Member in Good Standing Verification (10pts.). The largest amount of points was assigned to Project Narrative, Project Goals, and Budget Proposal because those sections include the details of the proposal, and the feasibility and capacity of an agency to carry out proposed activities. The other sections, Financial Audit, Monitoring Report, CMIS, and HHA Member in Good Standing were assigned points as those section include financial capacity, the agencies past experience in handling funding from various sources, and awarded points to agencies that participate in the Continuum of Care and are members of the HHA.

**6. Emergency Solutions Funding Recommendations**

The following table shows the funding recommendations made by the Homeless and Housing Alliance Executive Committee, which was tasked by the PBC Department of Community Services, Division of Human Services to recommend the distribution of FY 2013-2014 ESG funds to non-profit entities.

**FY 2013-2014 EMERGENCY SOLUTIONS GRANT FUNDING RECOMMENDATIONS**

| Agency                           | Recommended Funding    |                        |                          | Beneficiaries (Individuals) |     |    |       |
|----------------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------|-----|----|-------|
|                                  | Emergency Shelter (ES) | Rapid Re-housing (RRH) | Homeless Prevention (HP) | ES                          | RRH | HP | TOTAL |
| Aid to Victims of Domestic Abuse | \$21,096               |                        |                          | 260                         |     |    | 260   |
| Adopt A Family                   |                        | \$71,695               |                          |                             | 88  |    | 88    |
| Children's Home Society          | \$12,239               |                        |                          | 194                         |     |    | 194   |

| Agency                                   | Recommended Funding    |                        |                          | Beneficiaries (Individuals) |           |            |              |
|------------------------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------|------------|--------------|
|                                          | Emergency Shelter (ES) | Rapid Re-housing (RRH) | Homeless Prevention (HP) | ES                          | RRH       | HP         | TOTAL        |
| Children's Case Mgt. (Families First)    | \$3,240                |                        | \$10,872                 | 33                          |           | 111        | 144          |
| Center for Family Services               | \$17,607               |                        | \$26,518                 | 168                         |           | 90         | 258          |
| Vita Nova                                | \$41,024               |                        | \$8,849                  | 30                          |           | 100        | 130          |
| Salvation Army                           | \$44,456               |                        |                          | 120                         |           |            | 120          |
| Coalition for Independent Living Options |                        |                        | \$15,869                 |                             |           | 45         | 45           |
| The Lord's Place – Recovery Center       | \$20,367               |                        |                          | 75                          |           |            | 75           |
| The Lord's Place – Family Program        | \$20,367               |                        |                          | 105                         |           |            | 105          |
| Children's Place at Home Safe            | \$16,429               |                        |                          | 110                         |           |            | 110          |
| YWCA                                     | \$9,701                |                        |                          | 576                         |           |            | 576          |
| Farmworkers Coordinating Council         |                        |                        | \$3,880                  |                             |           | 125        | 125          |
| <b>TOTAL</b>                             | <b>\$206,526</b>       | <b>\$71,695</b>        | <b>\$65,889</b>          | <b>1,671</b>                | <b>88</b> | <b>471</b> | <b>2,230</b> |

**Table 15 – Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) Program FY 2013-2014 Funding Recommendations**

**APPENDIX I - CERTIFICATIONS**

## CERTIFICATIONS

In accordance with the applicable statutes and the regulations governing the consolidated plan regulations, the jurisdiction certifies that:

**Affirmatively Further Fair Housing** — The jurisdiction will affirmatively further fair housing, which means it will conduct an analysis of impediments to fair housing choice within the jurisdiction, take appropriate actions to overcome the effects of any impediments identified through that analysis, and maintain records reflecting that analysis and actions in this regard.

**Anti-displacement and Relocation Plan** — It will comply with the acquisition and relocation requirements of the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970, as amended, and implementing regulations at 49 CFR 24; and it has in effect and is following a residential anti-displacement and relocation assistance plan required under section 104(d) of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended, in connection with any activity assisted with funding under the CDBG or HOME programs.

**Anti-Lobbying** — To the best of the jurisdiction's knowledge and belief:

1. No Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid, by or on behalf of it, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the awarding of any Federal contract, the making of any Federal grant, the making of any Federal loan, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement;
2. If any funds other than Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement, it will complete and submit Standard Form-LLL, "Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying," in accordance with its instructions; and
3. It will require that the language of paragraph 1 and 2 of this anti-lobbying certification be included in the award documents for all sub awards at all tiers (including subcontracts, subgrants, and contracts under grants, loans, and cooperative agreements) and that all subrecipients shall certify and disclose accordingly.

**Authority of Jurisdiction** — The consolidated plan is authorized under State and local law (as applicable) and the jurisdiction possesses the legal authority to carry out the programs for which it is seeking funding, in accordance with applicable HUD regulations.

**Consistency with plan** — The housing activities to be undertaken with CDBG, HOME, ESG, and HOPWA funds are consistent with the strategic plan.

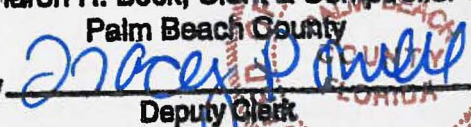
**Section 3** — It will comply with section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968, and implementing regulations at 24 CFR Part 135.

  
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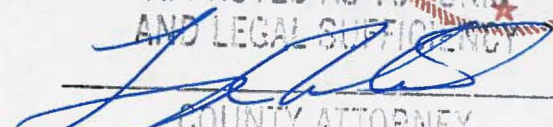
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COUNTY ATTORNEY



### **Specific CDBG Certifications**

The Entitlement Community certifies that:

**Citizen Participation** – It is in full compliance and following a detailed citizen participation plan that satisfies the requirements of 24 CFR 91.105.

**Community Development Plan** -- Its consolidated housing and community development plan identifies community development and housing needs and specifies both short-term and long-term community development objectives that provide decent housing, expand economic opportunities primarily for persons of low and moderate income. (See CFR 24 570.2 and CFR 24 part 570)

**Following a Plan** -- It is following a current consolidated plan (or Comprehensive Housing Affordability Strategy) that has been approved by HUD.

**Use of Funds** -- It has complied with the following criteria:

1. **Maximum Feasible Priority.** With respect to activities expected to be assisted with CDBG funds, it certifies that it has developed its Action Plan so as to give maximum feasible priority to activities which benefit low and moderate income families or aid in the prevention or elimination of slums or blight. The Action Plan may also include activities which the grantee certifies are designed to meet other community development needs having a particular urgency because existing conditions pose a serious and immediate threat to the health or welfare of the community, and other financial resources are not available);
2. **Overall Benefit.** The aggregate use of CDBG funds including section 108 guaranteed loans during program year(s) FY 2013-14; FY 2014-15; & FY 2015-16, shall principally benefit persons of low and moderate income in a manner that ensures that at least 70 percent of the amount is expended for activities that benefit such persons during the designated period;
3. **Special Assessments.** It will not attempt to recover any capital costs of public improvements assisted with CDBG funds including Section 108 loan guaranteed funds by assessing any amount against properties owned and occupied by persons of low and moderate income, including any fee charged or assessment made as a condition of obtaining access to such public improvements.

However, if CDBG funds are used to pay the proportion of a fee or assessment that relates to the capital costs of public improvements (assisted in part with CDBG funds) financed from other revenue sources, an assessment or charge may be made against the property with respect to the public improvements financed by a source other than CDBG funds.

The jurisdiction will not attempt to recover any capital costs of public improvements assisted with CDBG funds, including Section 108, unless CDBG funds are used to pay the proportion of fee or assessment attributable to the capital costs of public improvements financed from other revenue sources. In this case, an assessment or charge may be made against the property with respect to the public improvements financed by a source other than CDBG funds. Also, in the case of properties owned and occupied by moderate-income (not low-income) families, an assessment or charge may be made against the property for public improvements financed by a source other than CDBG funds if the jurisdiction certifies that it lacks CDBG funds to cover the assessment.

**Excessive Force** -- It has adopted and is enforcing:

1. A policy prohibiting the use of excessive force by law enforcement agencies within its jurisdiction against any individuals engaged in non-violent civil rights demonstrations; and



2. A policy of enforcing applicable State and local laws against physically barring entrance to or exit from a facility or location which is the subject of such non-violent civil rights demonstrations within its jurisdiction;

**Compliance With Anti-discrimination laws --** The grant will be conducted and administered in conformity with title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 USC 2000d), the Fair Housing Act (42 USC 3601-3619), and implementing regulations.

**Lead-Based Paint --** Its activities concerning lead-based paint will comply with the requirements of 24 CFR Part 35, subparts A, B, J, K and R;

**Compliance with Laws --** It will comply with applicable laws.

  
Signature/Authorized Official

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**OPTIONAL CERTIFICATION  
CDBG**

Submit the following certification only when one or more of the activities in the action plan are designed to meet other community development needs having a particular urgency as specified in 24 CFR 570.208(c):

The grantee hereby certifies that the Annual Plan includes one or more specifically identified CDBG-assisted activities which are designed to meet other community development needs having a particular urgency because existing conditions pose a serious and immediate threat to the health or welfare of the community and other financial resources are not available to meet such needs.

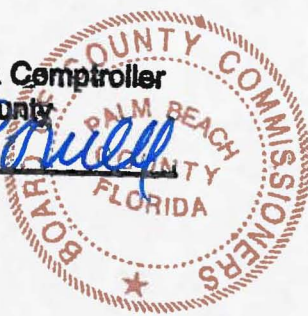
  
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## ESG Certifications

The Emergency Solutions Grants Program Recipient certifies that:

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**Major rehabilitation/conversion** – If an emergency shelter's rehabilitation costs exceed 75 percent of the value of the building before rehabilitation, the jurisdiction will maintain the building as a shelter for homeless individuals and families for a minimum of 10 years after the date the building is first occupied by a homeless individual or family after the completed rehabilitation. If the cost to convert a building into an emergency shelter exceeds 75 percent of the value of the building after conversion, the jurisdiction will maintain the building as a shelter for homeless individuals and families for a minimum of 10 years after the date the building is first occupied by a homeless individual or family after the completed conversion. In all other cases where ESG funds are used for renovation, the jurisdiction will maintain the building as a shelter for homeless individuals and families for a minimum of 3 years after the date the building is first occupied by a homeless individual or family after the completed renovation.

**Essential Services and Operating Costs** – In the case of assistance involving shelter operations or essential services related to street outreach or emergency shelter, the jurisdiction will provide services or shelter to homeless individuals and families for the period during which the ESG assistance is provided, without regard to a particular site or structure, so long the jurisdiction serves the same type of persons (e.g., families with children, unaccompanied youth, disabled individuals, or victims of domestic violence) or persons in the same geographic area.

**Renovation** – Any renovation carried out with ESG assistance shall be sufficient to ensure that the building involved is safe and sanitary.

**Supportive Services** – The jurisdiction will assist homeless individuals in obtaining permanent housing, appropriate supportive services (including medical and mental health treatment, victim services, counseling, supervision, and other services essential for achieving independent living), and other Federal State, local, and private assistance available for such individuals.

**Matching Funds** – The jurisdiction will obtain matching amounts required under 24 CFR 576.201.

**Confidentiality** – The jurisdiction has established and is implementing procedures to ensure the confidentiality of records pertaining to any individual provided family violence prevention or treatment services under any project assisted under the ESG program, including protection against the release of the address or location of any family violence shelter project, except with the written authorization of the person responsible for the operation of that shelter.

**Homeless Persons Involvement** – To the maximum extent practicable, the jurisdiction will involve, through employment, volunteer services, or otherwise, homeless individuals and families in constructing, renovating, maintaining, and operating facilities assisted under the ESG program, in providing services assisted under the ESG program, and in providing services for occupants of facilities assisted under the program.

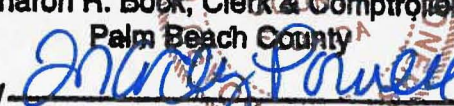
**Consolidated Plan** – All activities the jurisdiction undertakes with assistance under ESG are consistent with the jurisdiction's consolidated plan.

**Discharge Policy** – The jurisdiction will establish and implement, to the maximum extent practicable and where appropriate policies and protocols for the discharge of persons from publicly funded institutions or systems of care (such as health care facilities, mental health facilities, foster care or other youth facilities, or correction programs and institutions) in order to prevent this discharge from immediately resulting in homelessness for these persons.

  
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### Specific HOME Certifications

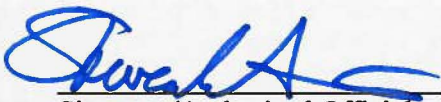
The HOME participating jurisdiction certifies that:

**Tenant Based Rental Assistance** — If the participating jurisdiction intends to provide tenant-based rental assistance:

The use of HOME funds for tenant-based rental assistance is an essential element of the participating jurisdiction's consolidated plan for expanding the supply, affordability, and availability of decent, safe, sanitary, and affordable housing.

**Eligible Activities and Costs** — It is using and will use HOME funds for eligible activities and costs, as described in 24 CFR § 92.205 through 92.209 and that it is not using and will not use HOME funds for prohibited activities, as described in § 92.214.

**Appropriate Financial Assistance** — Before committing any funds to a project, it will evaluate the project in accordance with the guidelines that it adopts for this purpose and will not invest any more HOME funds in combination with other Federal assistance than is necessary to provide affordable housing;

  
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## APPENDIX TO CERTIFICATIONS

### INSTRUCTIONS CONCERNING LOBBYING:

#### A. Lobbying Certification

This certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was made or entered into. Submission of this certification is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction imposed by section 1352, title 31, U.S. Code. Any person who fails to file the required certification shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.



## APPENDIX II – CITIZEN PARTICIPATION COMMENTS

Following is a summary of meetings held by DES, Human Services, and the BCC as they relate to the FY 2013-2014 Action Plan.

### **Palm Beach County Board of County Commissioners Workshop**

Date: March 26, 2013

Time: 9:00 am

Location: PBC Governmental Center, 301 N. Olive Avenue, West Palm Beach, FL 33401

The purpose of this public workshop meeting by the Board of County Commissioners (BCC) was to review the County's accomplishments under the CDBG, ESG and HOME Programs, discuss staff recommendations on strategies to be adopted for the FY 2013-2014 Action Plan and to receive BCC direction on the recommendation. Assistant County Administrator Shannon LaRocque stated that the CDBG entitlement amount was unknown at this time and that staff's presentation assumes last year's allocation. The planning process required ten months to complete, and involved several public meetings. DES Director Edward Lowery explained that the Action Plan was a consolidated application to HUD for CDBG, HOME and ESG funds in which uses of funds and recipients are identified.

Carlos Serrano, stated that the primary objectives of the CDBG Program were the provision of decent housing, suitable living environment, and expanded economic opportunities to low and moderate income persons. Funds awarded would serve to meet HUD's national program objectives to benefit low- and moderate-income persons, to eliminate slums or blight, and to address urgent community needs. Historically, the County funds community partners to carry out CDBG-related activities. These include municipalities participating via Interlocal Agreement, non-profit organizations, public agencies, County departments, and for-profit entities.

Sherry Howard stated that the CDBG Program had allocated more than \$48 million to County activities over an eight year period. The largest portion, 53 percent, was spent on street improvements, water and sewer upgrades, general public facilities, and parks projects. Funds were also spent on homeless services, victims of domestic abuse, and disabled and senior services. Also, approximately 239 households received \$8.2 million in assistance through housing rehabilitation, demolition, or relocation.

