

City of Bonifay
CDBG First Public Hearing Notice

The City of Bonifay (City) is considering applying to the Florida Department of Commerce for a FFY 2025 Small Cities Community Development Block Grant (CDBG). The City is eligible to apply for up to \$700,000.00 in the Neighborhood Revitalization, Commercial Revitalization, Housing Rehabilitation categories, and up to \$1.5 million in the Economic Development category. Construction activities funded through the CDBG Program must meet one of the following National Objectives:

- Benefit to low- and moderate- income (LMI) persons;
- Prevent or eliminate slum or blight conditions; or
- Meet a need of recent origin having a particular urgency.

The types of activities for which CDBG funds may be used include constructing stormwater ponds, paving roads and sidewalks, installing sewer and water lines, building a community center or park, making improvements to a sewage treatment plant, and rehabilitating low-income homes. Additional information regarding the range of activities that could be funded will be provided at the public hearing.

In developing a CDBG application, City of Bonifay must plan to minimize displacement of persons as a result of the activities. In addition, the City of Bonifay is required to develop a plan to assist displaced persons.

A public hearing to obtain citizen comments concerning the city's economic and community development needs will be held at the Bonifay Commission Meeting Room, 301 J. Harvey Etheridge Street, Bonifay, FL, 32425 on **Wednesday April 15, 2026, at 4:30 PM CST** or soon thereafter. For information concerning the public hearing, contact Sierra Smith, Grants Coordinator, at (850) 547-4238 or by e-mail at sierra.smith@cityofbonifay.com.

The public hearing is being conducted in a handicapped accessible location. Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in the hearing is asked to advise the city at least five days before the hearing by contacting Sierra Smith, Grants Coordinator, at (850) 547-4238 or by e-mail at sierra.smith@cityofbonifay.com. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the city using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800) 955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800) 955-8770 (Voice).

Any non-English speaking person wishing to attend the public hearing should contact the office of the Grants Coordinator, at (850) 547-4238 or by e-mail at sierra.smith@cityofbonifay.com, at least five (5) days prior to the hearing and an interpreter will be provided.

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