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## Annual Action Plan Program Year 2026/2027

MANATEE COUNTY, FLORIDA

FOR SUBMISSION TO THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF  
HOUSING & URBAN DEVELOPMENT



## Executive Summary

### AP-05 Executive Summary - 24 CFR 91.200(c), 91.220(b)

#### 1. Introduction

Manatee County, FL previously completed the 2023/2024–2027/2028 Consolidated Plan (Consolidated Plan) as required by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). The purpose of the Consolidated Plan is to identify goals, objectives, and strategies for addressing housing and community development needs, including those of the homeless and other special needs populations. The Manatee County Consolidated Plan guides the use of County resources to address these needs over a five-year period.

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 goals identified in the Consolidated Plan. This Annual Action Plan serves as the fourth year of the current Consolidated Plan.

For the Program Year 2026/2027 Annual Action Plan, the County anticipates an annual allocation which includes \$1,981,290 in Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds, \$623,460.88 in HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME) funds, and \$161,149 in Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) funds. In total, Manatee County anticipates approximately \$2,765,899.88 in federal funding allocations for the Annual Action Plan program year that will begin on October 1, 2026, and expire on September 30, 2027 (excluding program income and prior year funds unless otherwise noted).

Additionally, the County intends to utilize \$357,227 in prior year CDBG funds to support ongoing housing and community development activities. The County may also utilize program income and other prior year funds, as available, to further advance eligible activities.

The Annual Action Plan is developed in a manner specified by HUD, and the County has followed the prescribed format in completing the plan. The Annual Action Plan was developed using HUD and U.S. Census data for demographics and housing, input from public meetings, Board of County Commissioners (BOCC) meetings, and past program performance. During the planning process, the County conducted public meetings with citizens and stakeholders, meetings and consultation with non-profit groups, and a public hearing with the BOCC. The purpose of this process was to receive citizen input on current year

funding allocations and community development needs of the County to ensure that this Annual Action Plan is a citizen-driven plan.

There are five major areas of focus in the Consolidated Plan: Housing, Public/Social Services, Community Development/Public Improvements, Economic Development, and Emergency/Disaster Response. The Consolidated Plan process requires Manatee County to identify priority needs for each area and prepare an Annual Action Plan to address those needs. For every priority need, there are goals, objectives, and strategies established to measure progress. Citizen input was critical in developing the goals, objectives, and strategies of this Consolidated Plan.

### **Statutory Goals**

This Consolidated Plan not only presents goals to address the priority needs of the County, but also to address the following statutory goals established by Federal law:

#### **Decent Housing:**

- Assist homeless persons to obtain affordable housing
- Assist persons at risk of becoming homeless
- Retain affordable housing stock
- Increase the availability of affordable housing in standard condition to low- and moderate-income families, particularly to economically disadvantaged persons (and without discrimination on the basis of race, creed, religion, color, age, sex, marital status, familial status, national origin, disability, gender identity or sexual orientation)
- Increase the supply of supportive housing which includes structural features and services to enable persons with special needs (including persons with HIV/AIDS) to live in dignity and independence
- Provide affordable housing that is accessible to job opportunities.

#### **A Suitable Living Environment:**

- Improve the safety and livability of neighborhoods
- Increase access to quality public and private facilities and services.

#### **Expanded Economic Opportunities:**

- Job creation and retention for low-income persons
- Availability of mortgage financing for low-income persons at reasonable rates using nondiscriminatory lending practices

- Empowerment and self-sufficiency for low-income persons to reduce generational poverty in federally assisted housing.

## **2. Summarize the objectives and outcomes identified in the Plan**

This could be a restatement of items or a table listed elsewhere in the plan or a reference to another location. It may also contain any essential items from the housing and homeless needs assessment, the housing market analysis or the strategic plan.

The Five-Year Consolidated Plan identifies five goals, along with corresponding objectives to address Manatee County housing and community development needs. These goals are summarized as follows:

### **Goal 1: Increase Access to Affordable Housing**

**Improve availability, accessibility, and condition of affordable housing for low- and moderate-income and special needs households throughout Manatee County.**

#### **Objectives:**

- Increase the supply of affordable housing units.
- Preserve, maintain, and improve existing affordable housing stock for low- and moderate-income and special needs households.
- Provide rental and utility assistance to low- and moderate-income and special needs households.
- Assist low- and moderate-income and special needs households to become homeowners.
- Provide Fair Housing outreach and education.

### **Goal 2: Reduce Homelessness in Manatee County**

**Expand the accessibility and coordination of social services to Manatee County low and moderate-income and special needs populations.**

#### **Objectives:**

- Provide outreach and supportive services to individuals experiencing homelessness.
- Provide short-term and medium-term housing assistance to at-risk populations.
- Expand capacity of homeless shelters to prevent individuals from living in places not meant for habitation.
- Expand supply of transitional and permanent supportive housing to at-risk populations.

### **Goal 3: Support Healthcare and Wellbeing Activities for Special Needs Populations**

**Enhance the living environment of persons of low and moderate income and special needs populations through public improvement activities.**

#### **Objectives:**

- Provide elderly independent living support services.
- Provide access to health and dental care activities for underinsured individuals.
- Support substance abuse and mental health activities for low- and moderate-income and at-risk populations.

### **Goal 4: Provide Access to Supportive Services y Economic Development Opportunities**

**Support programs that create economic opportunities for low and moderate-income persons or within the designated low and moderate-income areas.**

#### **Objectives:**

- Support programs for youth education, recreation, wellbeing, and protection.
- Enhance access to job readiness and skills training programs for low- and moderate-income individuals, at-risk youth, and individuals exiting the judicial system.
- Support programs that provide social services and transportation to special needs populations including, but not limited to, frail/elderly, at-risk youth, individuals exiting the judicial system, disabled persons, persons living with HIV/AIDS, severe mental illness, and persons with substance abuse.

### **Goal 5: Expand Community Development Strategies**

**Improve public safety conditions for Manatee County citizens in low- and moderate-income areas.**

#### **Objectives:**

- Improve infrastructure conditions and living environments within designated low- and moderate-income areas.
- Improve existing, or develop new, public facilities that service both low- and moderate-income areas or special needs populations, or that benefit low- and moderate-income persons.
- Improve public safety and emergency preparedness within designated low- and moderate-income areas.
- Support local businesses in low- and moderate-income areas, and the preservation or restoration of structures of historical significance.
- Eliminate blight within designated low- and moderate-income areas.

### 3. Evaluation of past performance

This is an evaluation of past performance that helped lead the grantee to choose its goals or projects.

The previous five years have shown significant progress in the County's efforts to implement HUD entitlement programs. The County continues to comply with HUD regulations and continues to deliver housing and community development services in an efficient manner.

The Community and Veterans Services (CVS) Department is a Manatee County department which works to improve the quality of life for County residents through expanded social/public services opportunities and to revitalize areas by providing decent and safe affordable housing. CVS is in charge of implementing HUD-funded programs.

CVS also offers an array of community development services programs that provide the foundation needed to aid in promoting homeownership and/or sustainable neighborhoods:

- Homeowner Housing Rehabilitation
- Housing Replacement
- State Housing Initiatives Partnership (SHIP) Downpayment Assistance
- Homeownership Training Courses
- Tenant Based Rental Assistance
- Homeless Supportive Services
- Park Improvements
- Public Services
- Blight Removal
- Infrastructure Improvements

Additionally, the County has funded projects and activities through the CDBG, HOME, and ESG programs, as follows:

- Project Smile
- Unfunded Senior Meals
- Allean's Loving Care
- Financial Coaching
- Sunrise Adult Training Center Improvements
- Real Vision Barber Academy Training Facility Improvements
- Temporary Food Assistance/Meals on Wheels
- Samoset Area Infrastructure Improvements
- Gulfcoast Legal Services, Inc./Housing Preservation
- Community Coalition on Homelessness – Turning Points

- Affordable Housing Redevelopment/Rehabilitation
- Homeless Prevention, Services, and Shelters
- Homeless Outreach
- Homeowner Housing Rehabilitation
- Park Improvements
- Boys and Girls Club
- Library Roof Replacement
- Career Technical Training
- Resurfacing
- Sidewalk Projects
- Shelter Support

The County has been successful in implementing these programs in the past and anticipates the continuation of such programs in the future. The County will use CDBG, HOME, ESG, and SHIP funds to make these programs successful and to meet the goals and priority needs identified in the Consolidated Plan.

#### **4. Summary of Citizen Participation Process and consultation process**

Summary from citizen participation section of plan.

Manatee County, Florida, is the lead agency responsible for overseeing the development of the Consolidated Plan and Annual Action Plan. The Community and Veterans Services Department (CVS) is the internal department that is responsible for the day-to-day administration of CDBG, HOME, and ESG funding. However, CVS does work with the Board of County Commissioners, the Affordable Housing Advisory Committee (AHAC), County departments, in addition to residents, contractors and non-profit sub-recipients to develop a meaningful document.

The development of the Consolidated Plan and Annual Action Plan was based on the previous Consolidated Plan and numerous other studies, plans and reports that have been prepared in recent years. Some of the primary documents included the County's SHIP Local Housing Incentives Strategy and Local Housing Assistance Plan, and the Suncoast Partnership to End Homelessness Point-in-Time (PIT) Homeless Report and Annual Homeless Assessment reports, and the 2024 Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing (AFH), among others.

To maximize citizen participation, staff along with the County's procured consultant (Wade Trim, Inc.) conducted outreach through:

- Several public notices;
- Grant application workshop;
- Two public hearings;

- 30-day public comment period (June 29 – July 28, 2026)

As part of these efforts, low- and moderate-income residents, as well as service providers, were encouraged to provide input on the Consolidated Plan and Annual Action Plan. Details of these efforts can be found in Table 4.

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

This could be a brief narrative summary or reference an attached document from the Citizen Participation section of the Con Plan.

While the public raised a wide range of important issues, several key priorities emerged consistently throughout the public meetings. Additionally, input from the priority needs section of the Strategic Plan has been carefully considered. Based on extensive citizen participation and data gathered, the following is a summary of the public's feedback:

- Increase Supply of Affordable Housing
- Quality of Housing
- Expand Access to Housing Programs and Rental Assistance
- Homeless Shelter Development
- Transitional and Permanent supportive Housing Development
- Homeless Prevention and Supportive Services
- Fair Housing
- Code Enforcement
- Public Facilities Improvements
- Youth Centers and Programs
- Senior/Elderly Facilities and Services
- Road Resurfacing/Construction
- Sidewalk Improvements
- Drainage Improvements
- Street Lighting
- Affordable Child Care Services
- Employment Training
- Elimination of Slum and Blight

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

All comments received by Manatee County were considered and are, generally or specifically, addressed by the Strategic Plan and/or Annual Action Plan. Documentation of all comments received is included as an appendix (PDF format) to the Five-Year Consolidated Plan submittal.



## 7. Summary

The Five-Year Consolidated Plan for years 2023/2024 – 2027/2028 identifies goals, objectives, and strategies to address the County’s housing and community development priority needs. These needs were identified through an extensive citizen participation process that involved neighborhood residents, service providers and other community partners. The Consolidated Plan guides the County’s use of HUD resources through five goals. These goals are summarized as: Affordable Housing, Public/Social Services, Homelessness, Community Development/Public Improvements, and Economic Development. Over the next five years, Manatee County will continue to deliver housing and community development services through housing programs, public works, as well as through partnerships with an array of public service providers. Each of the projects selected in the 2026/2027 Annual Action Plan address a specific goal in the Consolidated Plan.

## PR-05 Lead & Responsible Agencies – 91.200(b)

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

Describe the agency/entity responsible for preparing the Consolidated Plan and those responsible for administration of each grant program and funding source.

| Agency Role        |  | Name | Department/Agency                          |
|--------------------|--|------|--------------------------------------------|
| CDBG Administrator |  |      | Community and Veterans Services Department |
| HOME Administrator |  |      | Community and Veterans Services Department |
| ESG Administrator  |  |      | Community and Veterans Services Department |

Table 1 – Responsible Agencies

### Narrative (optional)

Manatee County, Florida, is the lead agency responsible for overseeing the development of the Consolidated Plan and Annual Action Plan. CVS is the internal department that is responsible for the day-to-day administration of CDBG, HOME, and ESG funding. However, the CVS department does work with both the Board of County Commissioners and the Affordable Housing Advisory Committee (AHAC) in addition to residents and sub-recipients to develop a meaningful document.

To maximize citizen participation, staff conducted outreach through a series of public notices, meetings, and hearings. As part of these efforts, low- and moderate-income residents, as well as service providers, were encouraged to provide input on the Annual Action Plan.