Ms. LaRocque outlined the following staff recommendations: \$100,000 for the demolition program; shifting \$275,000 from rehabilitation to economic development; funding a micro-lending program; no change to the entitlement amounts allocated to the eight municipalities of Belle Glade, Greenacres, Lake Worth, Pahokee, Riviera Beach, South Bay, Lake Park and Mangonia Park, assuming that the allocations remained stable; funding of five County-sponsored infrastructure



projects with a total allocation of \$1.6 million; expanding the Special Area of Hope funding to include, in addition to the three Glades municipalities of Belle Glade, South Bay and Pahokee, the municipalities of Greenacres, Lake Park, Lake Worth, Mangonia Park, and Riviera Beach; and award 100% of the public service funding to the Senator Philip D. Lewis Homeless Resource Center.

Mr. Lowery explained that The United States Congress created the HOME Program to meet affordable housing needs of lower-income households. HOME-related activities included homebuyer assistance, new construction, acquisition and rehabilitation of existing housing, and rental assistance. Federal rules require each participating jurisdiction to dedicate up to 15 percent of its HOME Program dollars to Community Housing Development Organizations (CHDOs). Between 2005-2013, more than \$20 million in HOME funds were used to create 500 housing units. Because of expected program income from NSP 1, NSP 2, and NSP 3, staff recommends that a HOME second-mortgage program not be considered for funding in 2013-2014. Staff recommended that the anticipated \$1.2 million under the HOME Program should be assigned entirely to rental rehabilitation and development to meet significant projected needs for rental housing.

The ESG program, recently renamed the Emergency Solutions Grant program, provides homeless-related services to include emergency shelter facilities, homeless prevention activities, emergency housing assistance, street outreach, and funding of client management information systems. The County had historically used its ESG funding for emergency shelters and homeless prevention activities, which had served more than 26,000 individuals. The County Department of Community Services partnered with the DES to administer the ESG Program. As required by HUD, the funding priorities will be determined by the Continuum of Care (known as the Homeless Housing Alliance) and the funding recommendations emanating from a Notice of Funding Availability. The funding recommendations will be incorporated into the Action Plan and presented to the board in July 2013.

**Public Comments - BCC Workshop March 26, 2013:**

- Robert Bertish, of the Legal Aid Society of Palm Beach, advocated for continued funding of his agency's fair housing activity under the CDBG Program.
- Frank Hayden, of the Sickle Cell Foundation, stressed that his organization will be forced to close its Glades Satellite office and let go the staff if the BCC allocates all CDBG Public Service dollars to the Philip D. Lewis Center.
- Glenn Mueller, of the Children's Place at HomeSafe, commented that his organization will face diminished capacity to operate its residential care facility for abused/abandoned children if the BCC allocates all CDBG Public Service dollars to the Philip D. Lewis Center.
- Maite Coles-Reyes, of the Coalition for Independent Living Options, explained that her CDBG funded activity providing meals to special needs individuals under the age of 65 will be forced to cease operations if the BCC allocates all CDBG Public Service dollars to the Philip D. Lewis Center.
- Diana Stanley, of The Lord's Place, advocated for continued funding of current CDBG Public

Service Subrecipients. She explained that each agency serves a unique population or need in the County, and if the agency is unfunded, their beneficiaries cannot be assisted by the Phillip C. Lewis Center, due to their unique needs.

- Lashanda McHome-Ross, of Jesus and You Outreach Ministries, explained the unique value her CDBG funded public service activity provides to Palm Beach County and that to discontinue her agency's funding will diminish the capacity to operate the food bank and men's rehabilitation shelter.
- Lee Leffingwell, of Town of Mangonia Park, stated she supported the funding strategy to expand Special Area of Hope funding to all eight entitlement municipalities.
- Derrek Moore, of The City of Pahokee, requested that the distribution of funds under the Special Area of Hope (SAOH) Program not be modified to include the other five entitlement municipalities consisting of Greenacres, Lake Park, Lake Worth, Mangonia Park, and Riviera Beach.
- Tony Brown, of The City of Riviera Beach CRA, supported the recommendation that the distribution of funds under the Special Area of Hope (SAOH) Program be modified to include the other five entitlement municipalities and requested that the rotation of funds be by order of greatest need. In addition, he requested that demolition should be an eligible activity with the SAOH funds. Mr. Brown also requested that the County allocate its proposed CDBG Economic Development funding to the City of Riviera Beach CRA.

#### **Board Discussion and Directions- BCC Workshop March 26, 2013**

The discussions and directions related to the proposal to assign 100% (\$862,000) of the CDBG public service allocation to the operation of the Senator Philip D. Lewis Homeless Resource Center (HRC) and the objection to this recommendation by some non-profit public service providers are summarized below.

The Board rejected the recommendation. Board members supported continued funding of the non-profits with CDBG funds. One Board member stated that there should be collaboration between Palm Beach County and the non-profits to ensure that funding and services were not duplicated and that services should be provided as efficiently as possible. One Commissioner stated that the HRC by itself could not serve the homeless needs of the entire county therefore there is a role to be played by the non-profits. PBC staff argued that the administrative costs associated with managing approximately \$287,000 (25% public service allocation proposed to be awarded to the non-profits) was high and not economical. Staff further argued that if any of the \$862,000 was re-designated from the HRC, the Board would be asked to make up this funding with ad valorem funds. The County Administrator informed that the Board could reduce the CDBG allocation to the HRC and consider making up any shortfall during the County's next budget exercise. Staff pointed out that it would be more expedient to assign funding to the 13 non-profits which were currently being funded as this would obviate the need for a RFP. The Mayor reiterated that Board consensus existed for the continued funding of the 13 non-profit agencies which were currently being funded and that this should not involve an RFP process.

Regarding the recommendation to expand the number of cities participating in the Special Area of Hope funding from the three glades municipalities to eight including all with CDBG target area, the Board supported this recommendation. The Board discussed the order in which the funds would be distributed to the 8 municipalities and staff advised that the rotation to receive the funds would be developed by staff and along with the 2013-2014 Action Plan, will be brought before the Board for approval in July.

Regarding the proposed micro-lending program, the Board approved its implementation, however one member did not think that the county should be operating such a program.

The Mayor stated that the goals of the CDBG Program should be examined more closely in FY 2014-15 and adjusted if necessary.

### **Eastern and Western County Regional Meetings**

#### **a) Eastern County Meeting**

Date: May 29, 2013  
Time: 1:30 pm  
Location: Airport Center Complex, 100 Australian Ave., Suite 1-470, West Palm Beach, FL 33406

#### **b) Western County Meeting**

Date: May 30, 2013  
Time: 10:30am  
Location: Workforce Alliance Western Career Center, 1085 S. Main Street, Belle Glade, FL 33430

Both meetings followed the same agenda, but were held in separate parts of the County to maximize public involvement in the Action Plan process.

Carlos Serrano explained the purpose of the meeting, which was to provide an overview of the Action Plan, review historical program accomplishments and review the BCC recommendations from the March 26, 2013 public workshop.

The Action Plan is required by HUD and serves as a consolidated application for CDBG, ESG, and HOME Program funding. The plan identifies uses and recipients of funding and is due to HUD by August 16<sup>th</sup> annually.

For the CDBG Program, Mr. Serrano stated that the primary goals are the provision of decent housing; creation of a suitable living environment; and expanding economic opportunities. Eligible types of activities can include public facilities and infrastructure, public services, economic development, and housing activities. Over the period of 2005 through 2013, the County received \$48,174,084 in CDBG funds and expended those funds as follows: Public Facilities & Infrastructure \$25,315,590, Public Service Activities \$8,300,116, Housing Activities \$8,274,119, and Economic Development \$6,284,259.

Meghan Parnell presented an overview of the Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) Program. She described the objective of the ESG Program as to preventing homelessness and helping individuals and families quickly regain stability in permanent housing after experiencing a housing crisis or homelessness. The Program is now administered by the Palm Beach County Department of Community Services- Division of Human Services (DHS) which is also the Lead Entity for the local Homeless Continuum of Care (CoC). Per HUD's requirements, the CoC, also known as the PBC Homeless and Housing Alliance, is consulted regarding funding allocations and identification of priorities. For FY 2013-2014, the CoC prioritized emergency shelter, homeless prevention & rapid re-housing, and Client Management Information System. Ms. Parnell further explained that ESG funds are awarded to local non-profit homeless providers through a competitive process and that funding recommendations are made by a non-conflict grant review committee established by DHS. Over the period of 2005 through 2013, the County received \$2,693,222 in ESG funding and carried out activities under the following categories and amounts: Emergency Shelter \$1,927,863, Homeless Prevention \$608,947, Rapid Re-Housing \$100,810, and Essential Services \$55,602.

Mr. Serrano then presented an overview of the HOME Program, as well the historic funding allocation by category. The objective of the HOME Program is to provide decent affordable housing to lower income households. To achieve this, the County's HOME Activities traditionally includes homebuyer assistance, new construction of rental or for-sale housing, acquisition and/or rehabilitation of affordable housing, and rental assistance. Per HUD regulations, a minimum of 15% of the annual HOME allocation must be awarded to non-profit groups designated as Community Housing Development Organizations (CHDOs). Over the period of 2005 through 2013, the County received \$20,186,107 in HOME funding and assisted 516 households. Those funds were expended as follows: homebuyer assistance programs \$14,104,503, CHDO Activities \$4,349,181 and new rental development \$1,732,423.

Mr. Serrano then restated the directives/recommendations of the BCC which were received at a public workshop on March 26, 2013. For the CDBG Program, the recommendations were to: continue to fund countywide demolition, but provide no CDBG funding for housing rehabilitation; increase funding set aside for economic development; maintain current allocations to Local Entitlement Municipalities based on contribution to overall CDBG grant; maintain the current level of funding for projects implemented by County departments; rotate the annual Special Area of Hope Program Allocation between all 8 Local Entitlement Municipalities; and, allocate Public Service funds for the Philip D. Lewis Center and current non-profit Public Service partner agencies.

The County anticipates receiving \$5,393,765 in FY 2013-2014 CDBG funding and will allocate as follows: Countywide Demolition \$144,240; Economic Development \$1,014,587; Public Services \$259,393; Philip D. Lewis Center \$778,180; Local Entitlement Municipalities \$982,846; County-Initiated Projects \$1,774,314; Special Area of Hope \$426,505; and, Contingency Reserves \$13,701.

Ms. Parnell stated that the County anticipates receiving \$531,619 in ESG funding and provided the ESG funding recommendations as follows: HMIS (211 Palm Beach/Treasure Coast) \$19,770, Adopt-A-Family \$91,917, Aid to Victims of Domestic Abuse \$23,440, Center for Family Services \$62,280, Coalition for Independent Living Options \$23,137, Children's Home Society \$13,599, Families First \$19,699, Farmworker Coordinating Council \$6,250, Home Safe \$22,528, Lord's Place – Recovery Center \$27,928, Lord's Place – Family Campus \$27,928, The Salvation Army \$60,958, Vita Nova \$69,503, YWCA \$22,810.

Mr. Serrano stated that the County anticipates receiving \$1,592,579 in HOME Program funding and provided funding allocations as follows: Rental Development/Rehabilitation \$1,114,807, CHDO Activities \$238,887, CHDO Operating Costs \$79,628, and, program administration \$159,257.

Mr. Serrano reiterated that HUD has not provided FY 2013-2014 program allocations, therefore, recommendations presented at the meeting are contingent upon the actual CDBG, ESG, and HOME allocations to Palm Beach County for FY 2013-2014. He then opened the floor for questions.

**Questions and Responses (Eastern Meeting):**

Ricardo Riswell of the City of Riviera Beach asked if the federal budget sequestration affected the CDBG grant. Mr. Serrano stated that the sequestration did not affect the FY 2013-2014 CDBG budget. Mr. Dale Sugarman of the Town of Lake Park asked why the rotation of Special Area of Hope funds was alphabetical. Mr. Serrano replied that this was the most fair and impartial sequence as decided by the BCC. Wendy Tippet of Adopt-A-Family of the Palm Beaches read a letter into the record on behalf of the Homeless and Housing Alliance that addressed the use of HOME Program funds and requested the County to utilize those funds to create a tenant based rental assistance program. Mr. Serrano confirmed that Ms. Tippet intends to submit the letter to the DES Director by mail.

**Questions and Responses (Western Meeting):**

Sonya McNair, of Families First of the Palm Beaches, read a letter into record on behalf of the Homeless and Housing Alliance that addressed the use of HOME Program funds and requested the County to utilize those funds to create a tenant based rental assistance program. Mr. Serrano confirmed that Ms. Wendy Tippet of Adopt-A-Family of the Palm Beaches intends to submit the letter to the DES Director by mail.

## **ESG SPECIFIC MEETINGS**

### **1. Homeless and Housing Alliance Grant Review Committee Meeting 1:**

Date: May 22, 2013  
Time: 9:00 a.m.  
Location: 1440 Martin Luther King Boulevard, Riviera Beach, FL 33404

#### **Purpose:**

The Homeless and Housing Alliance Grant Review Committee consists of five (5) individuals who are appointed by the Homeless and Housing Alliance and whose sole purpose is to review the applications for ESG funding which were submitted in response to a NOFA published on April 7, 2013. The committee was chaired by Ms. Kasha Owers of the United Way. All members are non-conflict in that neither themselves nor the organizations which they represent have applied for ESG funding. On May 22, 2013, the Committee met in a public meeting to review and rank the thirteen (13) applications received and to make funding recommendations. Prior to initiating discussions amongst the committee members to arrive at funding recommendations, the chairman, solicited comments from the public on their application among other things.

#### **Public Input Received:**

Greg Rydman, of The Salvation Army, informed the Committee that the comparatively large amount of funding requested in the application was to compensate for the anticipated loss in funding to the agency's HUD SHP Renewal Project. However, this fear did not materialized as the project has been awarded funding under the SHP Renewal process. He requested the committee keep this is mind when reviewing their application.

#### **Actions Taken to Address Comments:**

The Committee deliberated amongst themselves, discussing each application individually and subsequently arrived at the following funding recommendations: Aid to Victims of Domestic Abuse - \$23,440; Adopt-A-Family - \$91,917; Children's home Society - \$13,599; Children's Case Management (dba Families First) - \$19,699; Center for Family Services - \$62,280; Vita Nova - \$69,502; Salvation Army - \$60,958; Coalition for Independent Living Options - \$23,137; the Lord's Place (Recovery Center) - \$27,928; the Lord's Place (Family Center) - \$27,928; Children's Place at Home Safe - \$22,528; Young Women's Christian Association - \$22,810; and Farmworkers Coordinating Council - \$6,250.

### **2. Homeless and Housing Alliance Grant Review Committee Meeting 2:**

Date: June 3, 2013  
Time: 1:00 p.m.  
Location: 810 Datura St. West Palm Beach, FL 33401



Purpose:

At its first meeting held on May 22, 2013, the Committee made funding recommendations based on the same level of funding received in FY 2012-2013. When HUD subsequently officially announced the FY 2013-2014 ESG grant allocation it reflected a twenty-six percent (26%) reduction below the FY 2012-2013 grant amount. Therefore, the Homeless and Housing Alliance Grant Review Committee held an emergency meeting to discuss and revise the previously made funding recommendations. The Chairman solicited comments from the public prior to the committee embarking on the process of revising its funding recommendations.

