

PUBLIC NOTICE

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PUBLIC NOTICE OF PROPOSED CDBG DISASTER RECOVERY MITIGATION INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS FOR THE CITY OF LIVE OAK

The City of Live Oak anticipates applying for Community Development Block Grant – Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR) funding provided by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) to support long-term restoration, facility hardening and mitigation efforts following the 2023-2024 storms. This program is being administered by the Florida Commerce Department thru the Community Development Block Grant – Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR) Program. A total of nine hundred twenty-five million, three hundred ninety-four thousand dollars (\$925,394,000.00) has been allocated for the State of Florida for the 2023 and 2024 Storm Events. Four hundred million dollars (\$400,000,000.00) of that amount has been allocated, by Florida Commerce, to fund infrastructure restoration, hardening and mitigation projects in communities impacted by the 2023 and 2024 storms. The minimum allowable amount a community can request is seven hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$750,000.00). Applications are due to Florida Commerce on or before September 29, 2025. Eligible types of projects are those that demonstrate increased community resiliency. Examples of some of the types of projects encouraged by Florida Commerce are as follows:

- Restoration of critical infrastructure (such as water and sewer facilities, streets, removal of debris, drainage, bridges, etc.)
- Re-nourishment of protective coastal dune systems and state beaches
- Building or fortifying buildings that are essential to the health, safety and welfare of a community (this can include shelters, police stations, fire stations, parks and recreational centers, community and senior centers, hospitals, clinics, schools and educational facilities and other public properties)
- Rehabilitation or construction of stormwater management systems
- Improvements to drainage facilities
- Reconstruction of lift stations and sewage treatment plants
- Road repair and improvement and bridge strengthening
- Upgrading of communications, energy, transportation and health and medical resources and systems
- Development of mitigation standards, regulations, policies and programs • Dam safety programs, seawalls and levee systems;
- Acquisition of flood prone and environmentally-sensitive lands;
- Retrofitting/hardening/elevating structures and critical facilities
- Relocation of structures, infrastructure and facilities out of vulnerable areas;
- Permanent relocation of residential housing and businesses located in high-risk areas through voluntary buyback programs and rebuilding in low-risk areas
- Public awareness/education campaigns
- Improvement of warning and evacuation systems

Activities that are typically eligible for funding under the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program as well as specific additional activities as outlined in the State of Florida CDBG-DR Action Plan for the program are eligible projects if no other funding is available to meet the need.

The City of Live Oak anticipates submitting four (4) applications for a total of twenty-two million two hundred ninety-six thousand nine hundred dollars (22,296,900.) in funding. The project synopsis and budget for the four (4) applications being submitted are as follows:

**Application #1 – Relocation and Replacement of the Hillman Sanitary Sewer Lift Stations:** The project involves relocating and rebuilding the Hillman Sanitary Sewer Lift Station. Currently the lift station floods every time there is a significant rain event. The City of Live Oak Sanitary Sewer Collection System serves everyone living in the City of Live Oak, whose residents or businesses are connected to the City’s Sanitary Sewer Collection System. Based upon this city wide usage of the sanitary sewer collection system, the Sanitary Sewer Lift Station project proposed herein, would provide a city-wide benefit. The City of Live Oak recently carried out a door-to-door survey of the residents living in the City who would be positively impacted by the proposed project. The results of the door-to-door survey was that the residents of the City of Live Oak are 81.57% low and moderate income. Based upon the recently completed door to door survey this proposed sanitary sewer improvement project application is being submitted as providing a significant benefit to low-and-moderate income people.

The proposed budget for the work to be carried out to relocate the Hillman Sanitary Sewer Lift Station is as follows is as follows:

Structure Name	Project Address or Description	CDBG-MIT Funding	Matching Funds	Total Project Costs
Project Administration	N/A	\$ 308,500.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 308,500.00
Project Engineering Design, Permitting, Bidding and Award Services	N/A	\$ 600,000.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 600,000.00
Project Engineering Services During Construction	N/A	\$ 400,000.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 400,000.00

<b>Completion of the HUD Environmental Review</b>	N/A	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 20,000.00
<b>Davis Bacon and Section 3 Oversight During Construction</b>	N/A	\$ 150,000.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 150,000.00
<b>Sanitary Sewer Lift Station Improvements)</b>	Relocation of the Lift Station	\$5,000,000.00	\$ 0.00	\$5,000,000.00
<b>Totals</b>		<b>\$6,478,500.00</b>		<b>\$6,478,500.00</b>

**Application #2 – Installation of an Emergency Electrical Generator at the City Hall Annex Project:**  
The project involves the installation of an emergency electrical generator at the City Hall Annex. The Annex is used as an emergency operations center during and immediately after significant storm events. The City of Live Oak Annex serves everyone living in the City of Live Oak. Based upon this city wide usage of the project proposed herein, would provide a city-wide benefit. The City of Live Oak recently carried out a door-to-door survey of the residents living in the City who would be positively impacted by the proposed project. The results of the door-to-door survey was that the residents of the City of Live Oak are 81.57% low and moderate income. Based upon the recently completed door to door survey this proposed sanitary sewer improvement project application is being submitted as providing a significant benefit to low-and-moderate income people.