### Consolidated Plan Public Contact Information

Inquiries, comments, or complaints concerning the Plan, any amendments, or performance reports, can be conveyed by contacting County staff at:

*Manatee County Community and Veterans Services Department*

*1112 Manatee Avenue West*

*Bradenton, FL 34205*

*Telephone: (941) 748-4501, ext. 1266*

*Julia.vieira@mymanatee.org*

*Business hours: 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday*

Written complaints may also be made to the Jacksonville Field Office of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) at the following address:

*U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development*

*Community Planning and Development Division*

*400 West Bay St., Ste. 1015*

*Jacksonville, FL 32202*

*Phone: (904) 232-2627*

*Fax: (904) 232-3759*

*Business hours: 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday*

## **AP-10 Consultation – 91.100, 91.200(b), 91.215(l)**

### **1. Introduction**

The CVS Community Development Division maintains a mailing list of 130+ agencies/and or individuals that are kept updated on available Community Development funding, collaboration, and other opportunities. Community Development works closely with another CVS Division called Neighborhood Connections to better connect with County residents through their established network of 200+ neighborhood groups and local leader, as well 50,000+ resident mailing subscriptions through Next Door.

Institutional coordination of the Consolidated Plan establishes a unified vision for community development. The County uses a collaborative process to shape various programs into effective, coordinated strategies. This process also facilitates the opportunity for planning and citizen participation to take place in a comprehensive context, attempting to reduce duplication of effort at the local level.

### **Provide a concise 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 (91.215(l))**

The County will implement this Consolidated Plan and Annual Action Plan in coordination with public, private, and non-profit agencies. Non-profit agencies may include, but are not limited to, service providers and Community Housing Development Organizations (CHDOs). Private sector partners may include, but are not limited to, local financial institutions, developers, and local businesses. The County works closely with its partners to design programs that address identified needs.

**Table 2** outlines the types of agencies and organizations consulted throughout the Consolidated Plan develop and for the upcoming program year. Organizations consulted included various service providers, CHDOs, Manatee County Housing Authority (MCHA), Suncoast Partnership to End Homelessness, County Departments, the AHAC, and the County Commission, among others.

### **Describe coordination with the Continuum of Care and efforts to address the needs of homeless persons (particularly chronically homeless individuals and families, families with children, veterans, and unaccompanied youth) and persons at risk of homelessness.**

The County coordinated with the Suncoast Partnership to End Homelessness through its most recent PIT and Homeless Assessment reports and with residents through community meetings. This consultation was pivotal in preparing the Needs Assessment and Strategic Plan components of the Consolidated Plan. In addition, through consultation and review of recent and previous Public Housing Authority Plans and other HUD reports, the MCHA also provided pivotal input in preparing the Consolidated Plan.

Through the public participation process, the County conducted several meetings to gain input from the public. Invitations were sent to the CoC in addition to several agencies that provide services to the homeless population.

The CoC and the MCHA were also invited to review the Annual Action Plan and provide input on the narratives of the plan.

**Describe consultation with the Continuum(s) 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**

Manatee County receives and administers an Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG). The Suncoast Partnership to End Homelessness is the regional Continuum of Care (CoC), which is comprised of ten board members and 13 staff that work together to identify concerns and make policies and recommendations on homeless issues. The mission of the Suncoast Partnership is to prevent and end homelessness in Manatee and Sarasota Counties. The Suncoast Partnership envisions a community where everyone has the opportunity to have a home.

The Suncoast Partnership to End Homelessness, as the lead agency for the area's CoC, utilizes the Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) data, Annual Point-in-Time (PIT) Count Report, and other documents including the Federal Strategic Plan to Prevent and End Homelessness to inform the allocation of funds, develop policies and procedures, and evaluate outcomes annually. Consultation with the CoC for the Consolidated Plan included research of the Suncoast Partnership to End Homelessness annual reports and plans, as well as input from community meetings, public hearings, and notices.

During the project selection phase for the FY 2026/2027 Annual Action Plan, Manatee County included the Chief Executive Officer of Suncoast Partnership to End Homelessness on the Review Committee to offer a wider scope of experience in ESG-funded projects and activities.

**2. Describe Agencies, groups, organizations and others who participated in the process and describe the jurisdiction's consultations with housing, social service agencies and other entities**

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

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| 1 | <b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>                                                                                                                                   | Manatee County Affordable Housing Advisory Committee (AHAC)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
|   | <b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>                                                                                                                              | Advisory Board                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
|   | <b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>                                                                                                     | Housing Need Assessment<br>Public Housing Needs<br>Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless<br>Homeless Needs - Families with children<br>Homelessness Needs - Veterans<br>Homelessness Needs - Unaccompanied youth<br>Homelessness Strategy<br>HOPWA Strategy<br>Market Analysis<br>Economic Development<br>Anti-poverty Strategy<br>Lead-based Paint Strategy |
|   | <b>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b> | Noticed for Focus Group Meetings, AHAC Meetings                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| 2 | <b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>                                                                                                                                   | Manatee County Board of County Commissioners                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
|   | <b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>                                                                                                                              | Civic Leaders<br>Elected Officials                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |

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|   | <b>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b> | Noticed for Community Outreach Meetings, Work Sessions, Public Hearings, Confirmation of Strategy                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| 3 | <b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>                                                                                                                                   | Manatee County Habitat for Humanity, Inc.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
|   | <b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>                                                                                                                              | Housing                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
|   | <b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>                                                                                                     | Housing Need Assessment                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
|   | <b>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b> | Attended Focus Group Meetings, Identification of Need                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| 4 | <b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>                                                                                                                                   | AM & FM Enterprise, Inc.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
|   | <b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>                                                                                                                              | Services-Elderly Persons<br>Services-Health                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
|   | <b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>                                                                                                     | Non-Homeless Special Needs                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |

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|   | <b>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b> | Attended Focus Group Meetings, Identification of Need                                                                                                                                                     |
| 5 | <b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>                                                                                                                                   | Society of St. Vincent De Paul                                                                                                                                                                            |
|   | <b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>                                                                                                                              | Services-homeless                                                                                                                                                                                         |
|   | <b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>                                                                                                     | Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless<br>Homeless Needs - Families with children<br>Homelessness Needs - Veterans<br>Homelessness Needs - Unaccompanied youth<br>Homelessness Strategy<br>Market Analysis |
|   | <b>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b> | Attended Focus Group Meetings, Identification of Need                                                                                                                                                     |
| 6 | <b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>                                                                                                                                   | Catholic Charities                                                                                                                                                                                        |
|   | <b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>                                                                                                                              | Services-homeless                                                                                                                                                                                         |
|   | <b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>                                                                                                     | Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless<br>Homeless Needs - Families with children<br>Homelessness Needs - Veterans<br>Homelessness Needs - Unaccompanied youth<br>Homelessness Strategy<br>Market Analysis |
|   | <b>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b> | Attended Focus Group Meetings, Identification of Need                                                                                                                                                     |



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| 7 | <b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>                                                                                                                                   | MEALS ON WHEELS                                                                                                                                                                                           |
|   | <b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>                                                                                                                              | Services-Elderly Persons                                                                                                                                                                                  |
|   | <b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>                                                                                                     | Non-Homeless Special Needs                                                                                                                                                                                |
|   | <b>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b> | Attended Focus Group Meetings, Identification of Need                                                                                                                                                     |
| 8 | <b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>                                                                                                                                   | SALVATION ARMY                                                                                                                                                                                            |
|   | <b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>                                                                                                                              | Services-homeless                                                                                                                                                                                         |
|   | <b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>                                                                                                     | Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless<br>Homeless Needs - Families with children<br>Homelessness Needs - Veterans<br>Homelessness Needs - Unaccompanied youth<br>Homelessness Strategy<br>Market Analysis |
|   | <b>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b> | Attended Focus Group Meetings, Identification of Need                                                                                                                                                     |
| 9 | <b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>                                                                                                                                   | Turning Points                                                                                                                                                                                            |
|   | <b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>                                                                                                                              | Services-homeless                                                                                                                                                                                         |
|   | <b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>                                                                                                     | Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless<br>Homeless Needs - Families with children<br>Homelessness Needs - Veterans<br>Homelessness Needs - Unaccompanied youth<br>Homelessness Strategy                    |

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|    | <b>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b> | Attended Focus Group Meetings, Identification of Need |
| 10 | <b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>                                                                                                                                   | Safe Place and Rape Crisis Center                     |
|    | <b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>                                                                                                                              | Services-Victims of Domestic Violence                 |
|    | <b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>                                                                                                     | Non-Homeless Special Needs                            |
|    | <b>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b> | Attended Focus Group Meetings, Identification of Need |
| 11 | <b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>                                                                                                                                   | Safe Children Coalition                               |
|    | <b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>                                                                                                                              | Services-Children<br>Services-Education               |
|    | <b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>                                                                                                     | Market Analysis<br>Priority Needs                     |
|    | <b>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b> | Attended Focus Group Meetings, Identification of Need |
| 12 | <b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>                                                                                                                                   | CAN Community Health                                  |
|    | <b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>                                                                                                                              | Services-Persons with HIV/AIDS<br>Services-Health     |
|    | <b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>                                                                                                     | Market Analysis<br>Priority Needs                     |
|    | <b>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b> | Attended Focus Group Meetings, Identification of Need |

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| 13 | <b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>                                                                                                                                   | SARASOTA COUNTY                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
|    | <b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>                                                                                                                              | Other government - County                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
|    | <b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>                                                                                                     | Housing Need Assessment<br>Public Housing Needs<br>Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless<br>Homeless Needs - Families with children<br>Homelessness Needs - Veterans<br>Homelessness Needs - Unaccompanied youth<br>Homelessness Strategy<br>Non-Homeless Special Needs<br>HOPWA Strategy<br>Market Analysis<br>Economic Development<br>Anti-poverty Strategy<br>Lead-based Paint Strategy |
|    | <b>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b> | Attended Focus Group Meetings, Identification of Need                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| 14 | <b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>                                                                                                                                   | Second Heart Homes, Inc.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
|    | <b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>                                                                                                                              | Services - Housing<br>Services-homeless<br>Services-Health                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |

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|    | <b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>                                                                                                     | Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless<br>Homeless Needs - Families with children<br>Homelessness Needs - Veterans<br>Homelessness Needs - Unaccompanied youth<br>Homelessness Strategy<br>Non-Homeless Special Needs<br>Market Analysis                         |
|    | <b>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b> | Attended Focus Group Meetings, Identification of Need                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| 15 | <b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>                                                                                                                                   | Gulf Coast Community Foundation                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
|    | <b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>                                                                                                                              | Services-Health<br>Services-Education<br>Civic Leaders<br>Foundation                                                                                                                                                                                            |
|    | <b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>                                                                                                     | Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless<br>Homeless Needs - Families with children<br>Homelessness Needs - Veterans<br>Homelessness Needs - Unaccompanied youth<br>Homelessness Strategy<br>Non-Homeless Special Needs<br>Market Analysis<br>Economic Development |
|    | <b>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b> | Attended Focus Group Meetings, Identification of Need                                                                                                                                                                                                           |

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| 16 | <b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>                                                                                                                                   | North Port Police Department                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
|    | <b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>                                                                                                                              | Other government - Local<br>Police Department                                                                                                                                                                                           |
|    | <b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>                                                                                                     | Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless<br>Homeless Needs - Families with children<br>Homelessness Needs - Veterans<br>Homelessness Needs - Unaccompanied youth<br>Homelessness Strategy<br>Non-Homeless Special Needs<br>Market Analysis |
|    | <b>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b> | Attended Focus Group Meetings, Identification of Need                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| 17 | <b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>                                                                                                                                   | Family Promise of South Sarasota County                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
|    | <b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>                                                                                                                              | Services-homeless<br>Basic Needs Assistance                                                                                                                                                                                             |
|    | <b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>                                                                                                     | Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless<br>Homeless Needs - Families with children<br>Homelessness Needs - Veterans<br>Homelessness Needs - Unaccompanied youth<br>Homelessness Strategy<br>Market Analysis                               |
|    | <b>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b> | Attended Focus Group Meetings, Identification of Need                                                                                                                                                                                   |

