



Agenda Abstract

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Meeting Date: June 23, 2025
Department: Community Services
Agenda Section: Consent
Public hearing: No
Date of public hearing: N/A

PRESENTER/INFORMATION CONTACT

Matt Efird, Assistant Town Manager

ITEM TO BE CONSIDERED

Subject: Fiscal Year 2025-26 HOME Annual Action Plan and Program Design for Orange County, North Carolina and the 2025-2029 Orange County Consolidated Plan

Attachments:

1. Resolutions
2. Orange County Consolidated Plan Summary
3. 2025-2029 Orange County Consolidated Plan
4. FY 2025-2026 HOME Annual Action Plan

Summary:

Every year, state and local governments ("Participating Jurisdictions") that receive HOME Investment Partnerships Program ("HOME") funds from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development ("HUD") are required to complete an Annual Action Plan that lays out how they will allocate HUD funds for the upcoming program year in order to address the goals and priorities in the Consolidated Plan. The draft Annual Action Plan for Fiscal Year 2025-2026 as approved by the Local Government Affordable Housing Collaborative is attached.

Orange County is a special type of Participating Jurisdiction, called a Consortium, consisting of Orange County and the towns of Carrboro, Chapel Hill, and Hillsborough. Orange County serves as the lead entity for the Orange County HOME Consortium. The Consortium completed the Annual Action Plan based on the HOME award recommendations made by the Local Government Affordable Housing Collaborative.

The recommended funding allocation for Fiscal Year 2026 HOME Funds is as follows:

PROGRAM	AMOUNT
TENANT-BASED RENTAL ASSISTANCE	\$147,628
HOME REPAIR AND REHABILITATION	\$147,628
CHDO SET-ASIDE	\$56,395.70
ADMINISTRATION (10%)	\$37,593.97
TOTAL	\$389,245.67

In addition to the annual action plan, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) requires a five-year consolidated plan for housing and community development programs in Orange County as a HOME

funding recipient. As a member agency, the Town of Hillsborough must approve the draft consolidated plan before submission to HUD. The attached summary document prepared by Orange County includes elements of the needs assessment, market analysis and strategic priorities for Orange County. The identified priorities include:

- Housing for People Experiencing Homelessness
- Housing for Low- and Moderate-Income Households
- Integrated Housing for People with Service Needs
- Community Development and Services (CDBG Only)

The activities to be performed to address the priorities include rental construction, rental assistance, home repair and preservation, home construction and homebuyer assistance.

These actions are consistent with Fiscal Year 2024-26 Strategic Plan: Economic Vitality Objective 5 (Develop policies and invest in projects that contribute to meeting identified affordable housing needs in town), and Comprehensive Sustainability Plan: Housing & Affordability recommended actions.

Financial impacts:

The town participates by providing a local match for the HOME funds, which is budgeted in the adopted Fiscal Year 2026 budget in the amount of \$6,281.

Staff recommendation and comments:

Staff recommends authorization for the town manager and staff to complete the HOME funding approval process and provide approval for the Orange County Consolidated Plan.

Action requested:

Staff requests adoption of the attached resolutions.