



Legislation Text

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Title:

Approve and authorize the Chairman to execute the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Cooperation Agreements with six municipalities in Seminole County to undertake or assist in community renewal and lower income housing assistance activities. Countywide (**Allison Thall, Community Services Director**)

Division:

Community Services - Community Development

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Background:

Seminole County receives Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program funding as a qualified urban county from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). This qualified urban county designation allows the County to be eligible for annual allocations of formula grant entitlement funds, including Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME), and Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) funds. HUD requires the County to renew the Urban County Partnership Program every three (3) years, with an automatic three (3) year renewal Cooperation Agreement. The Cooperation Agreement allows the County to use the participating city's population in the calculation for eligibility for these HUD entitlement funds and allows the County to carry out activities using these funds in their respective jurisdictions.

The County agrees to facilitate, encourage, and allow City officials and the citizens of the City to have a full and open opportunity to submit projects to the County for funding consideration for eligible CDBG activities. The City of Sanford has received its allocation from HUD for CDBG funds since 2010 and is not included in the County's program. The current funding program ends on June 30, 2024. The new agreements attached will be in force under the new three-year qualification period followed by

another subsequent three-year period arising through the automatic renewal of the agreements until June 30, 2030.

Requested Action:

Staff requests the Board approve and authorize the Chairman to execute the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Cooperation Agreements with six municipalities in Seminole County to undertake or assist in community renewal and lower income housing assistance activities.