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| 18 | <b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>                                                                                                                                   | Feeding Tampa Bay                                                                                                                                                                                         |
|    | <b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>                                                                                                                              | Services-Children                                                                                                                                                                                         |
|    | <b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>                                                                                                     | Homeless Needs - Families with children                                                                                                                                                                   |
|    | <b>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b> | Attended Grant Workshop, funded through 2024 AAP                                                                                                                                                          |
| 19 | <b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>                                                                                                                                   | FL-500 Suncoast Partnership to End Homelessness                                                                                                                                                           |
|    | <b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>                                                                                                                              | Services-homeless<br>Continuum of Care                                                                                                                                                                    |
|    | <b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>                                                                                                     | Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless<br>Homeless Needs - Families with children<br>Homelessness Needs - Veterans<br>Homelessness Needs - Unaccompanied youth<br>Homelessness Strategy<br>Market Analysis |
|    | <b>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b> | Noticed for Focus Group Meetings, Research of Annual Reports and Plans, Identification of Need, Referrals                                                                                                 |
| 20 | <b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>                                                                                                                                   | Bay Pines VA Healthcare System                                                                                                                                                                            |
|    | <b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>                                                                                                                              | Health Agency<br>Veterans                                                                                                                                                                                 |

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|    | <b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>                                                                                                     | Non-Homeless Special Needs<br>Economic Development<br>Anti-poverty Strategy<br>Lead-based Paint Strategy<br>Goals |
|    | <b>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b> | Noticed for Focus Group Meetings for AFH, Identification of Need, Referrals                                       |
| 21 | <b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>                                                                                                                                   | Career Source Central Florida                                                                                     |
|    | <b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>                                                                                                                              | Services-Employment                                                                                               |
|    | <b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>                                                                                                     | Housing Need Assessment<br>Economic Development<br>Anti-poverty Strategy<br>Lead-based Paint Strategy             |
|    | <b>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b> | Noticed for Focus Group Meetings for AFH, Identification of Need, Referrals                                       |
| 22 | <b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>                                                                                                                                   | HOPE FAMILY SERVICES                                                                                              |
|    | <b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>                                                                                                                              | Services-Victims of Domestic Violence                                                                             |
|    | <b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>                                                                                                     | Economic Development<br>Anti-poverty Strategy<br>Lead-based Paint Strategy<br>Goals                               |
|    | <b>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b> | Noticed for Focus Group Meetings for AFH, Identification of Need, Referrals                                       |

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| 23 | <b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>                                                                                                                                   | Jewish Family & Children's Service of the Suncoast                                                     |
|    | <b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>                                                                                                                              | Services-Children                                                                                      |
|    | <b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>                                                                                                     | Economic Development<br>Anti-poverty Strategy<br>Lead-based Paint Strategy<br>Goals                    |
|    | <b>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b> | Noticed for Focus Group Meetings for AFH, Identification of Need, Referrals                            |
| 24 | <b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>                                                                                                                                   | Centerstone of Florida, Inc.                                                                           |
|    | <b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>                                                                                                                              | Health Agency                                                                                          |
|    | <b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>                                                                                                     | Market Analysis<br>Economic Development<br>Anti-poverty Strategy<br>Lead-based Paint Strategy<br>Goals |
|    | <b>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b> | Noticed for Focus Group Meetings for AFH, Identification of Need, Referrals                            |
| 25 | <b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>                                                                                                                                   | Manatee County Housing Authority                                                                       |
|    | <b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>                                                                                                                              | PHA                                                                                                    |
|    | <b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>                                                                                                     | Public Housing Needs<br>Market Analysis                                                                |



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|    | <b>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b> | Noticed for Focus Group Meetings, Research of Annual Reports and Plans, Identification of Need, Referrals                                                                            |
| 26 | <b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>                                                                                                                                   | MANATEE COUNTY                                                                                                                                                                       |
|    | <b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>                                                                                                                              | County Departments<br>Grantee Department                                                                                                                                             |
|    | <b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>                                                                                                     | Housing Need Assessment<br>Homelessness Strategy<br>Non-Homeless Special Needs<br>Market Analysis<br>Economic Development<br>Anti-poverty Strategy<br>Lead-based Paint Strategy      |
|    | <b>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b> | Attended Focus Group Meetings, Administration/CVS/Public Works/Property Management/Neigh. Services/Planning & Zoning/Public Safety/Parks & Natural Resources, Identification of Need |
| 27 | <b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>                                                                                                                                   | Glasser/Schoenbaum Human Services Center                                                                                                                                             |
|    | <b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>                                                                                                                              | Civic Leaders<br>Neighborhood Organization                                                                                                                                           |
|    | <b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>                                                                                                     | Housing Need Assessment<br>Public Housing Needs<br>Non-Homeless Special Needs<br>Anti-poverty Strategy                                                                               |
|    | <b>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b> | Attended Focus Group Meetings, Identification of Need                                                                                                                                |

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| 28 | <b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>                                                                                                                                   | AlongSide U                                                                                                |
|    | <b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>                                                                                                                              | Services - Housing<br>Services-Education<br>Services-Employment<br>Services - Narrowing the Digital Divide |
|    | <b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>                                                                                                     | Housing Need Assessment<br>Public Housing Needs<br>Non-Homeless Special Needs<br>Anti-poverty Strategy     |
|    | <b>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b> | Attended Focus Group Meetings, Identification of Need                                                      |

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

Manatee County consulted with the lead agency for the CoC, local and county PHAs, affordable housing providers, various social service providers, including broadband service providers (indirect consultation through reports), County departments, and civic leaders. Additionally, the public, including but not limited to low- and moderate-income residents, residents within the County's target areas, and other entities impacted by housing and community development activities, were noticed of community meetings by email, website, and posters, and public hearings by newspaper advertisements.

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

| <b>Name of Plan</b>                               | <b>Lead Organization</b>                 | <b>How do the goals of your Strategic Plan overlap with the goals of each plan?</b>                                        |
|---------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Continuum of Care                                 | Suncoast Partnership to End Homelessness | Homelessness                                                                                                               |
| State Housing Initiatives Partnership             | Manatee County/State of Florida          | State Housing Initiatives Partnership (SHIP) Local Housing Incentives Strategy and Local Housing Assistance Plan - Housing |
| Manatee County Public Works                       | Manatee County                           | Facility Improvements                                                                                                      |
| Assessment of the Currently Proposed Homelessness | Manatee County                           | Homelessness                                                                                                               |

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

**Narrative (optional)**

Many of the programs and activities that will be carried out by the County during the program years will involve coordination with several agencies and organizations. At a minimum, implicit in these goals is the County's commitment to providing coordinated community, housing, and supportive services to its lower income residents. These services are provided through partnerships with government and quasi-government agencies, as well as respective planning efforts shown in the tables above. Manatee County will continue to encourage building partnerships between governments, lenders, builders, developers, real estate professionals, and advocates for low-income persons. Manatee County will continue to work with the building industry, banking industry, real estate industry, social service providers and other community groups to promote the development of affordable housing and related housing services.

## **AP-12 Participation – 91.105, 91.200(c)**

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

The development of the Annual Action Plan requires extensive citizen participation. HUD requires local jurisdictions to provide for citizen participation, which encourages the development of the Plan in cooperation with residents from every walk of life. In particular, HUD believes it is important to obtain the views of residents who live in low- and moderate-income areas, as well as service providers who deliver services to residents.

Comments and concerns raised during the citizen participation process were taken into consideration when developing the Consolidated Plan's goals, objectives, and strategies. Priority needs were identified based on available housing data, public input, service provider meetings, community surveys, and past program performance. In addition, CVS staff consulted with various County departments to identify priority needs and develop corresponding strategies.

#### **Housing Strategy**

Housing strategies were determined using housing data provided by HUD and the U.S. Census Bureau. Customized HUD data is available to help communities evaluate housing and homeless needs. Complete data are available in the Needs Assessment and Market Analysis section.

In addition, the County has a long and successful history of administering numerous housing programs and meeting housing needs. Several housing programs, particularly housing rehabilitation activities, have been underway for many years and provide good value to the community. In general, housing programs receive emphasis due to the large, ongoing need for housing services. This remains true as inflation and the housing costs continue to rise.

Finally, through input received during the Consolidated Plan and 2026 Annual Action Plan citizen participation processes, affordable housing was identified as a high priority.

#### **Social/Public Service Strategy**

Social/Public Service strategies were developed through consultation with the Suncoast Partnership to End Homelessness annual PIT and homeless assessment reports to obtain the latest counts of the homeless population. The Suncoast Partnership to End Homelessness is the lead agency for homeless services and represents agencies that implement homeless services. The County utilized data from HUD that details homelessness and homeless service providers, including the Sarasota, Bradenton/Manatee, Sarasota Counties CoC housing inventories. Finally, input from other service providers, stakeholders, and citizens through community meetings, community surveys, meetings with CVS staff proved helpful in crafting the Public Service strategy.

### **Community Development/Public Improvements Strategy**

Community Development/Public Improvements strategies were determined through community meetings, community surveys, meetings with CVS staff, and review of current planning activities. The County is working to leverage other planning efforts with funding opportunities where possible.

A focus group meeting was held with internal department leads and staff to discuss priority needs of various County departments. CVS will plan to leverage County resources and efforts. Manatee County intends to leverage CDBG dollars with public works and code enforcement funding.

### **Economic Development Strategy**

Economic Development Needs were determined through community meetings, community surveys, and consultation with service providers. As with the social/public service and housing topics, HUD and the U.S. Census provide data on various economic development items. Information was collected from citizens, stakeholders, and service providers that are knowledgeable about economic development. The County does not have specific economic development projects funded through CDBG.

**Citizen Participation Outreach**

| Sort Order | Mode of Outreach     | Target of Outreach           | Summary of response/attendance  | Summary of comments received                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | Summary of comments not accepted and reasons | URL (If applicable) |
|------------|----------------------|------------------------------|---------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------|---------------------|
| 1          | Public Hearing       | Service Providers            | March 2, 2026. 50-60 attendees. | Staff provided a detailed presentation on the 2026 Annual Action Plan and training on how to apply for funds through the County programs. Comments received were related to the need for affordable housing, homelessness, public facilities/services. Meeting summary is in the Appendix of this document. | All comments are addressed within Plan.      |                     |
| 2          | Email Listing/Invite | Non-targeted/broad community | No responses received.          | No comments received.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | No comments received.                        |                     |

| Sort Order | Mode of Outreach             | Target of Outreach           | Summary of response/attendance                 | Summary of comments received                                                             | Summary of comments not accepted and reasons | URL (If applicable)                                                                            |
|------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 3          | Internet Outreach            | Non-targeted/broad community | No responses received.                         | No comments received.                                                                    | No comments received.                        | <a href="http://www.facebook.com/manatee.county.fl/">www.facebook.com / manatee.county.fl/</a> |
| 4          | Public Meeting               | Non-targeted/broad community | BCC Regular Meeting - June 2, 2026             | Discussion on the proposed 2026 Annual Action Plan budget. BCC approved proposed budget. | Agenda and minutes included in attachments.  |                                                                                                |
| 5          | 30-Day Public Comment Period | Non-targeted/broad community | June 29, 2026 thru July 28, 2026               | No comments received.                                                                    | No comments received.                        | <a href="http://www.mymanatee.org">www.mymanatee.org</a>                                       |
| 6          | Public Hearing               | Non-targeted/broad community | BCC Regular Meeting - July 28, 2026 (Adoption) | BCC approval of the 2026 Annual Action Plan for submittal to HUD.                        | Agenda and minutes included in attachments.  |                                                                                                |

**Table 4 – Citizen Participation Outreach**

## Expected Resources

### AP-15 Expected Resources – 91.220(c)(1,2)

#### Introduction

#### Anticipated Resources

| Program | Source of Funds  | Uses of Funds                                                                                                  | Expected Amount Available Year 1 |                    |                          |              | Expected Amount Available Remainder of ConPlan \$ | Narrative Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
|---------|------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------------|--------------|---------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
|         |                  |                                                                                                                | Annual Allocation: \$            | Program Income: \$ | Prior Year Resources: \$ | Total: \$    |                                                   |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| CDBG    | public - federal | Acquisition<br>Admin and Planning<br>Economic Development<br>Housing<br>Public Improvements<br>Public Services | 1,981,290.00                     | 0.00               | 0.00                     | 1,981,290.00 | 1,800,000.00                                      | Additional resources for leveraging may include other State and Federal grant sources, County Departments (Public Works, Property Management, Public Safety, Building and Development), public service providers or other sources of funding. |



| Program | Source of Funds  | Uses of Funds                                                                                                                                                       | Expected Amount Available Year 1 |                    |                          |            | Expected Amount Available Remainder of ConPlan \$ | Narrative Description                                                                              |
|---------|------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------------|------------|---------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
|         |                  |                                                                                                                                                                     | Annual Allocation: \$            | Program Income: \$ | Prior Year Resources: \$ | Total: \$  |                                                   |                                                                                                    |
| HOME    | public - federal | Acquisition<br>Homebuyer assistance<br>Homeowner rehab<br>Multifamily rental new construction<br>Multifamily rental rehab<br>New construction for ownership<br>TBRA | 623,460.88                       | 0.00               | 0.00                     | 623,460.88 | 600,000.00                                        | Additional resources for leveraging may include other State and Federal grant sources (SHIP, CDBG) |

| Program | Source of Funds  | Uses of Funds                                                                                                                                                                            | Expected Amount Available Year 1 |                    |                          |            | Expected Amount Available Remainder of ConPlan \$ | Narrative Description                                                                                                        |
|---------|------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------------|------------|---------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
|         |                  |                                                                                                                                                                                          | Annual Allocation: \$            | Program Income: \$ | Prior Year Resources: \$ | Total: \$  |                                                   |                                                                                                                              |
| ESG     | public - federal | Conversion and rehab for transitional housing<br>Financial Assistance<br>Overnight shelter<br>Rapid re-housing (rental assistance)<br>Rental Assistance Services<br>Transitional housing | 161,149.00                       | 0.00               | 0.00                     | 161,149.00 | 150,000.00                                        | Funding to assist with homeless prevention and homeless services. May leverage resources from non-profit services providers. |

**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**

The County will look to leverage funds, if available, from State and Federal grants sources, County Departments (e.g., Public Works, Property Management, Parks and Natural Resources, Community Services, and Building and Development Services), public or social service providers, or other sources.

