

**Manatee County**  
**Amendment to Citizen Participation**  
**Notice of Plan Availability/Notice of Public Hearing**

Manatee County is an entitlement recipient of Community Development Block Grant funds (CDBG) under Title 1 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 (as amended). This amendment to the Citizen Participation Plan (CPP) was prepared in accordance with section 104(a)3 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 and has been amended as required for the Consolidated Plan in accordance with CFR Part 91, Section 105. The purpose of the CPP is to outline the procedures for citizen's participation in the development and implementation of Manatee County's Five-Year Consolidated Plans, Annual Plans, Consolidated Annual Performance Reports (CAPER), Assessment of Fair Housing (AFH), and substantial amendments to five-year or annual plans. This amendment to the CPP is to address the citizen participation process for the AFH.

A key element of the Consolidated Planning process is citizen participation. The CPP is designed to encourage the participation of low- and moderate-income households, particularly those living in slum and/or blighted areas and in areas where CDBG funds are proposed to be used. The CPP encourages the participation of all citizens, including minorities and non-English speaking persons, as well as persons with mobility, visual and/or hearing impediments. The CPP also encourages the participation of public and assisted housing residents in the development and implementation of the Consolidated Plan.

The Citizen Participation Plan will be available for public review from November 12, 2016 through December 13, 2016, and may be reviewed at the Manatee County Redevelopment and Economic Opportunity Department, 1112 Manatee Avenue West, 5<sup>th</sup> Floor, Bradenton, the Manatee County website at [www.mymanatee.org](http://www.mymanatee.org), and the following Manatee County Library locations:

- Central Branch  
1301 Barcarrota Blvd. W., Bradenton
- South County Branch  
6081 26<sup>th</sup> St. W., Bradenton
- Palmetto Branch  
923 6<sup>th</sup> St. W., Palmetto
- Rocky Bluff Library  
6750 U.S. Hwy. 301, Ellenton

Written comments on the Amendment to Manatee County's CPP may be submitted through December 13, 2016 to:

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