

City of Tallahassee Department of Housing and Community Resilience

# **Executive Summary**

HUD Five Year Consolidated Plan FY2025-2029



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## Summary

The City of Tallahassee receives federal and state housing funds each year to support affordable housing, public services, and neighborhood improvements. These include Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), HOME Investment Partnerships Program, and Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) funds from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), as well as State Housing Initiatives Partnership (SHIP) funds from the Florida Housing Finance Corporation.

These resources are combined with local funding and other grants to expand homeownership, improve housing conditions, upgrade public facilities, and support critical community services.



To guide this work, the city prepares a 5-year Consolidated Plan that outlines long-term goals and priorities. Each year, the plan is updated with an Annual Action Plan that details how funds will be used. Both plans are submitted to HUD annually by August 16.

## Purpose

The 5-year Consolidated Plan is the City's roadmap for using federal funds to improve housing, neighborhoods, and services for low- and moderate-income residents.

Informed Decisions

Strategic Focus It uses data to guide where and how funds are invested.

It aligns funding with the community's greatest needs and goals.

Stronger Partnerships It brings together city agencies, nonprofits, and other partners to work toward shared priorities.



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# Key Components of the Consolidated Plan

The City's Consolidated Plan includes several parts that work together to guide how federal housing and community development funds are used:

ReedsIdentifies local challenges like affordableAssessmenthousing, poverty, and homelessness.



Reviews housing conditions, costs, and availability to understand the local housing landscape.



Sets long-term goals and priorities to address community needs, including fair housing, homelessness, and barriers to affordable housing.



Updated each year, it outlines specific projects and serves as the City's application for federal funds.



The Neighborhood Revitalization Strategy Area targets specific neighborhoods for focused investment using CDBG funds to improve housing, services, and economic development.



Ensures residents with limited English proficiency can access services and information.



Analyzes local policies and conditions to identify and eliminate barriers to fair housing.



Protects residents displaced by city projects by offering support and financial assistance, as required by federal law.



Includes community input through meetings, public hearings, and stakeholder outreach.



Tracks yearly progress through a report to HUD called the CAPER, submitted each December and SHIP AR submitted in September.



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# **Funding Summary**

Each year, the City of Tallahassee receives federal funding from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) through formulabased grants. These formulas consider factors such as population size, poverty rates, housing conditions, and overcrowding to determine the City's allocation. Annual funding amounts are estimates until HUD releases final award notices. These estimates do not include program income or unspent funds from prior years.

## **Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)** FY25 Allocation: \$1,880,342

CDBG is a federal program that helps cities like Tallahassee improve neighborhoods and support residents with low and moderate incomes. Funded by HUD, CDBG dollars are used for things like affordable housing, public services, infrastructure improvements, and programs that reduce poverty.

In 2024, the City Commission approved the use of CDBG funds to support the Tallahassee Housing Authority's Springfield Forward Master Plan.





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## **HOME Investment Partnerships Program**

#### FY25 Allocation: \$914,338.44

HOME is a federal program that provides funding to help create and preserve affordable housing for low-income individuals and families. The City uses HOME funds to support activities like building, buying, or rehabilitating affordable homes and providing rental assistance.

In 2022, the City and County partnered with the Tallahassee Lenders' Consortium to establish the area's first Community Land Trust. As an existing Community Housing Development Organization (CHDO), the nonprofit was well positioned to lead the construction and sale of single-family homes on donated land. HOME funds supported the construction and homebuyer assistance for the first eight units.



### **Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG)**

#### FY25 Allocation: \$164,348

ESG is a federal program that helps people who are homeless or at risk of losing their housing. It funds services like emergency shelters, street outreach, and rapid re-housing to prevent homelessness and help individuals and families find and keep stable housing.

In 2025, the City provided staffing and technical support to the Big Bend Continuum of Care's annual Point-in-Time Count, a federally required survey of both sheltered and unsheltered individuals experiencing homelessness. The City also supports the BBCoC through ESG funding for the Homeless Management Information System (HMIS).



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## State Housing Initiatives Partnership (SHIP) FY25 Allocation: \$1,500,000

SHIP is a Florida-funded program that helps local governments support affordable housing. It provides funding to build and preserve homes for very low-, low-, and moderate-income families. SHIP encourages partnerships to create both homeownership and rental housing opportunities.



In 2025, the Housing Division used SHIP funds to demolish and rebuild a home on Woodgate Way that was destroyed by fire, helping the resident return to safe and stable housing.

# **Goals, Objectives, and Activities**

Based on the needs analysis, current market trends, and alignment with the City's 2029 Strategic Plan, the City has identified goals, objectives, and activities to be funded through the programs listed above. This includes grant administration, staffing, training, and fair housing efforts.

PRIORITY NEED	ACTIVITY/PROGRAM	GOAL
Affordable Housing	Homeowner & Rental Rehabilitation Permanent Relocation	Housing Rehabilitation Public Service Assistance
	Down Payment Assistance & Affordable Housing Development	Affordable Housing Development
Public Services	Public Services/CHSP	Public Service Assistance
Public Services	Housing Counseling	Self Sufficiency
Homelessness Prevention	Homelessness Prevention	Homelessness Prevention
Public Facilities/ Infrastructure	Public Facilities Improvements	Neighborhood Revitalization



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## Low/Moderate Income Population by Block Group and Census Tract



The City of Tallahassee administers its federally funded housing, public service, and community development programs on a citywide basis, with targeted investment in areas of greatest need. Geographic priorities are guided by HUD-defined low-and moderate-income (LMI) census tracts and block groups, which reflect concentrations of income-eligible households and historically underserved populations.

## **Conclus**ion and Next Steps

The 2025–2029 Consolidated Plan reflects a data-driven, communityinformed strategy to guide federal investments in housing and community development. Built through consultation, public input, and analysis of local needs and market trends, the plan outlines clear priorities and goals to improve quality of life for low- and moderate-income residents. The plan is scheduled for City Commission adoption on June 11, 2025, and will be submitted to HUD by August 15, 2025. Upon approval, the City will issue future calls for projects and continue working with partners to implement programs that support the plan's long-term vision.



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