The County will also look to leverage funds, if available, from other agencies and programs against CDBG, HOME, and ESG dollars. The County will use funding from the State Housing Initiatives Program (SHIP) and/or other federal grants for the matching requirements under the HOME program, with 25% match on all expenditures except planning and administration, CHDO operating, CHDO capacity building, and CHDO project specific expenses when repayment is waived under §92.301. Manatee County's match amount for ESG will come from the selected subrecipients who receive grant funds through other non-federal sources. ESG match may also come from other local sources that fund initiatives to address the priority needs of sheltering and supportive services to unhoused individuals. Consistent with ESG program requirements, a 100% match on all expenditures will be provided after the date that HUD signs the grant agreement. For ESG, cash, non-cash, and program income must meet requirements of § 576.201.

During the 2016 General Election, Manatee County voters approved a half-cent sales tax to pay for local roads, parks and public safety needs. Where possible, Manatee County will look to leverage these dollars with federal funds.

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

Manatee County Departments will work closely to dispose of surplus properties that are owned by Manatee County. Currently, the County administers a surplus property program that gives potential individuals the opportunity to obtain surplus property owned by Manatee County. These properties are potential surplus and must be approved by the county departments, administrators, and the Board of County Commissioners prior to approval. The County actively markets County owned property through the Property Management Department.

Also, through the property conveyance process developed by Manatee County, the Property Management Department works with the CVS Department to identify surplus property that would be available for the development of permanent affordable housing. The County then seeks a non-profit partner to convey the property to in order to develop affordable housing.

Finally, through the Property Management Department, the County actively seeks property to acquire. Property Acquisition is responsible for identifying and obtaining real property needed by the County to deliver services to the citizens of Manatee County. The acquisition process includes negotiations with property owners to secure contracts for sale and purchase and conveyance of property following approval by the Board of County Commissioners.

## **Discussion**

Manatee County's anticipated funding allocation will address many of the County's goals, including housing, social/public services, community development/public improvements, and economic development. The County is fortunate to have a network of public or social service providers to help address these goals through financial leveraging, as well as other Federal funding sources, State funding sources, County departments, and other agency and program funding.

## Annual Goals and Objectives

### AP-20 Annual Goals and Objectives

#### Goals Summary Information

| Sort Order | Goal Name                             | Start Year | End Year | Category           | Geographic Area                       | Needs Addressed                                                                                                                               | Funding                                 | Goal Outcome Indicator                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
|------------|---------------------------------------|------------|----------|--------------------|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1          | Increase Access to Affordable Housing | 2023       | 2027     | Affordable Housing | Manatee County<br>Samoset Target Area | Preserve and Maintain Existing Housing Stock<br>Increase Supply of Affordable Housing<br>Fair Housing & Equitable Access<br>Rental Assistance | CDBG: \$40,000.00<br>HOME: \$561,120.00 | Public service activities for Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 94 Households Assisted<br>Homeowner Housing Added: 1 Household Housing Unit<br>Tenant-based rental assistance / Rapid Rehousing: 75 Households Assisted |
| 2          | Reduce Homelessness in Manatee County | 2023       | 2027     | Homeless           | Manatee County                        | Transitional and Supportive Housing<br>Homeless Prevention Assistance<br>Rental Assistance<br>Shelter Facilities and Operations               | ESG: \$149,069.00                       | Tenant-based rental assistance / Rapid Rehousing: 8 Households Assisted                                                                                                                                                    |

| Sort Order | Goal Name                                   | Start Year | End Year | Category                          | Geographic Area | Needs Addressed                                                                                                                                                               | Funding                                                              | Goal Outcome Indicator                                                                                                               |
|------------|---------------------------------------------|------------|----------|-----------------------------------|-----------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 3          | Support Healthcare and Wellbeing Activities | 2023       | 2027     | Non-Homeless Special Needs        | Manatee County  | Senior Programs and Facilities<br>Basic Needs Assistance,<br>Transportation Services<br>Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services<br>Health and Dental Care for Underinsured | CDBG:<br>\$125,000.00                                                | Public service activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 305 Persons Assisted                                       |
| 4          | Expand Community Development Strategies     | 2023       | 2027     | Non-Housing Community Development | Manatee County  | Shelter Facilities and Operations<br>Public Facilities Improvements<br>Youth Education, Protection, and Facilities<br>Senior Programs and Facilities                          | CDBG:<br>\$1,287,940.00                                              | Public Facility or Infrastructure Activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 6410 Persons Assisted<br>Other: 2 Other |
| 5          | Program Administration                      | 2017       | 2021     | Program Administration            | Manatee County  | Planning, Preparedness, & Resiliency                                                                                                                                          | CDBG:<br>\$396,200.00<br>HOME:<br>\$62,340.88<br>ESG:<br>\$12,080.00 | Other: 0 Other                                                                                                                       |

**Table 6 – Goals Summary**

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## Goal Descriptions

|   |                         |                                                                                                                                                                              |
|---|-------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1 | <b>Goal Name</b>        | Increase Access to Affordable Housing                                                                                                                                        |
|   | <b>Goal Description</b> | Improve availability, accessibility, and condition of affordable housing for low- and moderate-income and special needs households throughout Manatee County.                |
| 2 | <b>Goal Name</b>        | Reduce Homelessness in Manatee County                                                                                                                                        |
|   | <b>Goal Description</b> | Enhance the living environment for homeless populations and those at-risk of homelessness through strategies that reduce and prevent homelessness throughout Manatee County. |
| 3 | <b>Goal Name</b>        | Support Healthcare and Wellbeing Activities                                                                                                                                  |
|   | <b>Goal Description</b> | Expand the accessibility and coordination of social services to Manatee County low- and moderate-income, homeless, and special needs populations.                            |
| 4 | <b>Goal Name</b>        | Expand Community Development Strategies                                                                                                                                      |
|   | <b>Goal Description</b> | Enhance the living environment of low- and moderate-income, homeless, and special needs populations through public improvement projects and activities.                      |
| 5 | <b>Goal Name</b>        | Program Administration                                                                                                                                                       |
|   | <b>Goal Description</b> | Program administration is required to implement the County's Consolidated Plan goals. Program administration addresses all outcomes, objectives, and priority needs.         |

## Projects

### AP-35 Projects – 91.220(d)

#### Introduction

The Annual Action Plan includes proposed activities that meet the priority housing and community development needs as described in the 2023/2024-2027/2028 Consolidated Plan. Manatee County has developed a comprehensive strategy for using limited resources available to address the housing and community development needs of its low- and moderate-income citizens, the homeless, and its housing stock.

Manatee County anticipates receiving the following FY 2026/2027 HUD entitlement allocations: \$1,981,290 in Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds, \$623,460.88 in HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME) funds, and \$161,149 in Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) funds. In addition, \$357,227 in prior-year CDBG funds have been identified and are available for reallocation to program year 2024 and 2025 projects.

The following section provides a breakdown of proposed project funding for Program Year 2026/2027. In total, the County expects approximately \$2,765,899.00 in available funding for the Annual Action Plan program year, which will run from October 1, 2026 through September 30, 2027.

Manatee County takes great pride in the range of programs and services that are available to residents. Manatee County understands the need to ensure that basic services are provided. The County has utilized the CDBG, HOME, and ESG Programs to constructively meet the changing needs of the community.

#### Projects

| #  | Project Name                                                                 |
|----|------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1  | Easter Seals Southwest Florida Campus - Kitchen Rehabilitation               |
| 2  | Food Bank of Manatee                                                         |
| 3  | Genesis Health Services - Facility Expansion                                 |
| 4  | Gulfcoast Legal Services, Inc. - Housing Legal Services                      |
| 5  | Helping Up Mission, Inc - Under One Roof Gateway Shelter Operations          |
| 6  | Manatee Education Foundation, Inc. / Soar in 4 - Soar Lab Backyard Expansion |
| 7  | Meals On Wheels PLUS of Manatee, Inc. - Unfunded Senior Meals                |
| 8  | The Salvation Army - Shelter Conversion Project                              |
| 9  | Turning Points - Project Smile                                               |
| 10 | Manatee County - Property Management - Under One Roof                        |
| 11 | Manatee County - Public Works - Sidewalk Expansion                           |



| #  | Project Name                                         |
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| 12 | CDBG Planning and Administration                     |
| 13 | Manatee County Habitat for Humanity - Palmetto Homes |
| 14 | The Salvation Army - TBRA                            |
| 15 | Turning Points - TBRA                                |
| 16 | HOME Planning and Administration                     |
| 17 | ESG26 Manatee County                                 |

**Table 7 - Project Information**

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

Manatee County's allocation priorities for FY 2026/2027 are based on identified community needs, with a primary focus on expanding access to affordable housing, reducing homelessness, and supporting low- and moderate-income (LMI) residents through essential services and infrastructure improvements. Priority is given to activities that provide direct housing assistance, including tenant-based rental assistance, homelessness prevention, rapid rehousing, and the development or preservation of affordable housing. Additional emphasis is placed on public services that support housing stability, such as legal assistance, mental health services, and supportive services for vulnerable populations.

One of the primary obstacles to addressing underserved needs is the continued reduction and limited availability of entitlement funding relative to growing community demand. Increasing housing costs, limited housing supply, and rising service needs place additional strain on available resources. As a result, the County is often unable to fully fund all eligible and needed activities.

To address these challenges, Manatee County will continue to pursue alternative funding sources and partnerships. This includes seeking competitive grant opportunities at the federal, state, and local levels, as well as coordinating with nonprofit and community-based organizations to leverage resources and maximize impact. However, staff capacity to administer additional grants and programs may also limit the County's ability to fully respond to all unmet needs.

