

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETINGS

Pinellas County Community Development Block Grant – Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR) Funding for Hurricanes Idalia, Helene, and Milton

The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) directly awarded Pinellas County \$813,783,000 in Community Development Block Grant – Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR) funds to support long-term recovery efforts following Hurricanes Idalia, Helene, and Milton. CDBG-DR funding supports disaster relief, long-term recovery, restoration of infrastructure and housing, economic revitalization and mitigation in the most impacted and distressed areas, according to HUD. These funds are designated to primarily benefit low- and moderate-income households and communities.

To access these funds, Pinellas County must develop an Action Plan for HUD review and approval. The Action Plan is the County's blueprint for identifying and funding CDBG-DR recovery and mitigation programs based on existing unmet disaster recovery and mitigation needs. The County cannot execute its grant agreement with HUD and begin to expend CDBG-DR funds without a HUD-approved Action Plan.

As required by Federal Register Notice Vol. 90, No. 5, published Wednesday, January 8, 2025, Pinellas County will host public meetings to discuss the proposed Action Plan for CDBG-DR funds, on the dates, times and locations shown below:

South County – April 7th | 6:00 PM

Lealman Exchange
Ray Neri Room
5175 45th Street North
St. Petersburg, FL 33714

Mid County – April 10th | 6:00 PM

City of Dunedin – City Hall
Commission Chambers
737 Loudon Ave
Dunedin, FL 34698

North County – April 24th | 6:00 PM

Harbor Hall/White Chapel
1190 Georgia Avenue
Palm Harbor, FL 34683

Board of County Commissioners – May 6th | 9:30 AM

333 Chestnut Street, Palm Room
Clearwater, FL 33756

Virtual Public Hearing – May 13th | 11:00 AM

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Virtual Public Hearing – May 15th | 6:00 PM

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The purpose of the public meetings will be to provide general information about the proposed use of CDBG-DR funds within the County and to receive input from interested parties. The County plans to discuss (1) the amount of CDBG-DR funds available to the County, (2) eligible uses of CDBG-DR funds, and (3) other administrative details. The Action Plan draft may be viewed online, when available, at recover.pinellas.gov. Attendees and interested parties are encouraged to offer comments at the aforementioned public meetings and/or submit written comments to the county via email to cdplanning@pinellas.gov or mailed to the Pinellas County Community Development Division, 310 Court Street, Clearwater, FL 33756.

If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation to participate in a meeting, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. At least seven (7) days prior to the event, contact the Office of Human Rights, 400 S. Fort Harrison Ave., Suite 500, Clearwater, FL 33756, by email at accommodations@pinellas.gov or call (727) 464-4880 (Voice) or (727) 464-4062 (TDD). More information about the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), and reasonable accommodation, may be found at <https://pinellas.gov/americans-with-disabilities-act-public-accommodations/>.