The proposed budget for installing the emergency electrical generator to harden the City Hall Annex is as follows:

Structure Name	Project Address or Description	CDBG-MIT Funding	Matching Funds	Total Project Costs
<b>Project Administration</b>	N/A	\$ 37,900.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 37,900.00
<b>Project Engineering Design, Permitting, Bidding and Award Services</b>	N/A	\$ 72,000.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 72,000.00
<b>Project Engineering Services During Construction</b>	N/A	\$ 48,000.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 48,000.00
<b>Completion of the HUD Environmental Review</b>	N/A	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 20,000.00
<b>Davis Bacon and Section 3 Oversight During Construction</b>	N/A	\$ 18,000.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 18,000.00
<b>Installation of the Emergency Electrical Generator</b>	Installation of the Emergency Electrical Generator	\$ 600,000.00	\$ 0.00	\$600,000.00
<b>Totals</b>		<b>\$ 795,900.00</b>		<b>\$795,900.00</b>

**Application #3 – Replacement of the Water, Sanitary Sewer and Natural Gas Lines along Helvenston Street between US 129 and Cross Street:** The proposed project involves the replacement of the water, sanitary sewer and natural gas lines within Helvenston Street between US 129 and Cross Street

The City of Live Oak Wastewater Treatment Plant serves everyone living in the City of Live Oak, whose residents or businesses are connected to the City’s Sanitary Sewer Collection System. Based upon this city wide usage of the sanitary sewer collection system, the project proposed herein, would provide a city-wide benefit. The City of Live Oak recently carried out a door-to-door survey of the residents living in the City who would be positively impacted by the proposed project. The results of the door-to-door survey was that the residents of the City of Live Oak are 81.57% low and moderate income. Based upon the recently completed door to door survey this proposed sanitary sewer improvement project application is being submitted as providing a significant benefit to low-and-moderate income people.

The proposed budget for the Helveston Street Line Replacement Project application is as follows:

Structure Name	Project Address or Description	CDBG-MIT Funding	Matching Funds	Total Project Costs
<b>Project Administration</b>	N/A	\$ 616,000.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 616,000.00
<b>Project Engineering Design, Permitting, Bidding and Award Services</b>	N/A	\$ 1,200,000.00	\$ 0.00	\$1,200,000.00
<b>Project Engineering Services During Construction</b>	N/A	\$ 800,000.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 800,000.00
<b>Completion of the HUD Environmental Review</b>	N/A	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 20,000.00
<b>Davis Bacon and Section 3 Oversight During Construction</b>	N/A	\$ 300,000.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 300,000.00
<b>Water, Sanitary sewer</b>	Utility Line	\$10,000,000.00	\$ 0.00	\$10,000,000.00

and Natural Gas Line Replacement	replacement			
Totals		\$12,936,000.00		\$12,936,000.00

**Application #4 – Stormwater Drainage Project:** The project involves the construction of two five (5) acre stormwater retention ponds in the Mt. Farley, Heritage Park & Gardens Pecan Grove Areas within the City of Live Oak.

The flooding in the Mt. Farley, Heritage Park & Gardens Pecan Grove Areas within the City of Live Oak effects everyone living in the City of Live Oak. Based upon this city wide usage of the flood and drainage system, the project proposed herein, would provide a city-wide benefit. The City of Live Oak recently carried out a door-to-door survey of the residents living in the City who would be positively impacted by the proposed project. The results of the door-to-door survey was that the residents of the City of Live Oak are 81.57% low and moderate income. Based upon the recently completed door to door survey this proposed sanitary sewer improvement project application is being submitted as providing a significant benefit to low-and-moderate income people.

The proposed budget for the construction of two five (5) acre stormwater retention ponds in the Mt. Farley, Heritage Park & Gardens Pecan Grove Areas application is as follows:

Structure Name	Project Address or Description	CDBG-MIT Funding	Matching Funds	Total Project Costs
Project Administration	N/A	\$ 99,400.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 99,400.00
Project Engineering Design, Permitting, Bidding and Award Services	N/A	\$ 192,000.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 192,000.00
Project Engineering Services During Construction	N/A	\$ 128,000.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 128,000.00
Completion of the HUD Environmental Review	N/A	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 20,000.00
Davis Bacon and Section 3 Oversight During Construction	N/A	\$ 48,000.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 48,000.00
Stormwater System Improvements	Construct two (2) Stormwater Retention Ponds	\$1,600,000.00	\$ 0.00	\$1,600,000.00

Any resident wishing to know more about the proposed project or submit any public comment on the proposed projects should contact Mr. Larry Sessions, City Manager, City of Live Oak at (386) 362-2276 or by email at [lsessions@cityofliveoak.org](mailto:lsessions@cityofliveoak.org). Comments from the public concerning these projects will be received from September 17, 2025, and must be received by the City no later than 5:00 p.m. on Friday, September 26, 2025. All comments will be considered, and proposed changes will be submitted to Florida Commerce. Information relating to the proposed project and application is available for review between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. at the 101 White Avenue SE, Live Oak, Florida 32064.

Any non-English speaking person wishing to attend the public hearing should contact Mr. Sessions at (386) 362-2276 or by e-mail at [lsessions@cityofliveoak.org](mailto:lsessions@cityofliveoak.org) at least five calendar days prior to the meeting and a language interpreter will be provided. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

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Live Oak, FL 32064

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