**AP-38 Project Summary**  
**Project Summary Information**

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| 1 | <b>Project Name</b>                                                                            | Easter Seals Southwest Florida Campus - Kitchen Rehabilitation                                                                                                                                  |
|   | <b>Target Area</b>                                                                             |                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
|   | <b>Goals Supported</b>                                                                         | Expand Community Development Strategies                                                                                                                                                         |
|   | <b>Needs Addressed</b>                                                                         | Public Facilities Improvements<br>Youth Education, Protection, and Facilities                                                                                                                   |
|   | <b>Funding</b>                                                                                 | CDBG: \$240,000.00                                                                                                                                                                              |
|   | <b>Description</b>                                                                             | Easterseals Southwest Florida Campus Kitchen Rehabilitation Project to serve children at the preschool and K-12 Autism Center (under construction). Address: 350 Braden Ave, Sarasota, FL 34243 |
|   | <b>Target Date</b>                                                                             | 9/30/2027                                                                                                                                                                                       |
|   | <b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b> | Rehabilitate 1 facility to serve 220 children annually                                                                                                                                          |
|   | <b>Location Description</b>                                                                    | Address: 350 Braden Ave, Sarasota, FL 34243                                                                                                                                                     |
|   | <b>Planned Activities</b>                                                                      | CDBG - Public Facilities 24 CFR 570.201(c) 03M - Child Care Centers                                                                                                                             |
| 2 | <b>Project Name</b>                                                                            | Food Bank of Manatee                                                                                                                                                                            |
|   | <b>Target Area</b>                                                                             | Samoset Target Area                                                                                                                                                                             |
|   | <b>Goals Supported</b>                                                                         | Support Healthcare and Wellbeing Activities                                                                                                                                                     |
|   | <b>Needs Addressed</b>                                                                         | Basic Needs Assistance, Transportation Services                                                                                                                                                 |
|   | <b>Funding</b>                                                                                 | CDBG: \$25,000.00                                                                                                                                                                               |
|   | <b>Description</b>                                                                             | Mobile Produce 2026-27 - free fresh produce distribution at Pride Park and Samoset target area.                                                                                                 |
|   | <b>Target Date</b>                                                                             | 9/30/2027                                                                                                                                                                                       |
|   | <b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b> | Serve 120 unduplicated households                                                                                                                                                               |
|   | <b>Location Description</b>                                                                    | Pride Park and Samoset                                                                                                                                                                          |
|   | <b>Planned Activities</b>                                                                      | CDBG - Public Services 24 CFR 570.201 (e)                                                                                                                                                       |
| 3 | <b>Project Name</b>                                                                            | Genesis Health Services - Facility Expansion                                                                                                                                                    |
|   | <b>Target Area</b>                                                                             |                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
|   | <b>Goals Supported</b>                                                                         | Expand Community Development Strategies                                                                                                                                                         |

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|   | <b>Needs Addressed</b>                                                                         | Public Facilities Improvements<br>Health and Dental Care for Underinsured                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
|   | <b>Funding</b>                                                                                 | CDBG: \$310,000.00                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
|   | <b>Description</b>                                                                             | Facility Expansion to include increase in 836 sq ft dental facility (adding 3 clinic suites and imaging/exam room) offering free and reduced rate comprehensive oral care to low- and moderate income Manatee County residents. Address: 707 7th Street W., Palmetto, FL 34221 |
|   | <b>Target Date</b>                                                                             | 9/30/2027                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
|   | <b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b> | Expand 1 facility that serves 440 individuals annually                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
|   | <b>Location Description</b>                                                                    | Address: 707 7th Street W., Palmetto, FL 34221                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
|   | <b>Planned Activities</b>                                                                      | CDBG Public Facilities 24 CFR 570.201 (c) 03P-Health Facilities                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
|   |                                                                                                |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| 4 | <b>Project Name</b>                                                                            | Gulfcoast Legal Services, Inc. - Housing Legal Services                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
|   | <b>Target Area</b>                                                                             |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
|   | <b>Goals Supported</b>                                                                         | Increase Access to Affordable Housing                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
|   | <b>Needs Addressed</b>                                                                         | Fair Housing & Equitable Access                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
|   | <b>Funding</b>                                                                                 | CDBG: \$40,000.00                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
|   | <b>Description</b>                                                                             | Housing Legal Services 2026-27 to provide Manatee County residents with free access to representation to cases addressing housing issues such as discrimination, predatory lending, foreclosure, substandard housing conditions, and unlawful eviction practices.              |
|   | <b>Target Date</b>                                                                             | 9/30/2027                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
|   | <b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b> | Serve 94 unduplicated individuals                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
|   | <b>Location Description</b>                                                                    | Countywide                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
|   | <b>Planned Activities</b>                                                                      | CDBG - Public Services 24 CFR 570.201 (e)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| 5 | <b>Project Name</b>                                                                            | Helping Up Mission, Inc - Under One Roof Gateway Shelter Operations                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
|   | <b>Target Area</b>                                                                             |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
|   | <b>Goals Supported</b>                                                                         | Reduce Homelessness in Manatee County                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |

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|          | <b>Needs Addressed</b>                                                                         | Shelter Facilities and Operations                                                                       |
|          | <b>Funding</b>                                                                                 | CDBG: \$132,150.00                                                                                      |
|          | <b>Description</b>                                                                             | Under One Roof Gateway Shelter - General shelter operations                                             |
|          | <b>Target Date</b>                                                                             | 9/30/2027                                                                                               |
|          | <b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b> | Serve 250 unduplicated individuals                                                                      |
|          | <b>Location Description</b>                                                                    | Address: 407 57th Ave. E., Bradenton, FL 34203                                                          |
|          | <b>Planned Activities</b>                                                                      | CDBG - Public Services 24 CFR 570.201 (e)                                                               |
| <b>6</b> | <b>Project Name</b>                                                                            | Manatee Education Foundation, Inc. / Soar in 4 - Soar Lab Backyard Expansion                            |
|          | <b>Target Area</b>                                                                             |                                                                                                         |
|          | <b>Goals Supported</b>                                                                         | Expand Community Development Strategies                                                                 |
|          | <b>Needs Addressed</b>                                                                         | Public Facilities Improvements<br>Youth Education, Protection, and Facilities                           |
|          | <b>Funding</b>                                                                                 | CDBG: \$180,000.00                                                                                      |
|          | <b>Description</b>                                                                             | Soar Lab Backyard Expansion to include the installation of Kompan play structures, turf, and sunshades. |
|          | <b>Target Date</b>                                                                             | 9/30/2027                                                                                               |
|          | <b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b> | Build 1 playground facility to serve 5,500 children annually                                            |
|          | <b>Location Description</b>                                                                    | Address: 6413 9th St E, Bradenton, FL 34203                                                             |
|          | <b>Planned Activities</b>                                                                      | CDBG Public Facilities 24 CFR 570.201(c) 03E-Neighborhood Facilities                                    |
| <b>7</b> | <b>Project Name</b>                                                                            | Meals On Wheels PLUS of Manatee, Inc. - Unfunded Senior Meals                                           |
|          | <b>Target Area</b>                                                                             |                                                                                                         |
|          | <b>Goals Supported</b>                                                                         | Support Healthcare and Wellbeing Activities                                                             |
|          | <b>Needs Addressed</b>                                                                         | Senior Programs and Facilities<br>Basic Needs Assistance, Transportation Services                       |
|          | <b>Funding</b>                                                                                 | CDBG: \$25,000.00                                                                                       |

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|   | <b>Description</b>                                                                             | Unfunded Senior Meals 2026-27 to prevent hunger for home-bound Manatee County seniors and allow them to age in place without institutionalization.                                                                  |
|   | <b>Target Date</b>                                                                             | 9/30/2027                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
|   | <b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b> | Serve 35 unduplicated individuals                                                                                                                                                                                   |
|   | <b>Location Description</b>                                                                    | Countywide                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
|   | <b>Planned Activities</b>                                                                      | CDBG - Public Services 24 CFR 570.201 (e)                                                                                                                                                                           |
| 8 | <b>Project Name</b>                                                                            | The Salvation Army - Shelter Conversion Project                                                                                                                                                                     |
|   | <b>Target Area</b>                                                                             |                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
|   | <b>Goals Supported</b>                                                                         | Expand Community Development Strategies                                                                                                                                                                             |
|   | <b>Needs Addressed</b>                                                                         | Shelter Facilities and Operations                                                                                                                                                                                   |
|   | <b>Funding</b>                                                                                 | CDBG: \$157,940.00                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
|   | <b>Description</b>                                                                             | Shelter Conversion Project (FY 2025/26 Continuation) - Conversion of homeless congregate shelter for male adults into non-congregate shelter units for families with children. Funding to complete Phases I and II. |
|   | <b>Target Date</b>                                                                             | 9/30/2027                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
|   | <b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b> | 1 facility conversion. Non-congregate shelter units for families with children.                                                                                                                                     |
|   | <b>Location Description</b>                                                                    | 1204 14th Street West, Bradenton, FL 34205                                                                                                                                                                          |
|   | <b>Planned Activities</b>                                                                      | CDBG Public Facilities 24 CFR 570.201 (c) 03C-Homeless Facilities                                                                                                                                                   |
| 9 | <b>Project Name</b>                                                                            | Turning Points - Project Smile                                                                                                                                                                                      |
|   | <b>Target Area</b>                                                                             |                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
|   | <b>Goals Supported</b>                                                                         | Support Healthcare and Wellbeing Activities                                                                                                                                                                         |
|   | <b>Needs Addressed</b>                                                                         | Health and Dental Care for Underinsured                                                                                                                                                                             |
|   | <b>Funding</b>                                                                                 | CDBG: \$75,000.00                                                                                                                                                                                                   |

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|           | <b>Description</b>                                                                             | Project Smile 2026-27 community-based dental clinic, which provides free, high-quality oral care, dentures and other oral prosthetics to uninsured, income-eligible Manatee County residents. |
|           | <b>Target Date</b>                                                                             | 9/30/2027                                                                                                                                                                                     |
|           | <b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b> | Serve 150 unduplicated individuals                                                                                                                                                            |
|           | <b>Location Description</b>                                                                    | Countywide                                                                                                                                                                                    |
|           | <b>Planned Activities</b>                                                                      | CDBG - Public Services 24 CFR 570.201 (e)                                                                                                                                                     |
| <b>10</b> | <b>Project Name</b>                                                                            | Manatee County - Property Management - Under One Roof                                                                                                                                         |
|           | <b>Target Area</b>                                                                             |                                                                                                                                                                                               |
|           | <b>Goals Supported</b>                                                                         | Expand Community Development Strategies                                                                                                                                                       |
|           | <b>Needs Addressed</b>                                                                         | Shelter Facilities and Operations                                                                                                                                                             |
|           | <b>Funding</b>                                                                                 | CDBG: \$200,000.00                                                                                                                                                                            |
|           | <b>Description</b>                                                                             | Under One Roof - Kitchen Renovations                                                                                                                                                          |
|           | <b>Target Date</b>                                                                             | 9/30/2027                                                                                                                                                                                     |
|           | <b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b> | Rehabilitate 1 facility that serves 250 individuals                                                                                                                                           |
|           | <b>Location Description</b>                                                                    | Address: 407 57th Ave E, Bradenton, FL 34203                                                                                                                                                  |
|           | <b>Planned Activities</b>                                                                      | CDBG Public Facilities 24 CFR 570.201(c) 03C-Homeless Facilities                                                                                                                              |
| <b>11</b> | <b>Project Name</b>                                                                            | Manatee County - Public Works - Sidewalk Expansion                                                                                                                                            |
|           | <b>Target Area</b>                                                                             |                                                                                                                                                                                               |
|           | <b>Goals Supported</b>                                                                         | Expand Community Development Strategies                                                                                                                                                       |
|           | <b>Needs Addressed</b>                                                                         | Public Facilities Improvements                                                                                                                                                                |
|           | <b>Funding</b>                                                                                 | CDBG: \$200,000.00                                                                                                                                                                            |
|           | <b>Description</b>                                                                             | Sidewalk Expansion - CDBG Target Areas. Design, permit and construct approximately 6,900 linear feet (ÃÂÃ1.3 miles) of 5-foot sidewalk along 301 Blvd E from 51st Ave E to US 41.         |
|           | <b>Target Date</b>                                                                             | 9/30/2027                                                                                                                                                                                     |

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|           | <b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b> | Sidewalk project (1.3 miles) to benefit LMI residents in proximity.                                                                                                                                              |
|           | <b>Location Description</b>                                                                    | 301 Blvd E from 51st Ave E to US 41.                                                                                                                                                                             |
|           | <b>Planned Activities</b>                                                                      | CDBG Public Facilities 24 CFR 570.201(c) 03L-Sidewalks                                                                                                                                                           |
| <b>12</b> | <b>Project Name</b>                                                                            | CDBG Planning and Administration                                                                                                                                                                                 |
|           | <b>Target Area</b>                                                                             |                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
|           | <b>Goals Supported</b>                                                                         | Program Administration                                                                                                                                                                                           |
|           | <b>Needs Addressed</b>                                                                         | Planning, Preparedness, & Resiliency                                                                                                                                                                             |
|           | <b>Funding</b>                                                                                 | CDBG: \$396,200.00                                                                                                                                                                                               |
|           | <b>Description</b>                                                                             | 2026/27 CDBG Administration and Planning                                                                                                                                                                         |
|           | <b>Target Date</b>                                                                             | 9/30/2027                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
|           | <b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b> | N/A                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
|           | <b>Location Description</b>                                                                    | N/A                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
|           | <b>Planned Activities</b>                                                                      | CDBG - Program Administration 24 CFR 570.206                                                                                                                                                                     |
| <b>13</b> | <b>Project Name</b>                                                                            | Manatee County Habitat for Humanity - Palmetto Homes                                                                                                                                                             |
|           | <b>Target Area</b>                                                                             |                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
|           | <b>Goals Supported</b>                                                                         | Increase Access to Affordable Housing                                                                                                                                                                            |
|           | <b>Needs Addressed</b>                                                                         | Increase Supply of Affordable Housing                                                                                                                                                                            |
|           | <b>Funding</b>                                                                                 | HOME: \$111,000.00                                                                                                                                                                                               |
|           | <b>Description</b>                                                                             | Palmetto Townhomes - Construction of twenty (20) homeownership units (3BR/2BA) for income eligible Manatee County residents.<br>Address: 903 11th St W, Palmetto, FL 34221(Expected Mortgage: \$1,000 - \$1,200) |
|           | <b>Target Date</b>                                                                             | 9/30/2027                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
|           | <b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b> | There will be 20 homeownership units built with 1 HOME-Assisted Unit                                                                                                                                             |



