

Request for Release of Funds and Certification

U.S. Department of Housing
and Urban Development
Office of Community Planning
and Development

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This form is to be used by Responsible Entities and Recipients (as defined in 24 CFR 58.2) when requesting the release of funds, and requesting the authority to use such funds, for HUD programs identified by statutes that provide for the assumption of the environmental review responsibility by units of general local government and States. Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 36 minutes per response, including the time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information. This agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless that collection displays a valid OMB control number.

Part 1. Program Description and Request for Release of Funds (to be completed by Responsible Entity)

1. Program Title(s) Small Cities Community Development Block Grant	2. HUD/State Identification Number 23DB-H08	3. Recipient Identification Number (optional) <div></div>
4. OMB Catalog Number(s) 14.228	5. Name and address of responsible entity Hernando County 15470 Flight Path Drive Brooksville, Florida 34604	
6. For information about this request, contact (name & phone number) Veda Ramirez (352) 540-4338		
8. HUD or State Agency and office unit to receive request Florida CDBG Program Department of Commerce 107 East Madison Street, MSC-400 Tallahassee, Florida 32399-6508	7. Name and address of recipient (if different than responsible entity) Hernando County Housing & Supportive Services 621 W. Jefferson Street Brooksville, Florida 34601	

The recipient(s) of assistance under the program(s) listed above requests the release of funds and removal of environmental grant conditions governing the use of the assistance for the following

9. Program Activity(ies)/Project Name(s) Hernando County Owner-Occupied Housing Rehabilitation	10. Location (Street address, city, county, State) Unspecified Sites throughout Unincorporated Hernando County
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11. Program Activity/Project Description

The recipient will use the awarded CDBG funding to assist residents throughout Hernando County. Hernando County will use the CDBG funding under the housing rehabilitation category, necessary repairs may be provided in the form of renovation or demolition and replacement of existing housing units. At a minimum, 11 housing units whose occupants qualify as low-to moderate income (LMI) households will be rehabilitated consistent with the adopted housing code. Two of the eleven homes proposed to be assisted will be occupied by persons having at or below 30% AMI. Assistance to housing units will be provided through construction repair s and temporary relocation for residents, as may be required. A relocation allowance will be provided to residents that must be relocated. Necessary repairs may be provided in the form of renovation of existing housing units or new construction of a portion of r the entire housing unit.

Budget:

Housing Rehabilitation / Demo Replacement \$625,000
Temporary Relocation \$12,000
Administration \$112,500

Part 2. Environmental Certification (to be completed by responsible entity)

With reference to the above Program Activity(ies)/Project(s), I, the undersigned officer of the responsible entity, certify that:

1. The responsible entity has fully carried out its responsibilities for environmental review, decision-making and action pertaining to the project(s) named above.
2. The responsible entity has assumed responsibility for and complied with and will continue to comply with, the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, as amended, and the environmental procedures, permit requirements and statutory obligations of the laws cited in 24 CFR 58.5; and also agrees to comply with the authorities in 24 CFR 58.6 and applicable State and local laws.

3. The responsible entity has assumed responsibility for and complied with and will continue to comply with Section 106 of the National

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Historic Preservation Act, and its implementing regulations 36 CFR 800, including consultation with the State Historic Preservation Officer, Indian tribes and Native Hawaiian organizations, and the public.

4. After considering the type and degree of environmental effects identified by the environmental review completed for the proposed project described in Part 1 of this request, I have found that the proposal did ☐ did not ☒ require the preparation and dissemination of an environmental impact statement.
5. The responsible entity has disseminated and/or published in the manner prescribed by 24 CFR 58.43 and 58.55 a notice to the public in accordance with 24 CFR 58.70 and as evidenced by the attached copy (copies) or evidence of posting and mailing procedure.
6. The dates for all statutory and regulatory time periods for review, comment or other action are in compliance with procedures and requirements of 24 CFR Part 58.
7. In accordance with 24 CFR 58.71(b), the responsible entity will advise the recipient (if different from the responsible entity) of any special environmental conditions that must be adhered to in carrying out the project.

As the duly designated certifying official of the responsible entity, I also certify that:

8. I am authorized to and do consent to assume the status of Federal official under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 and each provision of law designated in the 24 CFR 58.5 list of NEPA-related authorities insofar as the provisions of these laws apply to the HUD responsibilities for environmental review, decision-making and action that have been assumed by the responsible entity.
9. I am authorized to and do accept, on behalf of the recipient personally, the jurisdiction of the Federal courts for the enforcement of all these responsibilities, in my capacity as certifying officer of the responsible entity.

Signature of Certifying Officer of the Responsible Entity

Title of Certifying Officer

Chair, Hernando County Board of County Commissioners

Date signed

10-22-2024

Address of Certifying Officer
15470 Flight Path Drive
Brooksville, Florida 34604

Part 3. To be completed when the Recipient is not the Responsible Entity

The recipient requests the release of funds for the programs and activities identified in Part 1 and agrees to abide by the special conditions, procedures and requirements of the environmental review and to advise the responsible entity of any proposed change in the scope of the project or any change in environmental conditions in accordance with 24 CFR 58.71(b).

Signature of Authorized Officer of the Recipient

Title of Authorized Officer

Date signed

We, the undersigned, certify under penalty of perjury that the information provided above is true and correct. WARNING: Anyone who knowingly submits a false claim or makes a false statement is subject to criminal and/or civil penalties, including confinement for up to 5 years, fines, and civil and administrative penalties. (18 U.S.C. §§ 287, 1001, 1010, 1012, 1014; 31 U.S.C. § 3729, 3802)

