

Small Cities Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Citizen Advisory Task Force Meeting & First Public Hearing Notice

TOWN OF HAVANA, FLORIDA

The Town of Havana is considering applying to Florida Commerce for the FFY 2023-2024 Small Cities Community Development Block Grant (CDBG). The Town is eligible to apply for funds in the neighborhood revitalization, commercial revitalization, housing rehabilitation and the economic development categories. Florida Commerce has waived the previous funding limit requirements for this round of CDBG funding. Construction activities funded through the CDBG Program must meet one of the following National Objectives:

1. Provide benefit to low- and moderate-income persons;
2. Prevent or eliminate slum or blight conditions; or
3. Meet a need of recent origin having a particular urgency.

The types of activities that CDBG funds may be used for include constructing stormwater ponds, paving roads and sidewalks, installing sewer and water lines, building a community center or park, making improvements to a sewage treatment plant, and rehabilitating low-income homes. Additional information regarding the range of activities that could be funded will be provided at the public hearing.

In developing a CDBG application, the Town of Havana must plan to minimize displacement of persons as a result of the activities. In addition, the Town is required to develop a plan to assist displaced persons.

A **Citizen Advisory Task Force (CATF) Meeting** will be held on **April 8th, 2025 at 5:00 p.m. at the Council Chambers at Town Hall, located at 711 N Main St, Havana, FL 32333** to discuss community needs and make project recommendations.

A **Public Hearing** to obtain citizen comment concerning the Town's economic and community development needs will be held at the **Council Chambers at Town Hall located at 711 N Main St, Havana, FL 32333, on April 8th, 2025 at 6:00 p.m.**

The CATF meeting and public hearing are being conducted in handicapped accessible locations. Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in the hearing is asked to advise the Town at least five days before the hearing.

For more information concerning the public hearing, or to request special accommodation, please contact **Kendrah Wilkerson, Town Manager**, at **(850) 539-2820** or **manager@townofhavana.com**. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the Town of Havana using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800) 955-8771 (TTY) or 1(800) 955-8770 (Voice).

Any non-English speaking person wishing to attend the public hearing should contact **Kendrah Wilkerson, Town Manager**, at **(850) 539-2820** or **manager@townofhavana.com** at least five days prior to the hearing and an interpreter will be provided.

Cualquier persona que no hable inglés y desee asistir a la audiencia pública debe comunicarse con **Kendrah Wilkerson, administradora de la ciudad**, al **(850) 539-2820** o **manager@townofhavana.com** al menos cinco días antes de la audiencia y se le proporcionará un intérprete.