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|           | <b>Location Description</b>                                                                    | Address: 903 11th St W, Palmetto, FL 34221                                                                                                                                                                         |
|           | <b>Planned Activities</b>                                                                      | HOME - CHDO Homeownership Development 24 CFR 92.300                                                                                                                                                                |
| <b>14</b> | <b>Project Name</b>                                                                            | The Salvation Army - TBRA                                                                                                                                                                                          |
|           | <b>Target Area</b>                                                                             |                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
|           | <b>Goals Supported</b>                                                                         | Increase Access to Affordable Housing                                                                                                                                                                              |
|           | <b>Needs Addressed</b>                                                                         | Rental Assistance                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
|           | <b>Funding</b>                                                                                 | HOME: \$200,000.00                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
|           | <b>Description</b>                                                                             | HOME Tenant-Based Rental Assistance Program to provide time-limited rental assistance, rental and utility deposits to Manatee County households at imminent risk of homelessness with incomes at or below 80% AMI. |
|           | <b>Target Date</b>                                                                             | 9/30/2027                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
|           | <b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b> | Serve 50 unduplicated households                                                                                                                                                                                   |
|           | <b>Location Description</b>                                                                    | Countywide                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
|           | <b>Planned Activities</b>                                                                      | HOME Tenant-Based Rental Assistance - 24 CFR 92.209                                                                                                                                                                |
|           |                                                                                                |                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| <b>15</b> | <b>Project Name</b>                                                                            | Turning Points - TBRA                                                                                                                                                                                              |
|           | <b>Target Area</b>                                                                             |                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
|           | <b>Goals Supported</b>                                                                         | Increase Access to Affordable Housing                                                                                                                                                                              |
|           | <b>Needs Addressed</b>                                                                         | Rental Assistance                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
|           | <b>Funding</b>                                                                                 | HOME: \$250,120.00                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
|           | <b>Description</b>                                                                             | HOME Tenant-Based Rental Assistance Program to provide short & medium-term rental assistance, rental and utility deposits to Manatee County families with children with incomes at or below 80% AMI.               |
|           | <b>Target Date</b>                                                                             | 9/30/2027                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
|           | <b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b> | Serve 25 unduplicated households                                                                                                                                                                                   |
|           | <b>Location Description</b>                                                                    | Countywide                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
|           | <b>Planned Activities</b>                                                                      | HOME Tenant-Based Rental Assistance (TBRA) 24 CFR 92.209                                                                                                                                                           |
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| 16 | <b>Project Name</b>                                                                            | HOME Planning and Administration                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
|    | <b>Target Area</b>                                                                             |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
|    | <b>Goals Supported</b>                                                                         | Program Administration                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
|    | <b>Needs Addressed</b>                                                                         | Planning, Preparedness, & Resiliency                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
|    | <b>Funding</b>                                                                                 | HOME: \$62,340.88                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
|    | <b>Description</b>                                                                             | 2026/27 HOME Administration and Planning                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
|    | <b>Target Date</b>                                                                             | 9/30/2027                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
|    | <b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b> | N/A                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
|    | <b>Location Description</b>                                                                    | N/A                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
|    | <b>Planned Activities</b>                                                                      | HOME - Program Administration 24 CFR 92.207                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| 17 | <b>Project Name</b>                                                                            | ESG26 Manatee County                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
|    | <b>Target Area</b>                                                                             |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
|    | <b>Goals Supported</b>                                                                         | Reduce Homelessness in Manatee County                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
|    | <b>Needs Addressed</b>                                                                         | Homeless Prevention Assistance<br>Rental Assistance                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
|    | <b>Funding</b>                                                                                 | ESG: \$161,149.00                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
|    | <b>Description</b>                                                                             | ESG Rapid Rehousing and Homelessness Prevention Program will provide housing relocation, stabilization services, and rental assistance to Manatee County residents who are literally homeless or at imminent risk of homelessness. (\$149,069)2026/27 ESG Administration and Planning (\$12,080) |
|    | <b>Target Date</b>                                                                             | 9/30/2027                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
|    | <b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b> | Serve 8 unduplicated households                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
|    | <b>Location Description</b>                                                                    | Countywide                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |

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|  | <b>Planned Activities</b> | <p>ESG Rapid Rehousing and Homelessness Prevention Program - 24 CFR 576.104 or 576.105 - will provide housing relocation, stabilization services, and rental assistance to Manatee County residents who are literally homeless or at imminent risk of homelessness. (\$149,069)</p> <p>2026/27 ESG Administration and Planning - 24 CFR 576.108 (\$12,080)</p> |
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## **AP-50 Geographic Distribution – 91.220(f)**

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

For the FY 2026/2027 Annual Action Plan, Manatee County will direct assistance to geographic areas with the greatest concentration of low and moderate income (LMI) residents, as well as areas identified as having higher levels of need. These areas are identified in Table 10 and reflect census tracts and block groups that meet HUD’s LMI national objective criteria.

The County prioritizes investments in these target areas to address gaps in access to safe and affordable housing, public infrastructure, and supportive services. Projects funded through CDBG and HOME that have a defined physical location are strategically located to benefit these areas and include Palmetto Townhomes, Sidewalk Expansion, Under One Roof, The Salvation Army Shelter Conversion Project, Soar Lab Backyard Expansion, Genesis Health Services Facility Expansion, and Easter Seals Southwest Florida Campus Kitchen Rehabilitation.

In addition to geographically targeted investments, several programs are implemented on a countywide basis and are available to income eligible households regardless of location. These activities, including housing assistance, tenant based rental assistance, and supportive services, ensure that LMI individuals and families throughout Manatee County, including those living outside of designated LMI areas, can access needed resources.

This approach allows the County to concentrate resources in areas of greatest need while maintaining flexibility to serve eligible residents throughout the community.

### **Geographic Distribution**

| <b>Target Area</b>  | <b>Percentage of Funds</b> |
|---------------------|----------------------------|
| Samoset Target Area | 10                         |

**Table 8 - Geographic Distribution**

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

Manatee County’s rationale for allocating investments geographically dependent upon the location of low- and moderate-income populations.

All other activities will benefit any person meeting the CDBG eligibility requirements for low- and

moderate-income benefit, including persons living in target areas. These other activities include legal services, rental assistance, public facility projects, affordable housing development, and services and shelter for the homeless or persons likely to become homeless, as well as the County's administration of CDBG, HOME, and ESG funds.

## **Discussion**

Manatee County has identified 17 projects to implement the six goals of the Strategic Plan during the fourth year of the 2023-2027 Consolidated Plan. These projects benefit low- and moderate-income persons countywide.

## Affordable Housing

### AP-55 Affordable Housing – 91.220(g)

#### Introduction

The County places a high priority on providing affordable homeownership and rental opportunity in Manatee County. This goal shall be addressed, in part, by local non-profit organizations and developers that construct affordable housing for lower-income homebuyers. In addition, the County will continue to deliver its housing rehabilitation and rental assistance programs, and to support homebuyer education and Fair Housing activities. Finally, the County will also continue to partner with non-profit agencies to subsidize rental assistance through new Tenant-Based Rental Assistance (TBRA) programs.

The Annual Action Plan must specify goals for the number of homeless, non-homeless, and special needs households to be supported within the program year. These numbers are shown in **Table 11** and are inclusive of the affordable housing activities shown in **Table 9**. **Table 12** indicates the number of households to be supported through specific activities, including rental assistance, production of new units, rehabilitation of existing units, or acquisition of existing units. For the purposes of this section, the term “affordable housing” is defined in the HOME regulations at 24 CFR 92.252 for rental housing and 24 CFR 92.254 for homeownership.

| One Year Goals for the Number of Households to be Supported |    |
|-------------------------------------------------------------|----|
| Homeless                                                    | 83 |
| Non-Homeless                                                | 1  |
| Special-Needs                                               | 0  |
| Total                                                       | 84 |

**Table 9 - One Year Goals for Affordable Housing by Support Requirement**

| One Year Goals for the Number of Households Supported Through |    |
|---------------------------------------------------------------|----|
| Rental Assistance                                             | 83 |
| The Production of New Units                                   | 1  |
| Rehab of Existing Units                                       | 0  |
| Acquisition of Existing Units                                 | 0  |
| Total                                                         | 84 |

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

#### Discussion



## **AP-60 Public Housing – 91.220(h)**

### **Introduction**

This section of the Annual Action Plan describes what actions Manatee County will take in the 2026 program year to carry out the public housing portion of the Strategic Plan.

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

Currently, Manatee County has two public housing authorities (PHAs) working within its borders. These include the Bradenton Public Housing Authority, which also manages the Hope VI housing project, and the Manatee County Housing Authority (MCHA).

The units/vouchers administered by these PHAs are in constant demand. Typical wait time is 4 to 5 years before receiving assistance. Currently, both public housing authorities have closed their waiting lists in an effort to manage the current demand.

According to the MCHA, they have taken the following steps to ensure consistency between their planning efforts and the Consolidated Plan for the jurisdiction:

- The PHA has based its statement of needs of families on its waiting lists on the needs expressed in the Consolidated Plan.
- The PHA has participated in many consultation processes, organized and offered by Manatee County, in the development of the Consolidated Plan.
- The PHA has consulted with the Consolidated Plan agency during development of their Plan. Activities to be undertaken by the PHA in the coming year are consistent with the initiatives contained in the Consolidated Plan.

Additionally, in 2024 Manatee County worked collaboratively with the MCHA to update the Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice. This effort strengthened coordination between agencies and helped identify barriers to fair housing, as well as strategies to address those barriers moving forward.

The County will continue to partner with MCHA to implement the recommendations outlined in the Analysis of Impediments and to promote fair housing practices throughout the community. This ongoing collaboration includes coordination on outreach efforts, policy development, and program implementation to ensure equitable access to housing opportunities for all residents.

Furthermore, Manatee County invites MCHA to participate in the annual project application review and scoring process. This involvement helps ensure that funding decisions are informed by fair housing considerations and aligned with identified community needs and priorities.



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

All programs outlined in the FY 2026/2027 Annual Action Plan are accessible to public housing residents and are designed to address the common challenges faced by low-income individuals, including those in public housing. Furthermore, public housing residents are actively encouraged to participate in the development of the Annual Action Plan.

To ensure resident input, Manatee County staff held a public meeting with the MCHA Resident Advisory Board on March 6, 2024. This meeting provided an opportunity for PHA residents to share feedback on County programs and the Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice report. Additionally, the MCHA has been invited to participate in the public hearing on March 2, 2026, as well as the activity selection committee process.

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

### **Discussion**

Affordable housing needs are met by multiple service providers in Manatee County. The MCHA currently administers 80 public housing units and 1,286 tenant-based vouchers (HCVs). The County will continue to coordinate referrals with the MCHA in order to connect low-income residents with housing options.

## **AP-65 Homeless and Other Special Needs Activities – 91.220(i)**

### **Introduction**

This section of the Annual Action Plan describes Manatee County's one-year goal, and the specific action steps it will undertake in the program year to carry out the homeless strategy identified in the Strategic Plan. Additionally, this section addresses any activities related to the supportive housing needs of non-homeless populations.

### **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**

Consistent with the Five-Year Consolidated Plan's Strategic Plan, Manatee County will continue to prioritize efforts to reduce and prevent homelessness through coordinated outreach, service delivery, and housing stabilization strategies. In FY 2026/2027, the County will advance a comprehensive approach that emphasizes both immediate assistance and long term housing solutions.

A central component of the County's strategy is proactive outreach to individuals experiencing homelessness, particularly those who are unsheltered. Manatee County paramedicine teams, in partnership with the Manatee County Sheriff's Office, Centerstone, and local law enforcement agencies, conduct regular outreach activities throughout the community. In addition, the County has expanded capacity by supporting dedicated outreach staff. Outreach workers serve as mobile access points to the homeless response system, conducting needs assessments, completing Coordinated Entry evaluations, and connecting individuals to housing and supportive services. These efforts allow providers to identify urgent needs, prioritize vulnerable populations, and link individuals to available resources such as emergency shelter, rental assistance, or community-based funding sources such as Season of Sharing.

The County continues to invest Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) funds and other federal, state, and local resources to support a range of homelessness response activities. These include homelessness prevention services, rapid rehousing, and housing relocation and stabilization services, along with short- and medium-term rental assistance to help households avoid eviction or quickly return to stable housing. ESG funded programs also support outreach, essential services, and coordinated entry activities.