Public Input Received:

- Diana Stanley, of The Lord's Place, commented that the reduction in the amount of funding awarded to her agency will adversely impact its ability to carry out the funded program. She also commented on the agency's application score which she stated was lower than it should have been since it wrongly reflected a finding from a monitoring which was subsequently resolved.
- Maite Reyes-Coles, of Coalition for Independent Living Options, commented that if their funding was reduced, the number of persons the agency plans to serve would also be reduced.
- Sergio Palacio, of Farmworker Coordinating Council, commented that the agency received funding in FY 2011, but not in FY 2012 because they missed the application deadline. The agency requested \$25,000 in ESG funding and asked the Committee to consider funding the full amount even though the County's ESG allocation was reduced.
- Cheri Zettle, of Aid to Victims of Domestic Abuse, explained to the Committee that the need for Emergency Shelter for Victims of Domestic Violence has increased and funds will be used to keep its shelters operational.

Actions Taken to Address Comments:

After listening to all of the comments which were aired, the Committee discussed the funding recommendations and arrived at the following: Aid to Victims of Domestic Abuse - \$21,096; Adopt-A-Family - \$71,695; Children's Home Society - \$12,239; Children's Case Management (dba Families First) - \$14,112; Center for Family Services - \$44,125; Vita Nova - \$49,873; Salvation Army - \$44,456; Coalition for Independent Living Options - \$15,869; The Lord's Place (Recovery Center) - \$20,367; The Lord's Place (Family Program) - \$20,367; Children's Place at Home Safe- \$16,429; Young Women's Christian Association (YWCA) - \$9,701; and Farmworkers Coordinating Council - \$3,880.

**Draft Action Plan Meeting:**

Date: June 26, 2013

Time: 1:30 pm

Location: Airport Center Complex, 100 Australian Ave., Suite 1-470, West Palm Beach, FL 33406

Mr. Serrano explained the purpose of the meeting, which was to present the funding recommendations for the CDBG, ESG, and HOME Programs and receive public comments

on the FY 2013-2014 Draft Action Plan. The Action Plan is required by HUD and serves as a consolidated application for CDBG, ESG, and HOME Program funding. The plan identifies objectives, proposed accomplishments, the uses, and recipients of funding under the three programs. It outlines the County's long-term and short-term community development goals and objectives that have been developed to address the national goals of the CDBG Program, specifically: the provision of decent housing; creation of a suitable living environment; and expanding economic opportunities.

Mr. Serrano chronicled the previously held public workshop and meetings and their purpose. He explained that the Draft Action Plan was made available to the public for review and comments on June 15<sup>th</sup> via the DES website and that this was advertised via a public notice in the Palm Beach Post on June 16, 2013. The public comment period will end on July 15<sup>th</sup> and staff will present the draft Plan to the BCC for final approval on July 16, 2013.

Funding strategies for the CDBG Program that were provided by the BCC at the March 26, 2013 Workshop include: continue to fund demolition, but provide no CDBG funding for housing rehabilitation; increase funding set aside for economic development; maintain current allocations to Local Entitlement Municipalities based on contribution to overall CDBG grant; maintain the current level of funding for projects implemented by County departments; rotate the annual Special Area of Hope Program Allocation between all 8 Local Entitlement Municipalities; allocate Public Service funds for the Philip D. Lewis Center and current non-profit Public Service partner agencies. Based on the directions received from the BCC, the following CDBG funding categories and allocations are as follows: Countywide Housing Activities \$135,000, Economic Development \$1,110,973, Public Services and Lewis Center \$1,239,259, Local Municipalities \$1,124,271, County Initiated Projects \$1,834,337, and Special Area of Hope \$473,377.

For the ESG Program, Mr. Serrano explained that the Palm Beach County Division of Human Services (DHS) now administers the Emergency Solutions Grant. Funding priorities are made by the PBC Housing & Homeless Alliance (HHA) and funding recommendations by the ESG Non-conflict Grant Review Committee. The HHA prioritized the following ESG activities: emergency shelter, homeless prevention & rapid re-housing, and CMIS. The ESG Non-conflict Grant Review Committee made the following funding recommendations: HMIS (211 Palm Beach/Treasure Coast) \$19,770, Adopt-A-Family \$71,695, Aid to Victims of Domestic Abuse \$21,096, Center for Family Services \$44,126, Coalition for Independent Living Options \$15,869, Children's Home Society \$12,239, Families First \$14,112, Farmworker Coordinating Council \$3,880, Home Safe \$16,429, Lord's Place – Recovery Center \$20,367, Lord's Place – Family Campus \$20,367, The Salvation Army \$44,456, Vita Nova \$48,873, YWCA \$9,701. The ESG Grant for FY 13-14 is \$393,491, which is 26% less than the prior year's award.

The County anticipates receiving \$1,592,579 in HOME Program funding. Mr. Serrano provided funding allocations as follows: Rental Development/Rehabilitation \$1,114,807, CHDO Activities \$238,887, CHDO Operating Costs \$79,628, and, program administration \$159,257.

Mr. Serrano opened the floor for questions and then provided instructions about how to

submit feedback to the department on the Action Plan. No questions were received.

**Board of County Commissioners (BCC) Public Hearing:**

Date: July 16, 2013

Time: 9:00 am

Location: PBC Governmental Center, 301 N. Olive Avenue, West Palm Beach, FL  
33401

The purpose of the hearing was to obtain BCC approval of the FY 2013-2014 Palm Beach County Action Plan and obtain any final public input on the Plan. No comments were submitted by the public concerning the Plan. The Plan was passed unanimously by the BCC.











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This ad serves as official notice that the administration of the estate of ISRAEL SCHWARTZ, deceased, File Number 502012CP003061XXXMB, is pending in the Circuit Court for Palm Beach County, Florida, Probate Division 1B, the address of which is 205 North Dixie Highway, West Palm Beach, FL 33401. The address of the personal representative, Rose Axelsson, is 6392 Mill Pointe Circle, Delray Beach, FL 33484. The address of personal representative's attorney, Jeffrey M. Axelsson, Esq., is 401 N. Washington St., Suite 550, Rockville, Maryland 20850. The date of the first publication is: March 31, 2013. ALL CLAIMS NOT SO FILED WITHIN THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH IN SECTIONS 733.702 AND 733.710 OF THE FLORIDA PROBATE CODE WILL BE FOREVER BARRED.

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A REQUEST FOR DOCUMENTS should be directed to Mr. Joe V. Rodriguez at SFRTA, 800 N.W. 33 Street, Pompano Beach, Florida 33069-1788 7975. Solicitation documents will be available on April 10, 2013.

A PRE-SUBMITTAL CONFERENCE will be held in the SFRTA Board Room at the address above on April 17, 2013 at 10:00 A.M. The purpose of the meeting will be for SFRTA to respond to questions from document holders and clarify requirements in an open forum. Attendance is not mandatory but is recommended.

RECEIPT OF RFP SUBMITTAL: All RFP Submittals must be received as per the RFP instructions no later than 5:00 P.M. Eastern Time on May 7, 2013 at the SFRTA office in Pompano Beach.

SFRTA reserves the right to postpone, accept, or reject any and all RFP Submittals in whole or in part. All Proposers must certify that they are not on the State of Florida Comptroller General's List of Ineligible Bidders. All RFP Submittals shall remain in effect for One Hundred Eighty (180) days from the RFP submission due date.

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Christopher C. Cross, CPOD Director, Procurement PUB: The Palm Beach Post 4-7/2013 #73903

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Bid proposals must be submitted on the forms provided by Palm Beach County and accompanied by a bid bond security in favor of Palm Beach County in the amount of not less than five percent (5%) of the bid price. A public construction bond (100%) will be required within fourteen calendar days of notification from County. Bidders are invited to attend a non-mandatory pre-bid conference to be held on April 17, 2013 at 10:00 AM at the address listed below. A non-mandatory site visit will be scheduled at the conclusion of this conference. Attendance at this pre-bid conference is recommended and encouraged. Palm Beach County Water Treatment Plant 2 2956 Pinehurst Drive West Palm Beach, FL 33407 The Board of County Commissioners reserves the right to waive any bid irregularities, informalities, or technical deficiencies and to reject any and all bids.

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Related documents are available for inspection and copying in the office of the Village Clerk at the Village Hall, Monday through Friday during normal business hours of 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. The Public Hearing may be continued from time to time, as necessary. All interested persons are encouraged to come to the Public Hearing and be heard.

If a person decides to appeal any decision made by the Tequesta Local Planning Agency with respect to any matter considered at this meeting or hearing, he or she will need to insure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record should include the testimony and evidence from which the appeal is to be based. The Village of Tequesta does not provide such a record.

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In compliance with the Special Districts General Provisions Act of 1990 Florida Statutes Section 189.417, we are furnishing you with the following meeting date, time and location of the Board of Supervisors of the Lake Worth Drainage District.

NOTICE OF MONTHLY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING OF THE LAKE WORTH DRAINAGE DISTRICT

Pursuant to Chapter 989.525 and Chapter 99.422, Laws of Florida, notice is hereby given that the Board of Supervisors of the Lake Worth Drainage District will be holding its monthly meeting at 8:30 A.M., Wednesday, April 17, 2013, at the District office at 1501 N. Delray Beach, Florida. Persons with disabilities who need assistance may contact Joann M. Aylor, Senior Administrative Assistant, at 561-737-3835, at least two business days in advance of the meeting to make arrangements. If any person decides to appeal any decision considered at this meeting, that person may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based. The District does not provide such a record. (F.S. 286.0105)

LAKE WORTH DRAINAGE DISTRICT Robert M. Bock, CPOD Executive Director

PUB: The Palm Beach Post 4-7/2013 #69984

Legal Notices

INVITATION TO BID NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the Board of Commissioners, Palm Beach County, State of Florida, will receive sealed bids from qualified Contractors, at:

Palm Beach County Department of Airports 846 Palm Beach International Airport West Palm Beach, Florida 33406 until the hour of 2:00 P.M. Local Time, on May 7, 2013 and said bids will be opened and publicly read immediately thereafter at a conference room at the above address, on the same day for: Wetland Wildlife Hazard Mitigation North Palm Beach County General Aviation Airport located at 12300 Forest Hill Boulevard, West Palm Beach County Project No. NC 13-3 Palm Beach County Department of Airports The project generally consists of: Clearing and grubbing, filling and grading of existing wetlands/wildlife hazards, modifying existing stormwater system components, installing new drainage structures and pipe, erosion and sediment control and seeding. In recognition of the importance of an available work force with proper skills, and the desire to provide employment opportunities for county residents, the bidders agree to employ skilled craftsman in the performance of the work. The work must conform to plans and specifications, which may be obtained or examined on or after April 8, 2013 at:

ALPA GROUP INCORPORATED 2000 Palm Beach Lakes Blvd., Suite 600 West Palm Beach, Florida 33409 Contact Person: Sonia M. Guerra (SMGuerra@bakercorp.com) Telephone: (561) 227-4300 Fax: (561) 686-5131 Hours: 8:30 AM to 5:00 PM A non-refundable service charge of \$100.00 per set of plans and specifications (including shipping) is required.

Bid proposals must be submitted on the forms provided by Palm Beach County and accompanied by a bid security in the form of a certified check, cashier's check, money order or a bid bond submitted on the form provided by Palm Beach County in the amount of not less than five percent (5%) of the base bid price. All bids must be submitted in a sealed envelope as described in the INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS. Bidders are encouraged to attend a Pre-bid Conference to be held at 2:00 PM Local Time, on April 16, 2013 in the Department's main conference room. Interested individuals can contact the Department of Airports for directions: Palm Beach County Department of Airports 846 Palm Beach International Airport West Palm Beach, Florida 33406 (561) 471-7400

The Disadvantaged Business Enterprise goal is 18% for each phase of the Contract. All Bidders must be licensed in accordance with Florida Laws at the time of bid submission.

This project is funded under provisions of the Airport and Airway Safety and Capacity Act of 1987. Certain mandatory federal requirements apply to this solicitation and will be made a part of any contract awarded: a. Presidents Executive Order No. 11246 as amended by 29 CFR Part 30 and 41 CFR Part 60. b. Davis Bacon and Related Acts, 29 CFR Parts 1, 3 and 5. c. Copeland Act, 29 CFR Part 3. d. Contact Work Hours and Safety Standards Act. e. Title VI of Civil Rights Act of 1964. f. Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (DBE) participation will be required in all contract amendments. g. Buy American - Steel and Manufactured Products for Construction. By Order of the Board of Commissioners, Palm Beach County, Florida. BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS Palm Beach County, Florida PUB: The Palm Beach Post 4-7, 4-14/2013 #73826

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LEGAL AD PALM BEACH COUNTY ZONING COMMISSION AND

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS Pursuant to Chapter 125, F.S.; Chapter 163, F.S.; the Palm Beach County Unified Land Development Code (Ordinance 2003-067, as amended), and other authority, the Zoning Commission and the Board of County Commissioners give notice that public hearings will be held to consider resolutions on the below listed requests for Official Zoning Map Amendments (rezonings). Conditional Uses, Requested Uses, Planned Developments, Development Order Amendments, Type II Variances, Waiver Requests and Administrative Inquiries. Said public hearings to be held as follows: Location 1. Floor Commission Chambers, Governmental Center, 301 N. Olive Ave., West Palm Beach, FL Thursday April 25, 2013 public hearing will be held before the Palm Beach County Board of County Commissioners at 9:30 A.M. to review, hear and consider the requests, to exercise such powers and duties in accordance with Article 2.A.1.D. of the Palm Beach County Unified Land Development Code, and to take such other appropriate and lawful action including continuing said public hearing from time to time upon a continuance. The Board duly passed and approved.

Interested parties may appear and be heard at the hearing with respect to the proposed resolutions. The resolutions and files for the applications may be inspected at the Planning, Zoning and Building Department located at 2300 N. Jog Road, West Palm Beach, Florida 33411, weekdays between the hours of 8:00 A.M. and 4:00 P.M. For further information regarding any request listed below, please contact the Palm Beach County Zoning Division at 233-5041.

Appeals If a person decides to appeal any decision made by the Board with respect to any matter considered at such hearing, he/she will need a record of the proceedings and for such purpose may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made which includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based. All appeals must be filed in accordance with the applicable provisions of the Palm Beach County Unified Land Development Code.

Consent Agenda - The Zoning Commission and Board of County Commissioners may take items in a different order than they appear on the agenda. "Consent Agenda" items will be reviewed during the first portion of each meeting. Individuals may express their comments concerning applications on courtesy notice forms available at the Zoning Division. EAC-2013-00156 Title: Resolution approving an Expedited Application Consideration application of Board of County Commissioners by Palm Beach County, Agent. Request: to delete Conditions of Approval (General, Design, Land Use, Planning, Compliance and Engineering) General Location: North and south sides of Westgate Avenue, east of Military Trail, west of Congress Avenue (WESTGATE CRA) (1994-00094) IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THE ADA, THIS DOCUMENT MAY BE REQUESTED IN AN ALTERNATIVE FORMAT. AUXILIARY AIDS OR SERVICES WILL BE PROVIDED UPON REQUEST WITH AT LEAST THREE DAYS NOTICE. PLEASE CONTACT 561-233-5041.

