



## MEMORANDUM

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**TO:** Affordable Housing Committee  
**FROM:** Victoria Smalls, Affordable Housing Director  
**CC:** Heather Colin, AICP, Assistant Town Manager  
**SUBJECT:** FY 2027 Proposed Budget  
**DATE:** April 2, 2026

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### **BACKGROUND**

The Neighborhood Assistance Program was created to assist low-to-moderate income residents of Bluffton with property repairs and improvements that will help to increase the quality of life for all residents while creating a safer, more vibrant community that retains its character and provides affordable quality housing.

For FY26, the total program budget was approved at \$450,000. To date, 39 households have been assisted and a total of \$334,985 has been spent. Staff is recommending the proposed 2027 budget as listed below.

\$400,000 for home repairs  
\$10,000 for abatement/demolition of unsafe structures  
\$10,000 for property clean-up  
\$10,000 for septic pump-out  
\$3,000 for private road repair  
\$2,000 for E-911 addressing  
\$15,000 for tree mitigation

### **RECOMMENDATION**

Town Staff requests that the Affordable Housing Committee provide a recommendation to Town Council for the Neighborhood Assistance Program FY 2027 budget.

The Affordable Housing Committee has the authority to take the following actions:

- Recommend approval of the budget as presented; or
- Recommend approval of the budget with modifications.

Attachments:

1. AHC Workplan Draft