Additional targeted initiatives address both immediate needs and underlying barriers to housing stability. Project Smile, a nationally recognized program, provides dental prosthetics and related services to individuals experiencing homelessness, helping remove barriers to employment and self-sufficiency. Disaster Survivor Services funding will assist individuals and families who were homeless or at risk of homelessness before or after the 2024 hurricane season by providing essential services not covered by

other federal programs.

Manatee County also supports sheltering and housing expansion efforts during the current program year, including Under One Roof kitchen renovations; the Salvation Army Shelter Conversion Project (FY2025/2026 continuation), which is converting a congregate shelter for single adult males into non-congregate units for families with children and completing Phases I and II; and general operations for the Under One Roof Gateway Shelter. The County is also funding ESG Rapid Rehousing and Homelessness Prevention activities that provide housing relocation, stabilization services, and rental assistance to residents who are homeless or at imminent risk of homelessness. While some ESG-funded activities remain underway, all funds have been committed and will continue into FY2026.

The County maintains strong coordination with the Suncoast Partnership to End Homelessness and a broad network of public, private, nonprofit, and faith-based partners. Through this collaborative framework, Manatee County strengthens provider capacity, aligns resources, and ensures an effective and coordinated response to homelessness. The County has also leveraged prior CDBG CV funding to support non congregate sheltering and coordinated outreach to encampments in partnership with The Salvation Army, Turning Points, local police departments, and the Sheriff's Office.

Together, these efforts reflect a coordinated system focused on outreach, assessment, prevention, and rapid housing placement, positioning Manatee County to make measurable progress toward reducing and ultimately ending homelessness.

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

Manatee County continues to address critical gaps in emergency shelter and transitional housing through facility expansion, targeted investments, and coordinated service delivery. Currently, the primary shelter is operated by The Salvation Army and serves mostly single men, with only six units available for families with children. The facility operates at or above capacity, and while some accommodations are made for women, overall shelter capacity remains insufficient.

To address these needs, the County is making significant General Fund investments in new shelter infrastructure. The Under One Roof campus, which began serving individuals in 2025, will continue operating and expanding in 2026. This initiative represents the first phase of a broader redesign of the homeless response system.

Under One Roof includes Gateway South, an emergency housing program for women experiencing homelessness, including those facing crisis or substance use challenges. The program provides shelter, meals, hygiene facilities, and stabilization services, while connecting individuals to case management, recovery support, and housing resources. The facility serves up to 40 women. The Under One Roof Resource Center serves as a centralized access point for individuals experiencing homelessness or at risk

of housing instability, offering coordinated intake, case management, healthcare referrals, employment assistance, and housing navigation.

The County is also advancing Project Fresh Start, a planned lower barrier shelter designed to serve a growing single adult population, including individuals involved in the criminal justice system. Following its implementation, The Salvation Army will transition to serving families exclusively, increasing family shelter capacity from 6 to approximately 26 units.

In addition to expanding shelter capacity, the County prioritizes prevention and rapid rehousing to reduce reliance on shelters. Emergency Solutions Grant, HOME, and HOME ARP funds support rental assistance, housing relocation and stabilization services, and rapid rehousing. These programs help individuals avoid homelessness or quickly return to permanent housing.

For the 2026 program year, ESG funds will support Rapid Rehousing and Homelessness Prevention through Catholic Charities Diocese of Venice.

In the past the County has supported non-congregate shelter options such as hotel vouchers and public facility improvements, including the HOPE Domestic Violence Shelter rehabilitation. While Community Development funds were not used for new construction, they support individuals transitioning from shelter to permanent housing.

Through coordination with the Suncoast Partnership to End Homelessness and local providers, Manatee County is expanding shelter capacity, improving service access, and implementing a more effective and responsive system to meet emergency shelter and transitional housing needs.

**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**

Homelessness prevention remains a central priority for Manatee County's homeless response system. Consistent with the Consolidated Plan, the County continues to implement strategies that emphasize coordinated service delivery, system integration, and proactive interventions to prevent individuals and families from entering homelessness. These efforts are carried out in close partnership with the Suncoast Partnership to End Homelessness, Inc., the designated Continuum of Care (CoC), as well as a network of nonprofit and community-based providers.

During the program year, the County will work collaboratively with the Suncoast Partnership and key service providers, including Turning Points, The Salvation Army, and Catholic Charities, to advance a coordinated discharge planning approach. This system is designed to ensure that individuals exiting publicly funded institutions, including healthcare, behavioral health, and correctional systems, are connected to housing and supportive services prior to release, thereby reducing the risk of homelessness.

Manatee County continues to utilize ESG and CDBG resources to support homelessness prevention, rapid rehousing, housing relocation, stabilization services, and move-in assistance. These programs help households avoid eviction, quickly exit homelessness, and secure permanent housing. ESG funds support coordinated entry, homelessness prevention, and rapid rehousing activities implemented through the CoC.

The County continues to fund and partner with Turning Points and other CoC agencies to deliver comprehensive supportive services, including case management, medical and behavioral health care, mental health counseling, employment assistance, and self-sufficiency training. Turning Points serves as a centralized hub for wraparound services, providing coordinated access to healthcare, legal assistance, social services, and specialized support for veterans and individuals experiencing unsheltered homelessness or transitioning from institutional settings.

In addition, monthly People Assisting The Homeless (PATH) meetings strengthen coordination among service providers by facilitating information sharing, improving awareness of available resources, and supporting direct referrals. This ongoing collaboration enhances service delivery and ensures individuals and families can more effectively access the resources needed to achieve and maintain stable housing.

Through these combined efforts, Manatee County is strengthening its homelessness prevention system, improving discharge coordination, and advancing a more integrated, community-wide approach to reducing and ultimately ending homelessness.

**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 increased housing costs have been putting many Manatee County households through financial distress. Homeless prevention is a major concern and goal of Manatee County. Strategies outlined in the Consolidated Plan will continue to support the efforts of the Suncoast Partnership to End Homelessness, Inc., through this Action Plan Program Year.

During the 2026 program year, Manatee County will have a total of two experienced agencies providing rental assistance from different Community Development funding sources. Each of these agencies target specific types of households, which was a model designed to have agencies that are also specialized in serving certain household types of demographics. The overall strategy is to combine the different funding sources available from HUD grants, as well as other local funds, and create a comprehensive 12- to 18-month program that supports individuals from the moment of crisis through self-sufficiency. All agencies will have funding and resources available to get their clients through a cycle of sheltering and stabilization services, comprehensive rental assistance, and progressive less subsidized rental assistance. This will seek to get clients into a self-sufficient, permanent housing status.

Manatee County will coordinate with the Suncoast Partnership to End Homelessness, the County's designated CoC lead agency, along with other homeless service providers, to implement a cohesive, community-wide discharge coordination policy aimed at preventing individuals from becoming homeless upon release from publicly funded agencies and institutions. However, a significant challenge in effectively implementing this strategy is the community's limited availability of emergency shelter resources, particularly facilities equipped to support individuals with medical needs exiting hospitals or similar institutions. Additionally, the overall shortage of affordable and supportive housing options further strains the ability to provide stable placements for individuals transitioning out of institutional care. Existing programs, including Turning Points, The Salvation Army, and Catholic Charities, play a critical role in addressing these needs, but additional resources are necessary to close existing service gaps and ensure successful housing outcomes for this vulnerable population.

The County will coordinate with Suncoast Partnership to End Homelessness (lead agency) and other CoC member agencies that offer self-sufficiency training, medical/healthcare, mental health counseling, case management, and other activities to prevent homelessness in populations that may be discharged from systems of care but require housing assistance and continued access to related social services.

## **Discussion**

The County plans to allocate the entire ESG allocation (minus the 7.5% allowed administration budget) toward homeless services for the 2026 program year. These activities will provide much needed services for people experiencing homelessness.

Special needs in Manatee County include meal and home repair assistance for seniors, supportive housing for persons with disabilities, substance abuse and mental health counseling, HIV/AIDS services, and support in response to domestic violence and at-risk youth. The following 2026 program year activities will support persons with special needs. These activities include:

- Turning Points – Project Smile
- Gulfcoast Legal Services, Inc. – Housing Legal Assistance
- The Salvation Army and Turning Points - Tenant-Based Rental Assistance

- Meals on Wheels PLUS of Manatee, Inc. - Unfunded Senior Meals

Additionally, the County continues to administer the Manatee County Housing Rehabilitation Program.

## **AP-75 Barriers to affordable housing – 91.220(j)**

### **Introduction:**

Manatee County is dedicated to providing affordable housing to homeless, non-homeless, and special needs households. During the 2026 program year, the County will utilize the Housing Rapid Response Team, Land Development Code, Urban Corridor Plan, Affordable Housing Impact Fee Program, and the recently enacted Livable Manatee Incentive Program for Qualified New Affordable Housing that act to reduce barriers to and incentivize affordable housing. Moreover, County staff will review and identify required revisions to the Comprehensive Plan and Land Development Code to further fair housing and remove or ameliorate barriers to affordable housing.

With regard to fair housing, Manatee County has in previous years made available funds to the Gulf Coast Legal Services for elderly, low- and moderate-income residents who are victims of predatory lending practices, foreclosure rescue scams, persons who are experiencing or who have experienced discrimination and/or fraud in housing and to remedy these matters through negotiation, mediation, or litigation.

### **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 can have a direct impact on barriers to affordable housing. Manatee County has recognized this fact and has reviewed its own process to expose any barriers or obstacles to developing affordable housing. From this review, a few concerns were noted.

These included the review time by the staff and the cost to the developer, the limited code allowances for affordable or workforce housing, and impact fees. To alleviate these three concerns, a variety of policies and or regulations were put into practice. An in-depth description of these policies and regulations are provided within the Consolidated Plan. An overview is outlined here:

Housing Rapid Response Team – assists housing developers who wish to participate in the County's affordable/workforce housing programs expedite the development and permitting processes. Manatee County Land Development Code – outlines incentives which may be available to developers of affordable/workforce housing developments. Developers for income-eligible households may seek expedited review and permit processing, review and permit fee refunds, and other incentives, as applicable.

The Manatee County Board of County Commissioners adopted a Resolution on February 24, 2004, establishing the Manatee County Affordable Housing Impact Fee Program. Beginning June 19, 2004,



Manatee County began to provide assistance to developers of owner-occupied affordable housing, in the form of reimbursement of a portion of impact fees for the creation of owner-occupied affordable housing for low- to moderate-income households. This incentive is currently under review for expansion of the program to include incentives for the creation of affordable rental units.

The County will provide assistance to make up the difference between the fees for County facilities in effect prior to June 19, 2004, and the fees adopted pursuant to Ordinance 04-19. Additionally, the County is now working toward payment of developer school impact fees for affordable housing development, serving low-to moderate-income households.

Manatee County is currently working on revisions to the affordable housing incentives in the Comprehensive Plan and Land Development Code, which will provide enhanced incentives for both owner-occupied and for affordable rental housing.

Manatee County is dedicated to providing affordable housing to homeless, non-homeless, and special needs households. The County has developed the Affordable Housing Advisory Committee (AHAC) To review the established policies and procedures, ordinances, land development regulations, and adopted local government comprehensive plan of the appointing local government and is tasked with recommending specific actions or initiatives to encourage or facilitate affordable housing while protecting the ability of the property to appreciate in value.

### **Discussion:**

Manatee County actively refers individuals and households looking for affordable housing to various programs and resources such as:

- **Florida Housing Search:** A web-based housing locator service that allows people to locate available housing that best fits their individual and family needs. The service can be accessed online 24 hours a day and is supported by a toll-free, bilingual call center M-F, 9:00 am - 8:00 pm EDT. Individuals can easily search for housing using a wide variety of search criteria with special mapping features and receive apartment listings that provide a multitude of important information about each unit. In addition, the site connects people to other housing resources through website links and provides helpful tools for renters such as an affordability calculator, rental checklist, and renter rights and responsibilities information.
- **Volunteers of America - Manatee County:** Provides income eligible housing and behavioral healthcare services in quiet, residential communities that are located on bus routes and convenient to employment opportunities.
- **Manatee County Housing Authority:** Public Housing Authority (PHA) that provides low-income rental assistance within Manatee County.
- **Manatee County Rental List:** A list of rental properties and apartments located throughout Manatee County complete with addresses and contact information.
- **United Way 2-1-1 Manasota:** Provides free and confidential information and referral services 24/7 that connect people to local resources.
- **Turning Points:** Provide housing services such as rental and utility assistance.
- **Salvation Army:** Provide housing services

such as rental and utility assistance.