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Legal Notices

LEGAL NOTICE REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS (RFP# 020-13/ED)

Wellington Council is accepting sealed proposals from qualified firms to provide Foreclosure Registry Services. PROPOSAL SUBMISSION Proposals, one original and one electronic copy (CD) will be received by sealed envelope in the Wellington City Hall Clerk's Office, 12300 Forest Hill Boulevard, Wellington, Florida 33414 on or before 12:00 PM on Monday, April 8, 2013 at which time they will be opened and read. Proposals received after this time will not be considered and no time extensions will be permitted. Receipt of a response from any Wellington office, receptionist or personnel other than the Clerk's Office does not constitute "receipt" as required by the response. Please clearly mark proposals: FORECLOSURE REGISTRY SERVICES - RFP# 020-13/ED

Copies of this Proposal Document may be obtained via Onvia at www.demandstar.com or by visiting our website, http://wellingtonfl.gov or by contacting Ed De La Vega in the Purchasing Department at (561) 791-4055, edelavega@wellingtonfl.gov beginning on April 8, 2013.

EVALUATION COMMITTEE: An Evaluation Committee meeting will be held on May 15, 2013 at 2:00 PM local time at the Wellington City Hall building located at 12300 Forest Hill Boulevard, Wellington, FL 33414.

FOR INFORMATION For information on this Request for Proposal, contact Ed De La Vega in the Purchasing Division, (561) 791-4055.

ACCEPTANCE AND REJECTIONS When it is in its best interest, Wellington reserves the right to reject any or all proposals with or without cause; to cancel the RFP and re-solicit the services; to waive any or all irregularities with regard to the specifications; and to make the award to the firm offering the greatest advantage to the Wellington.

PUB: The Palm Beach Post 4-7/2013 #73515

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NOTICE OF A MEETING OF THE VALUE ADJUSTMENT BOARD, PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA The Value Adjustment Board of Palm Beach County, FL, will hold a meeting on Wednesday, April 17, 2013, at 1:00 p.m. on the 12th floor in the McCadday Conference Room, Governmental Center, 30 North Olive Avenue, West Palm Beach, Florida. The meeting is called to approve the special magistrates' recommendations and to deny petitions for non-payment of taxes. Deadlines due by April 1, 2013. All meetings of the Value Adjustment Board are open to the public in accord with Florida's Public Records and Open Meetings' Laws.

SHARON R. BOCK Constitutional Clerk & Comptroller PUB: The Palm Beach Post 4-07/2013 #73128

TOWN OF PALM BEACH Advertisement for Request for Proposal for Personnel Services RFP No. 2013-21 Temporary Personnel Services

Proposals for Temporary Personnel Services will be received by the Town of Palm Beach at the Office of the Purchasing Agent, 951 Okeechobee Road, Suite D, West Palm Beach, Florida 33401, until 2:00 P. M. May 1, 2013.

The Town of Palm Beach, Florida is soliciting requests for Proposals (RFP) for Temporary Personnel Services for clerical, secretarial, data entry clerks, account clerks and various paraprofessional and administrative employees. Time of the essence and any proposal received after 2:00 p.m. on May 1, 2013, whether by mail or otherwise, will be returned unopened. Proposers are responsible for ensuring that their proposal is stamped by Purchasing Office personnel by the deadline indicated. An original and five (5) copies with one (1) electronic copy (USB flash drive or CD) of the proposal shall be submitted in sealed envelopes/packages addressed to Adis Pedraza, Asst. Purchasing Agent, Town of Palm Beach, Florida, and marked "RFP No. 2013-21 - Temporary Personnel Services." Proposers desiring a copy of the proposal should request such documents by visiting the Town's website at www.townofpalmbeach.com, (click "Doing Business," click "Sealed Bids / Request for Proposals" and follow the Instructions). The Purchasing Office is located at 951 Okeechobee Road, Suite D, West Palm Beach, Florida 33401. Telephone (561) 838-5406. Adis Pedraza, Asst. Purchasing Agent PUB: The Palm Beach Post 3-31,4-07/2013 #71302

LEGAL NOTICE OF PROPOSED ORDINANCE TOWN OF LAKE PARK

Please take notice that on Wednesday, April 17, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. or soon thereafter the Town Commission, of the Town of Lake Park, Florida, in a regular session to be held in the Commission Chambers, Town Hall, 535 Park Avenue, Lake Park, Florida will consider the following Ordinances on second reading and proposed adoption thereof:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF LAKE PARK, FLORIDA, AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE TOWN OF LAKE PARK, CHAPTER 10, ARTICLE IV, SECTION 4, ENTITLED "FILLING OF VACANCY ON COMMISSION"; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR THE REPEAL OF LAWS IN CONFLICT; PROVIDING FOR CODIFICATION; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

If a person decides to appeal any decision made by the Town Commission with respect to any hearing, they will need a record of the proceedings and for such purpose may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based. For additional information, please contact Vivian Mendez, Town Clerk at 561-881-3311.

Vivian Mendez, CMC, Town Clerk Town of Lake Park, Florida

PUB: The Palm Beach Post 4-7/2013 #73611

NO. 43180 LEGAL NOTICE LANDOWNERS IN INDIAN TRAIL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT

Please be advised that the INDIAN TRAIL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT will be applying approved aquatic herbicides in its canal system during the period of Monday through Friday. Affected landowners are hereby forbidden to use the water from the canals of the INDIAN TRAIL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT for overhead sprinkling purposes or for use of said water in any other spraying purposes. Be it known that any individual or corporate person using the waters in the canals of the INDIAN TRAIL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT as aforesaid, do the same at their own risk, and any and all parties so engaged are hereby directed to cease and desist from such practices. INDIAN TRAIL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT Board of Supervisors April 7, 14, 21, & 28, 2013

Notice of RFP No. 2013-BRAA-003 - the Boca Raton Airport Authority invites qualified persons and legal entities to submit Proposals to construct and install two monuments for the Boca Raton Airport. The RFP can be found at www.bocaairport.com. PUB: The Palm Beach Post March 24, April 7, 2013

Legal Notices

NO. 69651 LEGAL ANNOUNCEMENT FOR SOLICITATION OF GOODS AND SERVICES PALM BEACH COUNTY

Palm Beach County is announcing the availability of business opportunities, which can be obtained through the County's Purchasing Department Website at www.pbpcgov.com/purchasing. Vendors may access and download requests for Quotations / Submittals and Invitation for Bids/ Request for Proposals free of charge from the Website listed under "Business Opportunities." Internet access is available at all branches of the Palm Beach County Library System. It is recommended that vendors visit our Website frequently to view newly posted solicitations, amendments, revised bid opening or proposal submittal dates, and other information that may be subject to change. Interested parties may also visit, call or write: Palm Beach County Purchasing Department 50 South Military Trail, Suite 110 West Palm Beach, FL 33415-3199 Phone Number: 561-616-6800 Fax Number: 561-616-6811

For vendors wanting a paper copy of a solicitation, there is a non-refundable fee for Requests for Quotes, Invitations for Bids, Requests for Submittals and Requests for Proposals. Palm Beach County is implementing an On-Line Vendor Self Service (VSS) system enabling you to register, update and review your account information. Watch this page for upcoming VSS news and system availability for On-Line Registration. Vendors wanting to register with the County, or to learn about the non-construction related goods and services that are solicited through the Purchasing Department or to obtain information on opportunities for Small Business Enterprises can visit our Website at www.pbpcgov.com/purchasing and click on "Vendor Resources" PUB: The Palm Beach Post April 7, 2013

LEGAL NOTICE LANDOWNERS IN LAKE WORTH DRAINAGE DISTRICT Please be advised that the Lake Worth Drainage District will be applying approved aquatic herbicides in its canal system during the period of Monday through Friday. Affected landowners are hereby forbidden to use the water from the canals of the Lake Worth Drainage District as aforesaid, do the same at their own risk, and any and all parties so engaged are hereby directed to cease and desist from such practices. LAKE WORTH DRAINAGE DISTRICT Harry Raucher, President Board of Supervisors

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STATE OF FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION NOTICE OF PROPOSED AGENCY ACTION

The Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) gives notice that it proposes to approve a No Further Action Proposal with Institutional Controls and issue a Site Rehabilitation Completion Order with controls for a contaminated site. Centex Homes is seeking this Declaration in reference to FDEP Site ID #COM\_273336, Oakmont Estates and intends to restrict exposure to contamination, in part, through water use restrictions on (i) the Castellina subdivision, located near the intersection of Stribling Way and U.S. Route 441 in Wellington, Florida and (ii) that portion of Stribling Way immediately adjacent to the Oakmont Estates subdivision.

Complete copies of the No Further Action Proposal and proposed Amended and Restated Declaration of Restrictive Covenant for the Castellina subdivision, the proposed Declaration of Restrictive Covenant for the portion of the Stribling Way, and FDEP's preliminary evaluation are available for public inspection during normal business hours 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, except legal holidays at FDEP, Southeast District, 400 North Congress Avenue, Suite 200, West Palm Beach, Florida 33401-2913.

Local governments with jurisdiction over the property subject to the Institutional Control, real property owner(s) of any property subject to the Institutional Control, and residents of any property subject to the Institutional Control have 30 days from publication of this notice to provide comments to FDEP. Such comments must be sent to Paul Wierzbicki, Florida Department of Environmental Protection, Southeast District, 400 North Congress Avenue, Suite 200, West Palm Beach, Florida 33411-2913 or via email at Paul.Wierzbicki@dep.state.fl.us. PUB: The Palm Beach Post 4-7/2013 #73555

PALM BEACH COUNTY DIVISION OF HUMAN AND VETERAN SERVICES FUNDING AVAILABILITY

Applications to request funding for Fiscal Year 2013-2014 (October 1, 2013- September 30, 2014) for the Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) are now available. EMERGENCY SOLUTIONS GRANT (ESG) provides funding to improve the number and quality of emergency shelters for homeless individuals and families; help operate these shelters; provide essential services to shelter residents; rapidly re-house homeless individuals and families; and prevent families and individuals from becoming homeless. Eligible Applicants: Non-profit Organizations Categories of Eligible Activities: a) Emergency Shelter b) Homeless Prevention, and c) Rapid Re-housing. The requirements for matching ESG funds are described in section 576.201 of the ESG Interim Rules and the requirements for documenting matching contributions are described in section 576.000(c). The ESG Interim rule can be found at https://www.onecdp.info/resource/1927/health-esg-program-consolidated-plan-conforming-amendments APPLICATIONS Applications and attachments can be found online at the Homeless and Housing Alliance website: www.hhappc.org or can be picked up Monday-Friday 8:00 am - 4:30 pm at Human Services Office, 818 Satura Street, Suite 350, West Palm Beach, FL 33401 DEADLINE DATE Completed applications, one original and five copies, must be received at Human Services located at 810 Datura Street, Suite 350, West Palm Beach, Florida 33401 by 12:00 p.m., Monday, April 29, 2013. No applications will be accepted after 12:00 p.m. Applications cannot be faxed or emailed. Technical Assistance Contact Division staff at (561) 355-9901 or mparnell@pbpcgov.org. In accordance with the provisions of the ADA, this aid and documents listed can be requested in an alternative format. Auxiliary aids or services will be provided upon request with at least three days notice. (Contact Human Services at (561) 355-9901 or mparnell@pbpcgov.org) PUB: The Palm Beach Post 4-7/2013 #73670

Legal Notices

CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FOR VOLUNTARY BENEFITS PROGRAMS

The City of Riviera Beach invites qualified firms or individuals licensed by the State of Florida to submit proposals for Voluntary Benefit programs for the employees and their dependents. This solicitation provides guidelines for submission and outlines the essential services desired for the engagement. Submittals will be accepted at the City of Riviera Beach, Office of the City Clerk, 600 West Blue Heron Boulevard, Suite #140, Riviera Beach, FL 33404, until 2:30 pm (EST) Tuesday, May 7, 2013. This Public Solicitation document, including a scope of services may be obtained by visiting the City's website at www.rivierabch.com; via email at gwilliams@rivierabch.com or by calling (561) 845-4180. website: www.rivierabch.com PUB: The Palm Beach Post 4-7, 4-14/2013 #74088

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RIVIERA BEACH COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS FOR PUBLIC RELATIONS AND MARKETING SERVICES (RFP NO. 390-13)

CONTACT PERSON: Pamela Daley, Senior Procurement Specialist (561) 845-4180, Phone (561) 842-5105, Fax pdaley@rivierabch.com The City of Riviera Beach Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA) invites qualified Public Relation and/or Marketing firms or individuals to provide public relations/marketing services for CRA projects. This solicitation provides guidelines for submission and outlines the essential services desired for the engagement. Submittals will be accepted at the City of Riviera Beach, Office of the City Clerk, 600 West Blue Heron Boulevard, Suite #140, Riviera Beach, FL 33404, until 4:30 pm (EST) Monday, April 29, 2013. Late submittals will not be accepted or considered.

This Public Solicitation document, including a scope of services, may be obtained at the City of Riviera Beach, Purchasing Department, 2391 Avenue "L", Riviera Beach, FL 33404. Additionally, submittals may be obtained by visiting the City's website at www.rivierabch.com or the CRA website at www.rcbra.com. Responses shall be prepared, addressed and submitted in compliance with the instructions set forth in the solicitation documents. The City of Riviera Beach CRA reserves the right to reject any or all submittals and to waive technicalities, if such measures are deemed appropriate and in the best interest of the CRA.

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## Legal Foreclosures

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE  
FIFTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND  
FOR PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA  
CASE NO: 502008CA010930XXXXMB  
BANK OF AMERICA, N.A.  
SUCCESSOR BY CASE NO:  
502008CA010930XXXXMB MERGER  
TO BAC HOME LOANS SERVICING, LP  
F/K/A COUNTRYWIDE HOME LOANS  
SERVICING LP  
Plaintiff(s),  
vs.  
JOSE VASCONCELOS; et al.,

**Defendants(s).**

**NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE**  
**PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 45**  
**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that sale will be made pursuant to an Order or Final Judgment of the Circuit Court of the First Judicial District of the State of Florida entered on April 04, 2013 in Civil Case No. 502008CA10930XXXXMB, of the Circuit Court of the FIFTEENTH Judicial Circuit in and for PALM BEACH COUNTY, Florida, wherein, BANK OF AMERICA, N.A. SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS, as PLAINTIFF, VS. HOME LOANS SERVICING, LP f/k/a COUNTRYWIDE HOME LOANS SERVICING LP is the Plaintiff, and, JOSE VASCONCELOS; LELITA VASCONCELOS; COLONIAL BANK N.A.; SANDALFOOT SOUTH THREE LLC; AND UNKNOWN DEFENDANT(S) IN POSSESSION are Defendant.

The clerk of the court, Sharon R. Bock, will sell to the highest bidder for cash online at [www.mypalmbeachclerk.com](http://www.mypalmbeachclerk.com), [clerkauction.com](http://clerkauction.com) at 10:00 AM on May 20, 2013, the following described real property as set forth in said Final Judgment of the Court, Final Judgment No. 502008CA10930XXXXMB, CONDOMINIUM PARCEL NO. 1519, BUILDING TEAKWOOD OF SANDALFOOT SOUTH THREE, A CONDOMINIUM, ACCORDING TO THE DECLARATION THEREOF RECORDED IN OFFICIAL RECORDS BOOK 2237, PAGE 62, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA.

