

City of Gainesville

Notice of 30-Day Public Comment Period and Public Hearings 2026-2027 Annual Action Plan Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME)

The City of Gainesville (City) is soliciting input regarding the Program Year (PY) **2026-2027 Annual Action Plan**. The Consolidated Plan is a five-year housing and community development planning document that identifies how the City will allocate Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME) Program funds. The Consolidated Plan is carried out through **Annual Action Plans**, which provide a concise summary of the actions, activities, and the specific federal and non-federal resources that will be used each year to address the priority needs and specific goals identified by the Consolidated Plan.

The CDBG Program provides annual grants on a formula basis to states, cities, and counties to develop viable urban communities by providing decent housing and a suitable living environment, and by expanding economic opportunities, principally for low- and moderate-income persons. CDBG Program funds may be used for activities such as acquisition, disposition, public facilities and improvements, public services, and housing services. For 2026-2027, the City's CDBG allocation is \$1,430,548.

The HOME Program provides formula grants to states and localities that communities use, often in partnership with local nonprofit groups—to fund a wide range of activities including building, acquisition and/or rehabilitating affordable housing for rent or homeownership for low-income persons. HOME Program funds may be used for activities such as homeowner rehabilitation, new construction, and homebuyer assistance. For 2026-2027, the City's HOME allocation is \$654,934.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City of Gainesville's DRAFT 2026-2027 Annual Action Plan will be available for a 30-day public review and written comment period, as required by federal regulations. The public review and written comment period begins on Monday, June 22, 2026, and concludes on Tuesday, July 21, 2026. All interested parties may submit comments on the DRAFT Annual Action Plan no later than Tuesday, July 21, 2026. To submit comments, email coghousing@cityofgainesville.org, or write to the following postal address:

Department of Housing & Community Development
City of Gainesville
P.O. Box 490, MS 22
Gainesville, FL 32627
ATTN: F.V. Cockerham-Guinyard / Annual Action Plan Comments

A copy of the DRAFT Annual Action Plan will be available for public review on the City's website at <https://www.gainesvillefl.gov/Government-Pages/Government/Departments/Housing-Community-Development/Consolidated-Plan-Information> and during regular business hours at the following locations:

- Housing & Community Dev. Office, 306 NE 6th Ave., The Thomas Center, Bldg. B, Rm. 245;
- Clerk of the City Commission Office, 200 East University Ave., City Hall;
- Downtown Library, 401 East University Avenue;

- Cone Park Library, 2801 East University Avenue;
- Library Partnership, 912 NE 16th Avenue; and
- Millhopper Library at 3145 NW 43rd Street

For more information contact via email at coghousing@cityofgainesville.org , or by telephone at (352) 393-8864.

NOTICE IS HEREBY FURTHER GIVEN that the City of Gainesville will conduct two (2) public hearings for the Plan. Those public hearings are scheduled as follows:

Date/Time	Presiding Body	Location
Monday, July 13, 2026, at 5:30 p.m.	Citizens Advisory Committee for Community Development	The Thomas Center, Building B, Room 201, 306 NE 6 th Avenue
Thursday, July 16, 2026	City Commission	City Commission Chambers at City Hall, 200 East University Avenue

Citizens are encouraged to attend these public hearings, which are an opportunity to provide input, suggestions, and ideas regarding the Annual Action Plan. The City of Gainesville encourages the participation of all its citizens, especially low-income residents, minorities, non-English speaking persons, and persons with mobility, visual, or hearing impairments.

Reasonable accommodations will be made for individuals with disabilities or persons with limited English proficiency requiring auxiliary aids or services. Persons needing a special accommodation to participate in any proceeding should contact the Office of Equity and Inclusion at 352-334-5051 at least two business days in advance. TTY (text telephone telecommunication device) users please call 711 (Florida Relay Service). For speech-to-speech (STS) relay, please call 1-877-955-5334. For STS Spanish relay, please call 1-877-955-8773. For STS French Creole relay, please call 1-877-955-8707. Requests must be made at least 48 hours in advance of meetings in order to allow the city time to provide the requested services.

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