Manatee County will continue providing housing programs and services, as resources are available, through the Community and Veterans Services Department. These programs include:

- Certified Lending Training
- Downpayment Assistance
- Housing Rehabilitation Program
- Housing Replacement Program

Finally, there are additional opportunities for homeless, non-homeless, and special needs households to obtain affordable housing. Manatee County has in previous years made available funds to the Gulf Coast Legal Services for elderly, low- and moderate-income residents who are victims of predatory lending practices, foreclosure rescue scams, persons who are experiencing or who have experienced discrimination and/or fraud in housing and to remedy these matters through negotiation, workouts, mediation or litigation.

During the 2026 program year, the County will utilize the Housing Rapid Response Team, Land Development Code, Urban Corridor Plan, Affordable Housing Impact Fee Program, and the recently enacted Livable Manatee Incentive Program for Qualified New Affordable Housing (effective August 22, 2017) to reduce barriers to and incentivize affordable housing. It should also be noted that, through the development of the AFH, the County identified several policies and regulations that need to be reviewed with the goal in determining what impediments to fair housing and barriers to affordable housing exist within these policies. The Land Development Code and County Comprehensive Plan were identified as documents that will need to be reviewed. During the 2026 program year, County staff will continue to review and identify required revisions to the Comprehensive Plan and Land Development Code to further fair housing and remove or ameliorate barriers to affordable housing.

## **AP-85 Other Actions – 91.220(k)**

### **Introduction:**

This section of the Annual Action Plan describes the Manatee County’s planned actions to carry out the following strategies outlined in the Strategic Plan:

- Foster and maintain affordable housing;
- Evaluate and reduce lead based paint hazards;
- Reduce the number of poverty level families;
- Develop institutional structure; and
- Enhance coordination.

In addition, the County has identified obstacles to meeting underserved needs and proposed actions to overcome those obstacles.

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

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

The County will continue to deliver its long-standing housing programs, including housing rehabilitation, housing replacement, rental assistance, and down payment assistance, coordinate with non-profit organizations and developers that construct affordable housing, and support homebuyer education and Fair Housing activities. These housing activities will support 88 households through a combination of production of new units, rehabilitation of existing units, direct financial assistance, and short-term to medium-term rental assistance.

Also during the 2026 program year, the County will utilize the Housing Rapid Response Team, Land Development Code, Urban Corridor Plan, Affordable Housing Impact Fee Program, and the Livable Manatee Incentive Program for Qualified New Affordable Housing (effective August 22, 2017) to reduce barriers to and incentivize affordable housing. These programs foster affordable housing through expedited review and permitting, impact fee waivers, density and height allowances, and other measures to facilitate the production of new units affordable to low and moderate-income residents.

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

During the coming year, the Manatee County Health Department will continue to test low-income children for lead poisoning, as well as investigate any cases found. The County will meet the requirements of the new lead-based paint regulations by undertaking the actions shown in the Consolidated Plan as outlined below.

Participating contractors who have not attended the training continue to be encouraged to obtain training certification in lead-based paint safety procedures. The County will address the lead-based paint hazards that are found in all homes rehabilitated with the County's CDBG and/or HOME funds. Only homes that are pre-1978 are subject to the lead-based paint provisions and, fortunately, many homes in Manatee County were constructed after 1978.

The County will continue to encourage appropriate staff and participating contractors to attend training and obtain certification in "Lead-Based Paint Safe Work Practices" for County construction and rehabilitation projects.

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

Through activities proposed in the FY 2026/2027 Annual Action Plan, Manatee County has developed a program that will serve poverty level families and those in need. Through various housing initiatives the County will aim to increase the number of affordable units available, along with providing funds to rehabilitation substandard housing for income qualified households.

Also, with regards to basic needs programs, legal services, and homeless prevention the County will provide a series of public services that address the priority needs identified within the Consolidated

Plan.

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

The County has a strong institutional structure in place to carry out its housing and community development strategies. The County's CVS department will administer the CDBG, HOME, and ESG, programs.

In conjunction with other County operating departments, CVS will work to implement public works projects proposed by the 2023-2027 Consolidated Plan or any of the annual Action Plans.

Manatee County, unlike many others, has a dedicated tax millage for services for abused, neglected, and at-risk children to supplement similar programs. Accordingly, CVS and the County's non-profit agencies have long-standing ties and an effective delivery system for social services to the youth. CVS will integrate the public service activities proposed in the Consolidated Plan or Action Plan with these ongoing operations.

Manatee County receives SHIP and HOME funding. CVS has an effective public/private affordable housing production system in place. The affordable housing activities proposed in the Consolidated Plan and Action Plan will be integrated into these ongoing operations.

Suncoast Partnership to End Homelessness, Inc. is the lead agency for Continuum of Care in Manatee County. This is the non-profit entity that will administer the Continuum of Care process and homeless funding for both Manatee and Sarasota Counties. Representatives from Manatee County government, public housing authority, law enforcement, homeless providers, and mental health providers are members of this organization. This entity will be responsible for developing the Continuum of Care plan and prioritizing homeless funding for Manatee County, alongside the homeless task force and the CoC Leadership Council.

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

The Manatee County CVS will continue to coordinate with various community groups and service agencies to determine objectives and goals through the public participation process. These groups play a vital role in implementing the Five-Year Consolidated Plan and the One-Year Action Plans, CAPERs, and any proposed Substantial Amendments. All stakeholders are welcomed and encouraged to participate in the implementation of this Consolidated Plan and Action Plan.

The Community & Veterans Services Homeless Project Manager is an active member of the Continuum of Care Leadership Council, hosts a monthly Homeless Task Force comprised of executive level leaders in the homeless response community, sits on the Continuum of Care's Strategic Planning Committee and fills a monthly agenda item on Manatee County lead agency's "People Assisting the Homeless (PATH)"

community meeting.

The Project Selection Review Committee for 2026/2027 reviewed project applications and consisted of 9 members of the Community & Veterans Services grant managers, but also included the Director of Housing Choice Vouchers of the Manatee County Housing Authority and Chief Executive Officer of Suncoast Partnership to End Homelessness (CoC).

**Discussion:**

For the fourth year Annual Action Plan, the County will support activities that will address underserved needs through community development and public services; foster and maintain affordable housing through housing programs, replacement, and homebuyer assistance; reduce lead-based paint hazards through responsible rehabilitation; reduce the number of poverty-level families through a combination public services, housing initiatives, and economic development activities; and continue to develop and maintain an institutional structure through a network of community partners, including the County and its departments. Additionally, the County will continue to encourage coordination with the MCHA, non-profit and private for-profit housing developers, and public service providers, Annual Action Plan participation, and regular day-to-day referrals through CVS.

## Program Specific Requirements

### AP-90 Program Specific Requirements – 91.220(I)(1,2,4)

#### Introduction:

This section addresses the program specific requirements for the Annual Action Plan; included are the CDBG, HOME, and ESG programs.

Projects planned with all CDBG, HOME, and ESG funds expected to be available during the year are identified in **Table 9. Table 13** identifies any program income that is available for use that is included in projects to be carried out. As shown, \$0 is currently available.

#### 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                                            | 0        |
| 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. | 0        |
| 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                                                   | 0        |
| 5. The amount of income from float-funded activities                                                                                                                                           | 0        |
| <b>Total Program Income:</b>                                                                                                                                                                   | <b>0</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. | 100.00% |

**HOME Investment Partnership Program (HOME)**  
**Reference 24 CFR 91.220(l)(2)**

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

The County will use funding from the State Housing Initiatives Program (SHIP) and/or other federal grants for the matching requirements under the HOME program.

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:

Manatee County uses the recapture method for the entire amount of HOME funds provided as a subsidy, when HOME-assisted homeownership housing does not continue to be the principal residence of the assisted homebuyer for the full affordability period. The recapture provision is subject to the limitation that when the recapture requirement is triggered by a sale, voluntary or involuntary, of the housing unit, and there are no net proceeds or the net proceeds are insufficient to repay the HOME investment due, the County can only recapture the net proceeds, if any. The net proceeds are the sales price minus the superior loan repayment and closing costs. This language is included in the loan documents. These funds will be used by the County for other eligible HOME activities.

The proceeds from the sale of a CHDO property are retained by the CHDO and used in conformance with 24 CFR 92.300(a)(2).

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:

See the response to number 2, above.



4. 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:

The County will not use HOME funds to refinance the existing debt for multi-family projects.

5. If applicable to a planned HOME TBRA activity, a description of the preference for persons with special needs or disabilities. (See 24 CFR 92.209(c)(2)(i) and CFR 91.220(l)(2)(vii)).

Not applicable.

6. If applicable to a planned HOME TBRA activity, a description of how the preference for a specific category of individuals with disabilities (e.g. persons with HIV/AIDS or chronic mental illness) will narrow the gap in benefits and the preference is needed to narrow the gap in benefits and services received by such persons. (See 24 CFR 92.209(c)(2)(ii) and 91.220(l)(2)(vii)).

Not applicable.

7. If applicable, a description of any preference or limitation for rental housing projects. (See 24 CFR 92.253(d)(3) and CFR 91.220(l)(2)(vii)). Note: Preferences cannot be administered in a manner that limits the opportunities of persons on any basis prohibited by the laws listed under 24 CFR 5.105(a).

Not applicable.

**Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG)**  
**Reference 91.220(l)(4)**

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

In Program Year 2026/2027, Manatee County will receive its fourth allocation of ESG funding for the 2023 – 2027 Consolidated Planning cycle in the amount of \$161,149, made available through the HEARTH Act from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. These funds will be utilized in support of homeless prevention and rapid rehousing for the homeless. The Suncoast Partnership, the lead agency for the Continuum of Care (CoC) and social service providers serving those experiencing homelessness, have prepared written standards which are located within the Appendix of this report, and will be updated during the lifetime of this Consolidated Plan.

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 Suncoast Partnership, the lead agency for the Continuum of Care (CoC) and social service providers serving those experiencing homelessness, have established a coordinated entry and assessment system in full compliance with HUD requirements. This system includes designated access points where those experiencing literal homelessness and in need of a housing intervention can be identified and assessed. If a client cannot be diverted from homelessness, information pertaining to the client and their housing situation is placed on the CoC community by-name list. Utilizing information from the community by-name list, Suncoast Partnership, as the lead agency for the Continuum of Care, prioritizes clients for housing interventions available in the community through social service providers. The Manatee and Sarasota CoC coordinated entry system also includes trained outreach specialists who can serve as mobile access points on the streets.

The CoC meets regularly to share best practices, solve problems and introduce new ideas. Some very important activities entrusted to the CoC are the homeless task force, annual point-in-time census of individuals experiencing homelessness, and the corresponding survey of available emergency shelter beds, transitional housing units, and permanent housing units. This data helps the members with vital information on the needs and gaps in the system, and helps redirect services, funding and other resources as the needs of those experiencing homelessness in the community shift.

The CoC has established a centralized assessment system using HMIS principles. The CoC leadership council approves all major changes and updates to coordinated entry system. The current coordinated entry system is Oneby1. The Oneby1 Coordinated Entry System (CES) allows for people in Sarasota and Manatee County to access needed housing and other services through a uniform screening and assessment, defined prioritization and program matching guidelines, and monitored referrals to services to help those seeking housing and services access programs more efficiently. Clients who are literally homeless, or cannot be otherwise diverted, will receive a Oneby1 Coordinated Entry Access Point Intake at one of the 9 Access Points in our community. Clients are

then added to the Community By-Name List (BNL) and may be prioritized for a referral to a housing project.

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).

Manatee County is collaborating with the Suncoast Partnership to End Homelessness, the lead agency for the Continuum of Care (CoC), to appropriately allocate and administer these funds. The County aims to leverage these ESG dollars with the CoC which already receives and allocates grant dollars from the State of Florida. By leveraging funds, the County can ensure that the ESG funds make the most positive impact possible.

Manatee County's match amount for ESG will come from the selected subrecipients who receive grant funds through other non-federal sources. ESG match may also come from other local sources that fund initiatives to address the priority needs of sheltering and supportive services to individuals who are unhoused.

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.

Manatee County itself does not have individuals currently experiencing homelessness or individuals formerly homeless elected to the commission but actively participates in the CoC Leadership Council for policy discussions and funding decisions. The CoC Leadership Council includes those with lived homeless experience, and the CoC membership includes active participants who are currently homeless or have past lived experience.

5. Describe performance standards for evaluating ESG.

During 2026/2027 program year, Manatee County will work with the CoC and social service providers serving those experiencing homelessness to create additional performance standards that ensure that ESG funds are used efficiently. This is being done in collaboration with the CoC Leadership Council.

## Attachments

## Grantee Unique Appendices