ANY PERSON CLAIMING AN INTEREST IN THE SURPLUS FROM THE SALE, IF ANY, OTHER THAN THE PROPERTY OWNER AS OF THE DATE OF THE LIENS PENDING MUST FILE A CLAIM WITHIN 60 DAYS AFTER THE SALE.

For more information, call 761-392-6961 or visit [www.aclaawllp.com](http://www.aclaawllp.com), 2013.  
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**IMPORTANT**

If you are a person with a disability who needs special accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact Dominique March, Americans with Disabilities Act Coordinator, Palm Beach County Clerk of Courts, 400 North Dixie Highway West Palm Beach, Florida 33401, telephone number (561) 355 4380 at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days; if you are hearing or visually impaired, call 711.

**PUB:** The Palm Beach Post  
4-28, 5-5/2013 #08078

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE  
NINETEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN  
AND FOR SAINT LUCIE COUNTY,  
FLORIDA  
GENERAL JURISDICTION DIVISION

Case No. 2012 CA 003954  
Deutsche Bank National Trust  
Company as Trustee for the  
Certificateholders of Impac Secured  
Assets Corp., Mortgage Pass-Through  
Certificates, Series 2007-1,  
**Plaintiff,**

ertified with the Engineer  
Public Works Department

vs.  
**Lester Varney aka Lester W. Varney,  
et al,**  
Defendants.

**NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE**  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Summary Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated April 16, 2013, entered in Case No. 2012 CA 003954 of the Circuit Court of the Nineteenth Judicial Circuit, in and for Saint Lucie County, Florida, wherein Deutsche Bank National Trust Company as Mortgagee is the Plaintiff and Lester Varney aka Lester W. Varney; Gina Varney aka Gina R. Varney; City of Port St. Lucie, Florida; Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as nominee for Decision One Mortgage Company, Inc. are the Defendants, that the Clerk of Courts will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at, the Jury Assembly Room, First Floor, 218 South Second Street, Port Pierce, FL 34950, beginning at 11:00 AM on the 14th day of June, 2013, the following described property as set forth in said final judgment, to wit:  
1.00 AC. LOC. 10, PORT ST. LUCIE SECTION THIRTY FIVE, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF, RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 15, PAGES 10, 10A, 10B, 10C, 10D, 10E, 10F, 10G, 10H, 10I, 10J, 10K, 10L, 10M, 10N, 10O, 10P, 10Q, 10R, 10S, 10T, 10U, 10V, 10W, 10X, 10Y, 10Z, 10AA, 10AB, 10AC, 10AD, 10AE, 10AF, 10AG, 10AH, 10AI, 10AJ, 10AK, 10AL, 10AM, 10AN, 10AO, 10AP, 10AQ, 10AR, 10AS, 10AT, 10AU, 10AV, 10AW, 10AX, 10AY, 10AZ, 10BA, 10BB, 10BC, 10BD, 10BE, 10BF, 10BG, 10BH, 10BI, 10BJ, 10BK, 10BL, 10BM, 10BN, 10BO, 10BP, 10BQ, 10BR, 10BS, 10BT, 10BU, 10BV, 10BW, 10BX, 10BY, 10BZ, 10CA, 10CB, 10CC, 10CD, 10CE, 10CF, 10CG, 10CH, 10CI, 10CJ, 10CK, 10CL, 10CM, 10CN, 10CO, 10CP, 10CQ, 10CR, 10CS, 10CT, 10CU, 10CV, 10CW, 10CX, 10CY, 10CZ, 10DA, 10DB, 10DC, 10DD, 10DE, 10DF, 10DG, 10DH, 10DI, 10DJ, 10DK, 10DL, 10DM, 10DN, 10DO, 10DP, 10DQ, 10DR, 10DS, 10DT, 10DU, 10DV, 10DW, 10DX, 10DY, 10DZ, 10EA, 10EB, 10EC, 10ED, 10EE, 10EF, 10EG, 10EH, 10EI, 10EJ, 10EK, 10EL, 10EM, 10EN, 10EO, 10EP, 10EQ, 10ER, 10ES, 10ET, 10EU, 10EV, 10EW, 10EX, 10EY, 10EZ, 10FA, 10FB, 10FC, 10FD, 10FE, 10FF, 10FG, 10FH, 10FI, 10FJ, 10FK, 10FL, 10FM, 10FN, 10FO, 10FP, 10FQ, 10FR, 10FS, 10FT, 10FU, 10FV, 10FW, 10FX, 10FY, 10FZ, 10GA, 10GB, 10GC, 10GD, 10GE, 10GF, 10GG, 10GH, 10GI, 10GJ, 10GK, 10GL, 10GM, 10GN, 10GO, 10GP, 10GQ, 10GR, 10GS, 10GT, 10GU, 10GV, 10GW, 10GX, 10GY, 10GZ, 10HA, 10HB, 10HC, 10HD, 10HE, 10HF, 10HG, 10HI, 10HJ, 10HK, 10HL, 10HM, 10HN, 10HO, 10HP, 10HQ, 10HR, 10HS, 10HT, 10HU, 10HV, 10HW, 10HX, 10HY, 10HZ, 10IA, 10IB, 10IC, 10ID, 10IE, 10IF, 10IG, 10IH, 10IJ, 10IK, 10IL, 10IM, 10IN, 10IO, 10IP, 10IQ, 10IR, 10IS, 10IT, 10IU, 10IV, 10IW, 10IX, 10IY, 10IZ, 10JA, 10JB, 10JC, 10JD, 10JE, 10JF, 10JG, 10JH, 10JI, 10JJ, 10JK, 10JL, 10JM, 10JN, 10JO, 10JP, 10JQ, 10JR, 10JS, 10JT, 10JU, 10JV, 10JW, 10JX, 10JY, 10JZ, 10KA, 10KB, 10KC, 10KD, 10KE, 10KF, 10KG, 10KH, 10KI, 10KJ, 10KK, 10KL, 10KM, 10KN, 10KO, 10KP, 10KQ, 10KR, 10KS, 10KT, 10KU, 10KV, 10KW, 10KX, 10KY, 10KZ, 10LA, 10LB, 10LC, 10LD, 10LE, 10LF, 10LG, 10LH, 10LI, 10LJ, 10LK, 10LL, 10LM, 10LN, 10LO, 10LP, 10LQ, 10LR, 10LS, 10LT, 10LU, 10LV, 10LW, 10LX, 10LY, 10LZ, 10MA, 10MB, 10MC, 10MD, 10ME, 10MF, 10MG, 10MH, 10MI, 10MJ, 10MK, 10ML, 10MN, 10MO, 10MP, 10MQ, 10MR, 10MS, 10MT, 10MU, 10MV, 10MW, 10MX, 10MY, 10MZ, 10NA, 10NB, 10NC, 10ND, 10NE, 10NF, 10NG, 10NH, 10NI, 10NJ, 10NK, 10NL, 10NM, 10NO, 10NP, 10NQ, 10NR, 10NS, 10NT, 10NU, 10NV, 10NW, 10NX, 10NY, 10NZ, 10OA, 10OB, 10OC, 10OD, 10OE, 10OF, 10OG, 10OH, 10OI, 10OJ, 10OK, 10OL, 10OM, 10ON, 10OO, 10OP, 10OQ, 10OR, 10OS, 10OT, 10OU, 10OV, 10OW, 10OX, 10OY, 10OZ, 10PA, 10PB, 10PC, 10PD, 10PE, 10PF, 10PG, 10PH, 10PI, 10PJ, 10PK, 10PL, 10PM, 10PN, 10PO, 10PP, 10PQ, 10PR, 10PS, 10PT, 10PU, 10PV, 10PW, 10PX, 10PY, 10PZ, 10QA, 10QB, 10QC, 10QD, 10QE, 10QF, 10QG, 10QH, 10QI, 10QJ, 10QK, 10QL, 10QM, 10QN, 10QO, 10QP, 10QQ, 10QR, 10QS, 10QT, 10QU, 10QV, 10QW, 10QX, 10QY, 10QZ, 10RA, 10RB, 10RC, 10RD, 10RE, 10RF, 10RG, 10RH, 10RI, 10RJ, 10RK, 10RL, 10RM, 10RN, 10RO, 10RP, 10RQ, 10RR, 10RS, 10RT, 10RU, 10RV, 10RW, 10RX, 10RY, 10RZ, 10SA, 10SB, 10SC, 10SD, 10SE, 10SF, 10SG, 10SH, 10SI, 10SJ, 10SK, 10SL, 10SM, 10SN, 10SO, 10SP, 10SQ, 10SR, 10SS, 10ST, 10SU, 10SV, 10SW, 10SX, 10SY, 10SZ, 10TA, 10TB, 10TC, 10TD, 10TE, 10TF, 10TG, 10TH, 10TI, 10TJ, 10TK, 10TL, 10TM, 10TN, 10TO, 10TP, 10TQ, 10TR, 10TS, 10TT, 10TU, 10TV, 10TW, 10TX, 10TY, 10TZ, 10UA, 10UB, 10UC, 10UD, 10UE, 10UF, 10UG, 10UH, 10UI, 10UJ, 10UK, 10UL, 10UM, 10UN, 10UO, 10UP, 10UQ, 10UR, 10US, 10UT, 10UU, 10UV, 10UW, 10UX, 10UY, 10UZ, 10VA, 10VB, 10VC, 10VD, 10VE, 10VF, 10VG, 10VH, 10VI, 10VJ, 10VK, 10VL, 10VM, 10VN, 10VO, 10VP, 10VQ, 10VR, 10VS, 10VT, 10VU, 10VV, 10VW, 10VX, 10VY, 10VZ, 10WA, 10WB, 10WC, 10WD, 10WE, 10WF, 10WG, 10WH, 10WI, 10WJ, 10WK, 10WL, 10WM, 10WN, 10WO, 10WP, 10WQ, 10WR, 10WS, 10WT, 10WU, 10WV, 10WW, 10WX, 10WY, 10WZ, 10XA, 10XB, 10XC, 10XD, 10XE, 10XF, 10XG, 10XH, 10XI, 10XJ, 10XK, 10XL, 10XM, 10XN, 10XO, 10XP, 10XQ, 10XR, 10XS, 10XT, 10XU, 10XV, 10XW, 10XX, 10XY, 10XZ, 10YA, 10YB, 10YC, 10YD, 10YE, 10YF, 10YG, 10YH, 10YI, 10YJ, 10YK, 10YL, 10YM, 10YN, 10YO, 10YP, 10YQ, 10YR, 10YS, 10YT, 10YU, 10YV, 10YW, 10YX, 10YY, 10YZ, 10ZA, 10ZB, 10ZC, 10ZD, 10ZE, 10ZF, 10ZG, 10ZH, 10ZI, 10ZJ, 10ZK, 10ZL, 10ZM, 10ZN, 10ZO, 10ZP, 10ZQ, 10ZR, 10ZS, 10ZT, 10ZU, 10ZV, 10ZW, 10ZX, 10ZY, 10ZZ, 10AAA, 10AAB, 10AAC, 10AAD, 10AAE, 10AAF, 10AAG, 10AAH, 10AAI, 10AAJ, 10AAK, 10AAL, 10AAM, 10AAN, 10AAO, 10AAP, 10AAQ, 10AAR, 10AAS, 10AAT, 10AAU, 10AAV, 10AAW, 10AAX, 10AAZ, 10AAA, 10AAB, 10AAC, 10AAD, 10AAE, 10AAF, 10AAG, 10AAH, 10AAI, 10AAJ, 10

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## Hospitals: Few pay full price

### Uninsured

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more likely to be saddled with what advocates say are bloated charges, designed to be a starting point for negotiation between hospitals and private insurers, or set by Medicare.

In Palm Beach County, hospitals routinely charged six to eight times the Medicare rate, and as high as 12 times the rate.

Take a simple-sounding diagnosis, like chest pain. Columbia Hospital (now West Palm) billed \$34,109 for the treatment. Medicare reimburses only \$3,763. A private insurer would likely pay closer to \$5,000.

Or look at dizziness or vertigo. Delray Beach Medical Center charged \$41,182 to treat it. Medicare paid \$3,654, less than a 10th of the full rate.

In Palm Beach County, Columbia Hospital, Delray Medical Center, JFK and Palms West each logged charges that were at least nine times greater than the Medicare rate.

“The patients who will get the bills for the full amounts are the uninsured, in many cases the most vulnerable in society,” said Brian Cook, a CMS spokesman.

The hospital industry argues that few patients are expected to pay full charges.

Hospital billing is important because families of 54 million Americans struggle to pay medical bills, according to a report released this month by the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, using 2012 data.

That number dropped slightly from 2011. Analysts fear fewer people in medical debt indicates that fewer people are getting medical treatment, in part because they may not have a job or employer-sponsored health care.

In Palm Beach County, about one in five residents has no health insurance, according to the county health care district.

The American Hospital Association argues there is no discrimination in billing. Every patient is billed the same charge, regardless of whether they have insurance, said Caroline Steinberg, a vice president at the association.

Each hospital has a master list of prices, derived from something called a chargemaster, which dictates what the hospital bills for supplies, drugs and every treatment involved in caring for a specific diagnosis.

The chargemaster represents the “kitchen sink” method of billing, said Dave Belk, a California internist who runs a site called truecostof-healthcare.org.

Different insurers and the government cover costs differently, so to ensure they get paid no matter the reimbursement criteria, Belk said, hospitals pile in any charge they think an insurance company or the government might pay.

Medicare rates are set by the government. Hospitals benefit because the government promises volume. And a private insurance company with a large share of the market gets a better rate because it agrees to include a hospital in its network.

People who have insurance are not immune to the effects of the chargemaster. If the hospital begins the negotiation with the insurance carrier at a higher price, even when the insurer haggles for a discount, it could end up paying more than if the hospital started with a lower price, said Robert Laszewski, a former health insurance executive and president of the consulting firm Health Policy and Strategy Associates.

### New hospital cost data

For the first time, the government released data on how much hospitals charge for the 100 most-commonly billed procedures. Here is a snapshot of two procedures with the full hospital charge and the Medicare reimbursement rate. Advocates say that the uninsured are the only Americans who get billed full charges. Local hospitals argued that, in most cases, uninsured patients are offered discounts or charity care.

| Hospitals                  | Charge billed to Medicare for dysequilibrium (or dizziness) | Medicare payment | Billed to Medicare for chest pain | Medicare payment |
|----------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------|
| Bethesda Memorial          | \$26,120                                                    | \$4,239          | \$21,285                          | \$3,619          |
| Boca Raton Regional        | \$18,231                                                    | \$3,711          | \$17,675                          | \$3,142          |
| Columbia Hospital          | n/a                                                         | n/a              | \$34,109                          | \$3,763          |
| Delray Medical             | \$41,182                                                    | \$3,654          | \$25,914                          | \$3,268          |
| Good Samaritan             | n/a                                                         | n/a              | \$25,812                          | \$3,669          |
| JFK Medical                | \$21,291                                                    | \$4,096          | \$24,178                          | \$3,736          |
| Jupiter Medical            | n/a                                                         | n/a              | \$19,745                          | \$3,594          |
| Lakeside Medical           | n/a                                                         | n/a              | \$16,744                          | \$4,239          |
| Palm Beach Gardens Medical | \$26,319                                                    | \$3,655          | \$26,127                          | \$3,146          |
| Palms West                 | \$41,469                                                    | \$4,568          | \$25,590                          | \$4,010          |
| St Mary's                  | n/a                                                         | n/a              | \$22,209                          | \$4,483          |
| Wellington Regional        | \$16,647                                                    | \$4,323          | \$16,969                          | \$3,727          |
| West Boca Medical          | \$20,857                                                    | \$3,870          | \$18,246                          | \$3,604          |
| Florida average            | \$23,464                                                    | \$4,071          | \$21,928                          | \$3,604          |
| United States average      | \$18,871                                                    | \$4,589          | \$16,948                          | \$3,912          |

Source: The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services

“It’s not a harmless little exercise here,” he said.

#### Wheeling, dealing

Linda Quick, president of South Florida Hospital & Healthcare Association, describes the conversation between insurers and hospitals as “wheeling and dealing, like you would do at a flea market.”

The insurer argues the care costs less than the hospital is charging. The hospital says yes, but not as little as you think. They haggle, and the insurance company ends up agreeing to pay far less than the raw charge price, but more than Medicare pays.

The uninsured don’t do as well at the health care flea market.

“They are a single buyer, so they don’t have any pull,” Quick said.

But the raw charges come from real costs that include everything needed to provide care: supplies, the workforce, the building’s mortgage, lights, administration, cleaning crew and food service, Quick said.

“Like any business, even a not-for-profit institution has to have more revenue come in than they have go out,” she said. “They charge something over and above the cost.”

Pat Palmer makes her living fighting her clients’ hospital bills and other medical charges as founder of Medical Billing Advocates of America. It is a fast-growing industry that serves uninsured clients as well as people who have plans with flimsy coverage or high deductibles that must be met before the insurer kicks in.

Palmer’s clients have brought her bills that charge three times for use of the same equipment, she said.

#### ‘No rhyme or reason’

The bill might contain \$150 a minute for the use of an operating room. Then there’s a separate charge for the ventilator or every piece of equipment, at least some of which ought to be covered in the room rate. Then the patient is also charged for a kit that contains much of the same equipment that the patient was billed for both separately and in the room rate.

“There’s no rhyme or reason for that amount,” Palmer said.

Looking at the charges is misleading because most patients do have insurance, and thus don’t pay the full charge. And for those who don’t, hospitals often provide charity care, said the AHA’s Steinberg.

A number of Palm Beach County hospitals agreed.

Among county hospitals, Delray Medical Center showed the greatest disparity between what it charges and what Medicare pays. For at least five diagnoses, from dizziness to circulatory problems, the hospital charge was 10 times higher than the Medicare reimbursement rate.

While full charges show up on the bill, the hospital cuts the price for uninsured patients close to rates paid by

those with private coverage, said a spokeswoman for Tenet Healthcare, which owns Delray Medical Center.

But when asked to provide the specific uninsured rates for those five procedures in which the charges seemed particularly high, spokeswoman Shelly Weiss said she could not.

#### Health is cost factor

That’s part of the problem for those uninsured people who need to know just how much debt they are going to assume before they can be treated.

“There’s really no clear way to give you a black and white answer,” Weiss said.

One reason, she said, is that a knee replacement will cost less for a healthy patient who plays tennis and is in and out of the hospital in three days. A 90-year-old who is overweight, diabetic and requires a more complicated treatment could end up in the hospital for 20 days, she said.

“It’s not you walk into a store and buy a knee replacement and it costs ‘X,’” she said.

Medicine is more complicated than going to a grocery to buy a carton of eggs, Weiss added.

But Holly Wollack, a Miami-based advocate who helps clients negotiate medical bills, said Americans would not tolerate it if grocery shelves contained no prices above the canned goods, no scales in the produce section.

“Would you go to the supermarket and fill up a cart of groceries and then take a ticket from a scanner for ‘food, paper goods, and other’ and they ask you to pay \$116?” she asked. “People do it at hospitals every day.”

Billing one patient more than another is nothing new. It’s among the primary arguments for buying health insurance. The massive spread between the cost for people with insurance or Medicare and those without it, however, has raised concerns in the Obama administration.

Under the Affordable Care Act, nonprofit hospitals are no longer permitted to charge these list price fees to patients who qualify for financial assistance.

The catch, though, is that hospitals are permitted to set their own policies about who qualifies for financial help.

Patients receiving treatment at for-profit hospitals, like most in Palm Beach County, have no government safety net to keep them from being charged whatever price a hospital sets.

Some for-profit hospital chains that operate in Palm Beach County have made commitments on their own to cut rates for the uninsured.

Tenet hospitals, which along with Delray Medical, include Palm Beach Gardens, Good Samaritan, St. Mary’s and West Boca, have a “Compact With the Uninsured.” It’s a promise, essentially, to bill them almost as if they have insurance.

The company announced the policy after it was sued in California by an organization representing uninsured Lati-

no patients who claimed they were charged up to seven times more than what the company billed insurers for similar services.

At Jupiter Medical Center, a non-profit hospital, its full charges are still several times the Medicare rate. But the hospital charges what appears to be less markup than many others here.

To treat a gastrointestinal disorder and infection, the hospital’s full charge was \$38,526. JFK Medical Center charged \$56,901 for the same procedure.

One reason, said JMC President John Couris, is that his hospital is not part of a large chain that might have the upper hand with insurers.

“The larger systems become, the more hospitals systems acquire, the more geography they cover, the more clout they have with managed-care companies,” he said.

“That tends to drive costs up – not down,” Couris said. “That’s what happens in our industry.”

For patients who can’t afford the hospital’s charges, Jupiter offers an uninsured discount that ranges from 25 percent off the full charge to free care.

A single patient whose income is below \$1,915 a month would get free care. Someone who earns twice that qualifies for a 25 percent discount.

Anyone who can’t pay their bill can work with the hospital’s financial counselors, who try to help patients qualify for insurance or charity care. Those with certain diagnoses, such as breast cancer, are assigned a nurse navigator who walks them through financial and emotional struggles.

Working with uninsured patients can be particularly difficult because some don’t have permanent homes, reliable access to phones or all the paperwork they need to qualify for help.

Nurse Navigator Terry McNeill said she has faced virtually every dilemma associated with a patient who doesn’t have the money to pay for treatment.

“I, usually by hook or good crook and a prayer to the Good Lord, can get them care, get them something,” she said.

But some patients simply get stalled by the fear associated with a new diagnosis.

“We don’t just turn and run away from people,” McNeill said. “We will try to help.”

Uninsured county residents can also turn to the Palm Beach County Medical Society. Its Project Access works with doctors and hospitals to offer free treatment for those with no other option. The program has served 7,000 patients and offered more than \$9 million worth of care, including open heart surgery, colonoscopies and other diagnostic testing, since 2005, said Tenna Wiles, the society’s chief executive officer.

It has become more difficult for the society to arrange pro bono care from local hospitals in recent years, Wiles said.

Hospitals are under increased financial pressure, said Quick of the

South Florida Hospital & Healthcare Association.

Hospitals agreed to give up \$155 billion in funding, expecting to make it up as states added millions of Americans to the Medicaid rolls, under the Affordable Care Act.

Florida opted out of the Medicaid expansion, so hospitals here face shrinking reimbursements without the added Medicaid money.

The law also focuses funding on preventive care, hurting hospitals that make money from “heads in beds.”

Hospitals should not be faulted for expecting patients to pay full charges, Quick said.

Some of the primary opposition to the president’s health care program came from Americans who did not want the government telling them they had to spend their money on health insurance, she notes. Those are some of the very same people who do not buy insurance.

“It’s an ideological decision,” she said. “We don’t assume that everyone who is uninsured is in need of charity.”

Mayes, the woman diagnosed with breast cancer, had a grant to pay for the mammogram and biopsy at Jupiter Medical.

Everyone in the office was supportive, Mayes said. But she left without many answers.

“They did not say how fast, what stage, what’s the next step,” she remembers. “They just said ‘we can’t help you. You don’t have insurance.’”

Hospitals are not obligated to treat patients without insurance unless their condition is immediately life-threatening.

The hospital did connect Mayes with a nurse navigator.

Mayes got health insurance this month, but has had no treatment since her April diagnosis.

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### IMMIGRATION

## Reform bill spurs national ID fears

By Eric Lipton

New York Times

WASHINGTON — Driver’s license photographs and biographical information of most Americans would be accessible through an expanded Department of Homeland Security nationwide computer network if the immigration legislation pending before the Senate becomes law.

The proposed expansion is part of an effort to crack down on illegal immigration by requiring all employers to confirm the identity and legal status of any new workers by tapping into a Homeland Security Department system called E-Verify, which is now used voluntarily by about 7 percent of employers in the United States.

The proposal already faces objections from some civil liberties lawyers and certain members of Congress, who worry about the potential for another sprawling data network that could ultimately be the equivalent of a national ID system.

The questions are being raised while a debate takes places over access to domestic phone records and Internet files of foreigners.

“Over time, this could become a single, national, searchable database of vital biographic information and photographs of nearly every American,” said Sen. Chris Coons, D-Del.

“I want to make sure we embed privacy protections in the system, both in how it is built and administered so that data cannot easily be stolen, and also that the information is only used for legitimate purposes.”

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## NOTICE OF DRAFT ACTION PLAN FOR FY 2013-2014 AND NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Palm Beach County Department of Economic Sustainability (DES) has completed the Draft Palm Beach County Action Plan for FY 2013-2014 and will present the Action Plan for approval at a Public Hearing of the Board of County Commissioners. The Action Plan includes funding recommendations for the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development's Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG), HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME), and Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Programs.

**ESG Program:** This program provides grant funds to Palm Beach County to be used for direct intervention and support services for homeless persons/families and persons/families who are at risk of becoming homeless. The County's ESG entitlement for FY 2013-2014 of \$393,491 is proposed to be used to fund the following eligible categories: 1) Rapid Re-housing (\$71,693); 2) Emergency Shelter (\$206,526); Homeless Prevention (\$65,989); Homeless Management Information System (\$19,770); and Program Administration- limited to up to 7.5% of grant (\$29,511). Funding is recommended for the following non-profit agencies to provide services under the above named categories: 1) Adopt-A-Family of the Palm Beaches - \$71,695; 2)AidtoVictimsOfDomesticAbuse-\$21,091; 3)CenterforFamilyServices, Inc.-\$44,126; 4)Children's Case Management Organization - \$14,122; 5) Children's Home Society of Florida - \$12,239; 6) Children's Place at Home Safe, Inc. - \$16,429; 7)Coalition for Independent Living Options, Inc. - \$15,869; 8) Farmworkers' Coordinating Council - \$3,880; 9) The Lord's Place (Family Program) - \$20,367; 10) The Lord's Place (Men's Program) - \$20,367; 11) The Salvation Army - \$44,456; 12) Vita Nova, Inc. - \$49,873; 13) Young Women's Christian Association (YWCA) - \$9,701; and 14) 211Palm Beach/Treasure Coast-\$19,770.

**HOME Program:** This program provides grant funds to Palm Beach County to provide affordable housing for households at 80% or below the area median income. The County's HOME entitlement for FY 2013-2014 is \$1,611,843. HOME funds will be made available through loans, grants, and other forms of HUD approved investments, for the following proposed activities: 1) Community Housing Development Organization (CHDO) Administered Program - \$241,777; 2) CHDO Operating Expenses - \$80,592; 3) Rental Development/Rehabilitation Program - \$1,128,290; and 5) Program Administration - \$161,184.

**CDBG Program:** This program provides grant funds to Palm Beach County to support the provision of decent housing, a suitable living environment, and to expand economic opportunities for low- and moderate-income persons. Funded activities must serve one of the three CDBG National Objectives: 1) to benefit low-and moderate-income persons; 2) to aid in the prevention or elimination of slum or blight; and 3) to meet a community development need of particular urgency. The County's CDBG entitlement for FY 2013-2014 is \$5,892,217. It is estimated that CDBG program income in the amount of \$25,000 will be available for use during the program year. CDBG funding is recommended for the following activities:

|                                   |             |
|-----------------------------------|-------------|
| Demolition and Utility Connection | \$135,000   |
| Economic Development              | \$1,110,974 |
| Public Services                   | \$1,239,258 |
| Local Entitlement Municipalities  | \$1,124,271 |
| County Initiated Projects         | \$1,834,337 |
| Special Area of Hope Allocation   | \$473,377   |
| Total                             | \$5,917,217 |

Above Costs include program administration & activity delivery costs

The Draft FY 2013-2014 Action Plan is now available for review on DES's website at [www.pbccgov.com/des](http://www.pbccgov.com/des) and at the Department of Economic Sustainability, 100 Australian Avenue, Suite 500, West Palm Beach, Florida 33406 (for additional information and business hours, please call (561) 233-3616).

All interested parties are invited to submit written comments on the Draft FY 2013-2014 Action Plan to DES's Strategic Planning Section at 100 Australian Avenue, Suite 500, West Palm Beach, FL 33406 no later than Monday, July 15, 2013.

**Draft Action Plan Public Meeting.**

Purpose: To obtain public input on the FY 2013-2014 Action Plan

Date: Wednesday, June 26, 2013

Time: 1:30 p.m.

Place: Risk Management Training Room, 1-470 100 Australian Avenue, West Palm Beach, FL 33406

**BCC PUBLIC HEARING.**

Purpose: To approve the FY 2013-2014 Action Plan

Date: Tuesday, July 16, 2013 - No time certain (BCC meetings begin at 9:30 a.m.)

Place: PBC Governmental Center, 6th Floor Commission Chambers, 301 North Olive Avenue, West Palm Beach, FL 33401

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## **APPENDIX III – SUMMARY OF ANALYSIS OF IMPEDIMENTS TO FAIR HOUSING (2010-2015)**

### **INTRODUCTION**

The following represents a summary of Palm Beach County's Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing. Fair housing activities in Palm Beach County are undertaken primarily by three agencies who work in concert with each other. They are the Palm Beach County Office of Equal Opportunity (OEO), the Legal Aid Society of Palm Beach County, and the Fair Housing Center of the Greater Palm Beaches. The OEO is an office within the Palm Beach County Administration and does receive general revenues from Palm Beach County government to undertake fair housing issues particularly those related to the Palm Beach County Fair Housing Ordinance which has been deemed by HUD to be substantially equivalent to the Federal Fair Housing Ordinance. The OEO is also designated a FHAP agency by HUD. Additionally, both the Legal Aid Society of Palm Beach County and the Fair Housing Center of the Greater Palm Beaches are designated FHAP agencies and receives funding from HUD.

### **EVALUATION OF JURISDICTION'S CURRENT FAIR HOUSING LEGAL STATUS**

#### **Fair Housing Legislation and Agencies**

The Office of Equal Opportunity and Legal Aid Society of Palm Beach County are the two primary agencies responsible for investigating and resolving complaints of discrimination in housing, public accommodations and employment in the County on the basis of race, sex, color, religion, national origin, disability, sexual orientation, familial status, marital status, age or and gender identity or expression, in accordance with Palm Beach County Ordinance.

#### **Fair Housing Center of the Greater Palm Beaches, Inc.**

Fair Housing Center is a member of the National Fair Housing Alliance and carries out testing, enforcement, education, predatory lending prevention, outreach and counseling programs to ensure equal and affordable housing opportunities for all people. The Fair Housing Center serves as a Fair Housing Initiatives Program (FHIP).

#### **Summary of Fair Housing Complaints**

The most common issues reported by the Office of Equal Opportunity and the Legal Aid Society during the period FY 2004-2005 to FY 2008-2009, were reports of housing discrimination based upon disability at 42.9% and 35.8% respectively. Race /Color ranked second with both agencies at 22.1% and 20.8%, respectively. The next most common complaint categories were Familial Status, followed by National Origin, for both agencies.

### **IDENTIFICATION OF IMPEDIMENTS TO FAIR HOUSING CHOICE- ASSESSMENT OF FACTORS**

#### **Zoning and Site Selection**

Palm Beach County does not designate specific areas for locating affordable or workforce housing. The Workforce Housing Program and the Affordable Housing Program contains a sector analysis process

where the existing concentration of very low and low income households is evaluated in order to determine the amount of density bonus. This is done to be consistent with a State Statute requirement (Ch.163.3177(f)1.g, F.S.) to “avoid the concentration of affordable housing units only in specific areas of the jurisdiction.”

#### PHA and Other Assisted/Insured Housing Provider Tenant Selection Procedures; Housing Choices for Certificate and Voucher Holders

- The Palm Beach County Housing Authority Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher (HCV) program waiting list has not been opened since 2002 and is not currently accepting Section 8 applications. Funds totaling \$18,418,671 has been allocated by HUD toward 9,001 housing vouchers for FY 2010-2011.
- As of 2010, the Palm Beach County Housing Authority owns 495 Public Housing units from Lantana to South Bay in a series of complexes.

#### Sale of Subsidized Housing and Possible Displacement

Palm Beach County Department of Economic Sustainability and the Community Land Trust of Palm Beach County provide homebuyer subsidy to eligible low and moderate income homebuyers through various programs. The subsidy serves to lower the cost of the homes to these households by offering forgivable second mortgages, discounted first mortgages, and price discounts on properties as well as reducing housing costs.

#### Property Tax Policies

- The property tax in Florida is constitutionally a local tax, administered, levied, and collected by local officials. The Florida Constitution establishes the County Tax Collectors as independent government agencies. They are Constitutional Officers and collect property taxes for every local government agency that has the power to levy taxes. Property taxes are directly related to the value of the homes.
- Notable exemptions to property taxes are: \$25,000 Homestead Exemption for a property with an assessed value up to \$50,000; Additional Homestead Exemption: Beginning at \$50,000 and continuing through an assessed value of \$75,000, the additional benefit will increase with the increase in the property's value. A property with an assessed value of \$75,000 or more will receive the full \$50,000 exemption amount; Portability: Residential property owners with a qualified Homestead Exemption can transfer all or a significant portion of their "Save Our Homes" benefit to their new property. Portability allows you to transfer up to \$500,000 of your property's actual 3% assessment cap to your new property anywhere in Florida; Senior Citizen Exemption: Certain seniors who are 65 or older may be eligible for up to an additional \$50,000 exemption on their property's assessed value; \$5,000 Disabled Veterans Exemption with a service-connected disability of 10% or more; Combat-disabled Senior Veterans over the age of 65 with a qualified Homestead Exemption may be eligible for an ad valorem tax discount; \$500 Widow/Widower Exemption: A widow or widower who is a legal and permanent resident of Florida qualifies for this exemption; \$500 Disability Exemption for persons who are permanently

disabled; and Total Exemption for civilian quadriplegics and honorably discharged veterans who are 100% disabled.

- Discounts for property tax payments are allowed as follows: 4% in November, 3% in December, 2% in January, and 1% in February. Taxes and non-ad valorem assessments become delinquent April 1, at which time 3% interest and advertising costs are added.
- The current millage rate is 4.7815 (FY 2012)

#### Building Codes (Accessibility)

Federal Fair Housing Act: In 1988, Congress passed the Fair Housing Amendments Act of 1988 (the Act), which requires that most newly constructed multifamily dwellings occupied after March 13, 1991 be designed and constructed to include certain features of accessible design. In new multifamily housing, 100% of the units in a building with an elevator must be accessible. If a building with four or more units has no elevator and was ready for first occupancy after March 13, 1991, these standards apply to ground floor units.

#### Lending Policies and Practices

Data provided under the Home Mortgage Disclosure Act for 2008 showed that in Palm Beach County, American Indian/Alaskan Natives had the lowest percentage of origination (25.5%) and the highest percentage of loan denials (45.1%) for conventional mortgage loans. Blacks followed with the second lowest percentage of origination (33.4%) along with the second highest percentage of loan denials (37.7%). Joints (White/Minority) had the highest percentage of loan origination (57.8%) and Others had the lowest percentage of loan denials (20.1%). The income category with the highest percentage of origination was 120%+ of MSA Median (53.6%) while the income category with the highest percentage of loan denials was <50% of MSA Median (37.6%).

#### Fair Housing Enforcement

The Palm Beach County Fair Housing Ordinance states that it is to be the policy of the Board of County Commissioners in the exercise of its police power for the public safety, public health, and general welfare to assure, within constitutional limitations, equal opportunity to all persons to live in available housing facilities regardless of race, sex, color, religion, national origin, disability, familial status, sexual orientation, age, marital status, or gender identity or expression, and, to that end, to prohibit discrimination in housing by any person. The County's Ordinance has been deemed by HUD to be substantially equivalent to the Federal Ordinance.

#### Informational Programs

The Office of Equal Opportunity, the Legal Aid Society of Palm Beach County and the Urban League of Palm Beach County provide one or more of the following informational programs and activities throughout the year: Anti-Predatory and Fair Lending education and support seminars; presentations targeting school children, attorneys, realtors, builders, community association boards and property managers; Foreclosure Prevention Clinics and counseling; housing counseling concerning affordable housing opportunities; Fair Housing outreach programs; Fair Housing counseling services to persons who lodge housing discrimination complaints; and a Disability Accessibility Awareness program geared to



assist County government, countywide organizations, and public facilities to maintain compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act.

#### Visitability in Housing

Visitability concepts add some accessibility features to single-family detached housing or townhomes where Fair Housing Act requirements do not apply and makes houses relatively easy to adapt in the future. They allow current residents to remain in their homes as they age, rather than being forced to move as more features become necessary to maintain independence.

### **ASSESSMENT OF CURRENT PUBLIC AND PRIVATE FAIR HOUSING PROGRAMS AND ACTIVITIES IN PALM BEACH COUNTY**

The Office of Equal Opportunity, Legal Aid Society of Palm Beach County, and the Fair Housing Center for the Greater Palm Beaches were the primary agencies whose programs were examined to analyze the fair housing programs and activities currently being undertaken in the County.

Among the programs and activities provided throughout the year by either one or more of the agencies are: Foreclosure Prevention Clinics; Anti-Predatory and Fair Lending education and support seminars; housing counseling concerning affordable housing opportunities; Fair Housing workshops; Fair Housing outreach programs; enforcement or counseling services to persons who lodge housing discrimination complaints; and a Disability Accessibility Awareness program geared to assist County government, countywide organizations, and public facilities to maintain compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act.

Between fiscal years 2004 to 2009, over 700 complaints were filed with the identified agencies. The prevailing basis for discrimination was disability with 292 complaints (39.4%) followed by race with 159 complaints (21.5%).

### **CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS**

This report groups the major issues affecting Fair Housing Choices in Palm Beach County into 3 main categories, namely: Issues Related to Disability and Other Bases for Discrimination; Issues Related to Zoning, Land Use and Other Public Policies; and Issues Relating to Mortgage and Credit.

#### **A. Issues Related to Zoning, Land Use and Other Public Policies**

County policy related to zoning, provision of housing choice vouchers/certificates, sale of subsidized housing, property taxes, and building codes are not impediments to fair housing choices. On the contrary they act as vehicles to promote fair housing choices. However in implementing certain aspect of the building code one specific problem has arisen:

#### Issue

Legally mandated access requirements are sometimes not included in finished construction projects.

### Recommended Action

Code enforcement officials from Planning Zoning and Building should ensure that all legally mandated access requirements are included in properties before certificates of occupancy are issued.

## **B. Issues Related to Lending Practices (Mortgage and Credit)**

### Issues Related to Mortgage and Credit

The HMDA data for Palm Beach County showed that minorities, Native Americans and lower income persons are more likely to be denied loans than other racial/income groups.

Additionally, the issue of mortgage and credit availability may be further impacted by the occurrences following:

- Manipulation of credit scoring methods to include discriminatory practices rather than the use of the score as originally intended to induce more objectivity and thereby to lessen discrimination.
- The use of predatory lending, especially on lower income households which makes them more likely to lose their home to foreclosure. Potential borrowers lacking a significant credit history, having a blemished credit history, or persons unfamiliar with mortgage transactions are prime targets for predatory lenders. For low-income individuals with less disposable income, higher rates will reduce their mortgage capacity and may disqualify them from receiving a loan. A disproportionately high number of persons victimized by predatory lending practices are minorities and persons with disabilities. Examples of predatory lending practices include:
  - o Extensive marketing in targeted neighborhoods, which are often low-income or minority neighborhoods
  - o Using mortgage broker's fees and kickbacks
  - o Steering borrowers to high rate lenders, even though the borrower may qualify for a conventional loan
  - o Making unaffordable loans
  - o Falsified or fraudulent applications
  - o High interest rates
  - o High points
  - o Balloon payments
  - o Negative amortization
  - o Padded closing costs, such as higher than market credit report fees, Document preparation fees, appraisal costs, recording fees, bogus broker fees, and credit insurance being sold as if required
  - o Excessive prepayment penalties
  - o Flipping (successive, repeated refinancing of the loan by rolling the existing loan balance into a new loan)
  - o Mortgage modifications that may delay but do not prevent foreclosure.

### Recommendations Related to Mortgage and Credit

- Federal and State governments should regularly review and revise protective legislation to keep pace with the changing tactics of predatory lenders.
- OEO, Legal Aid Society and Fair Housing Center will endeavor to expose institutions which indulge in predatory practices and monitor compliance with fair housing access to credit and other facets of fair housing law.
- There must be oversight of the credit scoring process by appropriate authority, since credit scoring has such a significant impact on access to credit.
- Appropriate authority should bring non-bank lenders up to banking institutional standards.
- Education for the responsible use of credit is essential, including credit utilization outside of the housing market, as poor credit history can predispose a potential homebuyer to abusive credit practices.
- Home buyer education programs should be continued and encouraged to grow. Homeowners also need education to make them aware that the equity in their home can attract solicitations from predatory lenders.
- Administrators of public funds should require developers who receive public funds for housing development to complete fair housing training
- The County should continue to support funding for fair housing activities, such as education, outreach, and foreclosure counseling and mitigation.

### **C. Issues Related To Disability, and Other Bases for Discrimination**

Developers of housing units for homeownership and owners/administrators of rental properties are most likely to restrict housing choices based on age (elderly), disability, national origin and familial status. Specifically as it relates to disability, the incidence of fair housing complaints remains high in Palm Beach County, accounting for 39.4% of the complaints filed with the OEO and the Legal Aid Society. The Census of 2000 reported 117,932 persons, or 20% of the County population aged 21 to 64 years to be disabled, compared to a national average of 19.2% for that age group. The population of persons with a disability reported in 2000 comprised 10.4% of the County's total population.

#### Issues Related to Disability and Other Bases for Discrimination

- Persons who exhibit unusual or eccentric behaviors may actually be persons disabled with a mental illness, but may not be so recognized. Therefore their rights to protection under the law may be overlooked and reasonable accommodations are not sought.
- Complaints that certain behaviors violate rules or are disruptive, such as noise emanating from an individual's unit, may be caused by a hearing or other disability. Some housing providers send letters threatening to evict in such cases, rather than exploring reasonable accommodations.

- Accessibility of some units is inadequate to accommodate needs of the occupant person with a disability. Similarly, some units occupied by persons without a disability are inadequate to accommodate visitors with a disability.
- Architectural barriers limit accessibility of common needs and amenities within housing communities e.g., routes to recreation facilities sometimes have steps or other obstacles, or planned paved pathways in construction plans were not built; insufficient access width and other general access issues; ramps not being permitted by property owner/manager or condominium/homeowners associations.
- Refusal to rent/sell to persons with disabilities, especially those supporting themselves with SSI and SSDI, even when the income is more than adequate to cover cost of the chosen housing.
- Persons with disabilities are refused the use of a service or emotional support animal as a reasonable accommodation by property owners or condominium/homeowners associations with “no pet” rules.
- Some developments lack sufficient parking spaces for persons who have disability parking placards. Some disability parking spots are reserved for visitors only and cannot be used by residents even if the spot is closer to their unit. If spots are assigned or reserved, reasonable accommodation may require negotiation with other residents for a closer spot, and may conflict with ownership rights. Parking for scooters or large power wheelchairs which cannot fit into the apartment is sometimes an issue.
- Persons requiring 24 hour Personal Care Attendants encounter problems of housing providers/associations considering the attendant to be a “visitor” or “occupant” and then demanding an application fee and a completed application for every attendant who visits the home. Some providers also want to count the attendant(s) as “occupant(s)” and, if the additional person(s) takes the number of residents over the lease or community rule limitation, the person with the disability who leases/owns the apartment is then cited for violation of the lease agreement or the community rule.
- The NIMBY (Not In My Back Yard) mentality continues to challenge location of group homes and rehabilitation facilities.

#### Recommendations Related to Disability and Other Bases for Discrimination

- Ensure that all members of the Fair Housing Board, appointed by the Board of County Commissioners of Palm Beach County, receive fair housing training upon appointment to the Board and receive periodic refresher training in fair housing issues.
- OEO, FHC, and the Legal Aid Society should be alert to the possibility of mental illness when receiving and investigating complaints of housing refusals based on behavior or personality that is “odd” or “difficult to deal with.” When an impending refusal of housing can be linked to mental illness, agencies such as OEO, FHC and Legal Aid Society should treat the case as a claim of disability-based discrimination, and look for reasonable accommodations that could be requested.

- Through the OEO, FHC, and Legal Aid Society of Palm Beach County, continue to undertake extensive testing to identify instances of housing discrimination on all protected bases; to test for non-compliance with the accessibility building standards mandated under FHAA and other governing regulations; and to identify the education and outreach efforts needed to strengthen fair housing efforts.
- Promote ongoing fair housing training for planners, building design, and construction professionals.
- When education and outreach needs are identified concerning fair housing issues, utilize the services of OEO, Fair Housing agencies and building industry professionals, to educate others in Fair Housing requirements.
- The County should continue to support Fair Housing activities to defend individuals against housing discrimination
- Concentrate fair housing education efforts, including attention to disability issues, on Boards of Directors of condominium associations, homeowners associations and apartment managers/owners, since they are most often in a position to approve or provide reasonable accommodations or modifications.
- Solicit appropriate authority to require fair housing retraining as a condition for license renewal of all real estate professionals.
- Solicit Boards of Realtors to promote and ultimately to require periodic fair housing training as a condition of continuing membership.
- The OEO should endeavor to investigate allegations of fair housing discrimination within HUD's target period of 100 days after the OEO has received the allegation.



## **APPENDIX IV – CDBG DISTRIBUTION METHODOLOGY**

To arrive at its funding recommendations for the CDBG program, the County employs a methodology to distribute CDBG funds among program providing benefits countywide and to projects benefitting participating municipalities and the unincorporated County. Under this methodology, funds are set aside for Countywide Housing Programs, Public Service Activities, Economic Development, Special Area of Hope Allocation, Program Administration/Implementation, and then remaining funds are distributed among municipalities and the County. On March 26, 2013 the Board of County Commissioners conducted a public workshop on the FY 2013-2014 Action Plan which resulted in direction on funding strategies.

The methodology for CDBG distribution considers the following:

- Palm Beach County's CDBG allocation for FY 2013-2014 is \$5,867,917. This figure is subject to approval of the federal budget.
- CDBG program income for FY 2012-2013 is projected to be \$25,000 and will be applied to the Countywide Demolition Program.
- Public service funding is provided to the Philip D. Lewis Center and to private non-profit agencies operating social service programs providing countywide benefit.
- Economic Development funds provide a countywide benefit, and are utilized to fund Economic Development Services, Business Incubators, and a Micro Loan Program.
- The municipal and the unincorporated area share of funds are calculated based on the contribution of each area to the overall CDBG grant, as provided by HUD.
- Municipalities with established CDBG target areas are guaranteed an allocation of funds, referred to as a local entitlement, which are utilized at municipal discretion.
- The County utilizes the unincorporated share to funds projects at its discretion.
- When implementing the CDBG Program, DES performs administrative responsibilities and absorbs related expenses. Therefore, activities impacting HUD's 20% cap on planning and administration are not allowed.

Tables on the following pages depict the distribution of CDBG funding between categories of activities; between the municipalities and unincorporated area; and between all activities proposed for funding in FY 2013-2014.

**PALM BEACH COUNTY**  
**COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) PROGRAM**  
**Fiscal Year 2013-2014**  
**Distribution of Funds to Countywide Activities**

|                                                                     |                           |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------|
| <b>A. Countywide Demolition &amp; Clearance Program</b>             |                           |
| Funds to Carry out Demolition and Clearance.....                    | \$ 135,000                |
| (Includes projected FY 2013-2014 Program Income of \$25,000)        |                           |
| <b>B. Countywide Public Service Activities</b>                      |                           |
| Non-profit public service agency activities.....                    | \$ 220,959                |
| Philip D. Lewis Center.....                                         | <u>\$ 662,873</u>         |
| Subtotal.....                                                       | \$ 883,832                |
| <b>C. Economic Development</b>                                      |                           |
| Economic Development Set-Aside Program.....                         | \$ 783,376                |
| <b>D. Special Area of Hope Program</b>                              |                           |
| Special allocation for Local Entitlement Municipalities.....        | \$ 322,291                |
| <b>E. Program Administration Costs (Maximum 20% of Entitlement)</b> |                           |
| Including General, Fiscal, and Planning Section Administration..... | \$1,178,343               |
| <b>TOTAL.....</b>                                                   | <b>\$3,302,842</b>        |
| <b>FY 2013-2014 FORMULA ENTITLEMENT.....</b>                        | <b>\$5,892,217</b>        |
| <b>PROJECTED FY 2013-2014 PROGRAM INCOME.....</b>                   | <b><u>\$ 25,000</u></b>   |
| <b>CDBG ENTITLEMENT AND PROGRAM INCOME.....</b>                     | <b>\$5,917,217</b>        |
| <b>MINUS COUNTYWIDE PROGRAMS &amp; SET-ASIDES.....</b>              | <b>\$3,302,842</b>        |
| <b>TOTAL FUNDS AVAILABLE FOR DISTRIBUTION.....</b>                  | <b><u>\$2,614,375</u></b> |

PALM BEACH COUNTY  
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) PROGRAM  
Fiscal Year 2013-2014  
Distribution of Funds to Municipalities and County-Initiated Projects

| Category II Municipalities<br>and the Unincorporated Area | Proportionate<br>Percentage | Initial<br>Entitlement | Proportionate<br>Share of Cat. I<br>Among Cat. II<br>and Unincorp. | Additional<br>Entitlement | Final<br>Entitlement |
|-----------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------|----------------------|
| Belle Glade, City of                                      | 4.60325%                    | \$ 120,346             | 5.16648%                                                           | \$ 14,725                 | \$ 135,071           |
| Greenacres, City of                                       | 3.04102%                    | \$ 79,504              | 3.41311%                                                           | \$ 9,728                  | \$ 89,231            |
| Lake Park, Town of                                        | 1.38535%                    | \$ 36,218              | 1.55486%                                                           | \$ 4,432                  | \$ 40,650            |
| Lake Worth, City of                                       | 7.23849%                    | \$ 189,241             | 8.12416%                                                           | \$ 23,155                 | \$ 212,396           |
| Mangonia Park, Town of                                    | 0.24507%                    | \$ 6,407               | 0.27508%                                                           | \$ 784                    | \$ 7,191             |
| Pahokee, City of                                          | 1.64034%                    | \$ 42,885              | 1.84105%                                                           | \$ 5,247                  | \$ 48,132            |
| Riviera Beach, City of                                    | 6.43302%                    | \$ 168,183             | 7.22014%                                                           | \$ 20,578                 | \$ 188,761           |
| South Bay, City of                                        | 0.96958%                    | \$ 25,348              | 1.08821%                                                           | \$ 3,102                  | \$ 28,450            |
| Category II Subtotal                                      | 25.55612%                   | \$ 668,133             | 28.68306%                                                          | \$ 81,750                 | \$ 749,883           |
| County-Initiated Subtotal                                 | 63.54218%                   | \$ 1,661,231           | 71.31694%                                                          | \$ 203,261                | \$ 1,864,493         |
| Category I Total                                          | 10.90170%                   | \$ 285,011             | N/A                                                                | N/A                       | N/A                  |
| GRAND TOTAL                                               | 100.00%                     | \$ 2,614,375           | 100.00%                                                            | \$ 285,011                | \$ 2,614,375         |

**PALM BEACH COUNTY  
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) PROGRAM  
Fiscal Year FY 2013-2014  
Proposed CDBG Activities by Objective**

**Utility Connection, Demolition, and Code Enforcement Objective**

|                                                                   | <u>Activity/Location</u>                          | <u>Implementing Agency</u> | <u>Recommended Funding</u> |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|
| 1)                                                                | DES Demolition & Clearance Program (Countywide)   | PBC DES                    | \$100,000                  |
| 2)                                                                | DES Utility Connection Program (Countywide)       | PBC DES                    | \$35,000                   |
| 3)                                                                | Belle Glade, City of: Code enforcement activities | City of Belle Glade        | \$135,071                  |
| 4)                                                                | Pahokee, City of: Code enforcement activities     | City of Pahokee            | \$48,132                   |
| 5)                                                                | South Bay, City of: Code enforcement activities   | City of South Bay          | \$28,450                   |
| <b>Utility Connection, Demolition, and Code Enforcement Total</b> |                                                   |                            | <b>\$346,653</b>           |

**Public Facilities Objective**

|                                | <u>Activity/Location</u>                                                                                                                       | <u>Implementing Agency</u> | <u>Recommended Funding</u> |
|--------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|
| 1)                             | PBC Office of Community Revitalization/Parks and Recreation Dept.: Improvements to Westgate Park, 3691 Oswego Ave., Unincorporated PBC, 33409  | PBC Parks and Recreation   | \$200,000                  |
| 2)                             | Greenacres, City of: Renovation to the City's Community Hall and 500 Perry Buildings, 501 Martin Ave. and 500 Perry Ave., Greenacres, FL 33463 | City of Greenacres         | \$322,291                  |
| <b>Public Facilities Total</b> |                                                                                                                                                |                            | <b>\$522,291</b>           |

**Infrastructure Objective**

|    | <u>Activity/Location</u>                                                                                                    | <u>Implementing Agency</u> | <u>Recommended Funding</u> |
|----|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|
| 1) | Mangonia Park Sewer Phase 2: Installation of sanitary sewer along Boardman Road and Crandon Avenue, Mangonia Park, FL 33407 | PBC Water Utilities        | \$287,191                  |

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|-----------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------|
| 2)                          | 10 <sup>th</sup> Avenue Drainage: Construction of drainage infrastructure along north side of 10 <sup>th</sup> Avenue North, and in the alleyway between Perry Avenue and Martin Avenue extending northward from 10 <sup>th</sup> Avenue North to the L-10 Canal, Greenacres, FL 33463. | PBC Engineering Services | \$344,000          |
| 3)                          | Lake Clarke Shores Sewer Phase 2: Rehabilitation of sanitary sewer infrastructure in Seminole Manor and at the Mar-A-Lago Mobile Home Park, Unincorporated PBC, 33462                                                                                                                   | PBC Water Utilities      | \$250,000          |
| 4)                          | Greenacres, City of: Construction of sanitary sewer infrastructure (Phases 4 and 5) along 10 <sup>th</sup> Avenue North, encompassing Martin, Perry, Jennings, and Fleming Avenues, Greenacres, FL 33463                                                                                | City of Greenacres       | \$589,231          |
| 5)                          | Lake Worth, City of: Improvements to 9 <sup>th</sup> Avenue South between B Street South and F Street South, Lake Worth, FL 33460                                                                                                                                                       | City of Lake Worth       | \$212,396          |
| 6)                          | Riviera Beach, City of: Reconstruction of West 37 <sup>th</sup> Street between Avenues J and K, Riviera Beach, FL 33404                                                                                                                                                                 | City of Riviera Beach    | \$188,761          |
| 7)                          | Lake Park, Town of: Installation of storm water drainage along Lakeshore Drive, between Date Palm Drive and Castlewood Drive, Lake Park, FL 33403                                                                                                                                       | Town of Lake Park        | \$40,650           |
| 8)                          | County Project Implementation Cost: activity delivery cost of infrastructure and public facility projects.                                                                                                                                                                              | Various                  | \$290,493          |
| <b>Infrastructure Total</b> |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |                          | <b>\$2,202,722</b> |

#### **Public Services Objective**

|    | <u>Activity/Location</u>                                                                                                                       | <u>Implementing Agency</u>       | <u>Recommended Funding</u> |
|----|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------|
| 1) | Operational costs of the Senator Philip D. Lewis Center for homeless individuals, 1000 45 <sup>th</sup> Street, West Palm Beach, FL 33407      | PBC Division of Human Services   | \$662,873                  |
| 2) | Aid To Victims of Domestic Abuse: Transitional housing for abused women with children, confidential location.                                  | Aid to Victims of Domestic Abuse | \$20,110                   |
| 3) | Children's Home Society: Transitions Home transitional housing for pregnant teens and teen mothers, 1199 West Lantana Road, Lantana, FL 33462. | Children's Home Society          | \$18,563                   |



|                              |                                                                                                                                                                                         |                                             |                  |
|------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|------------------|
| 4)                           | Children's Place at Home Safe, The: Emergency shelter and therapeutic care for abused/neglected children, 2840 6 <sup>th</sup> Avenue South, Lake Worth, FL 33461.                      | The Children's Place at Home Safe           | \$13,930         |
| 5)                           | Coalition for Independent Living Options: DINE program meal delivery service, 6800 Forest Hill Boulevard, Greenacres, FL 33413.                                                         | Coalition for Independent Living Options    | \$17,901         |
| 6)                           | Healthy Mothers/Healthy Babies: Assistance to uninsured low income pregnant women and families in order to access health care. 500 Gulfstream Blvd., Suite 201, Boynton Beach, FL 33483 | Healthy Mothers/Healthy Babies              | \$7,285          |
| 7)                           | J.A.Y. Ministries: Transitional housing for homeless men, 2831 Avenue S, Riviera Beach, FL 33404                                                                                        | J.A.Y. Ministries                           | \$9,281          |
| 8)                           | Legal Aid Society: Fair housing enforcement, and foreclosure assistance, 423 Fern Street, Suite 200, West Palm Beach, FL 33401.                                                         | Legal Aid Society of Palm Beach County      | \$47,513         |
| 9)                           | Place of Hope: Case management for children in transitional housing, 9078 Isaiah Lane, Palm Beach Gardens, FL 33410.                                                                    | Place of Hope                               | \$12,155         |
| 10)                          | Redlands Christian Migrant Association: Child care/child development services, 20 Carver Street, Belle Glade, FL 33430                                                                  | Redlands Christian Migrant Association      | \$10,829         |
| 11)                          | Seagull Industries: Vocational services for developmentally disabled adults through the Achievement Center, 3879 West Bryon Drive, Riviera Beach, FL 33404.                             | Seagull Industries for the Disabled         | \$24,309         |
| 12)                          | Sickle Cell Foundation: Glades Project providing sickle cell screening, case management, and counseling in western PBC, 136 South Main Street, Belle Glade, FL 33430.                   | Sickle Cell Foundation of Palm Beach County | \$13,923         |
| 13)                          | Urban League of Palm Beach County: Comprehensive Housing Counseling Program, 1700 North Australian Avenue, West Palm Beach, FL 33407.                                                   | Urban League of Palm Beach County           | \$14,774         |
| 14)                          | Vita Nova: Case management for young adults aged out of foster care and residing in transitional housing, 1316 & 1320 Alpha Street, West Palm Beach, FL 33409.                          | Vita Nova                                   | \$10,386         |
| <b>Public Services Total</b> |                                                                                                                                                                                         |                                             | <b>\$883,832</b> |

**DES Economic Development Objective**

|                                   | <u>Activity/Location</u>                                                                                                              | <u>Implementing<br/>Agency</u> | <u>Recommended<br/>Funding</u> |
|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| 1)                                | DES Economic Development Services: Direct assistance to businesses by DES staff and consultant(s) (Countywide)                        | PBC DES                        | \$401,376                      |
| 2)                                | DES Micro-Lending Program: micro-loans to small businesses for job creation (Countywide)                                              | PBC DES                        | \$100,000                      |
| 2)                                | Center for Enterprise Opportunity: Business support services and micro-lending (Countywide)                                           | CEO                            | \$80,000                       |
| 3)                                | Center for Technology, Enterprise, and Development: Technical assistance and incubator for small and start-up businesses (Countywide) | TED Center                     | \$151,000                      |
| 4)                                | Enterprise Development Corporation: Technical assistance and incubator for small and start-up businesses (Countywide)                 | EDC                            | \$51,000                       |
| <b>Economic Development Total</b> |                                                                                                                                       |                                | <b>\$783,376</b>               |

**Program Administration Cost Objective**

|                                     | <u>Activity/Location</u>                     | <u>Implementing<br/>Agency</u> | <u>Recommended<br/>Funding</u> |
|-------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| 1)                                  | General Administration, Planning, and Fiscal | PBC DES                        | \$1,178,443                    |
| <b>Program Administration Total</b> |                                              |                                | <b>\$1,178,443</b>             |

**SUMMARY OF CDBG PROGRAM EXPENDITURES, FY 2013 - 2014**

|    |                                                          |             |
|----|----------------------------------------------------------|-------------|
| 1) | Utility Connection, Demolition, & Code Enforcement ----- | \$346,653   |
| 2) | Public Facilities -----                                  | \$522,291   |
| 3) | Infrastructure -----                                     | \$2,202,722 |
| 4) | Public Services -----                                    | \$883,832   |
| 5) | Economic Development-----                                | \$783,376   |

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|----|------------------------------|--------------------|
| 6) | Program Administration ----- | \$1,178,343        |
|    | <b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>    | <b>\$5,917,217</b> |

**SUMMARY OF AVAILABLE CDBG RESOURCES, FY 2013 - 2014**

|    |                               |                    |
|----|-------------------------------|--------------------|
| 1) | Entitlement Amount -----      | \$5,892,217        |
| 2) | Estimated Program Income----- | \$25,000           |
|    | <b>TOTAL AVAILABLE</b>        | <b>\$5,917,217</b> |