

FIRST PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

AVISO DE PRIMERA AUDIENCIA PÚBLICA ESTÁ DISPONIBLE EN ESPAÑOL EN EL SITIO WEB DE LA CIUDAD DE GREEN COVE SPRINGS. (<https://www.greencovesprings.com>)

The City of Green Cove Springs, Florida is considering applying to the Florida Commerce Department for a FFY 2023/2024 Small Cities Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) combined funding cycle. The City is eligible to apply for up to Five Million Dollars (\$5,000,000.00) in the neighborhood revitalization, commercial revitalization, housing rehabilitation, and economic development categories. Construction activities funded through the CDBG program must meet one of the following National Objectives:

1. To benefit low and moderate income persons;
2. To aid in the prevention or elimination of slums or blight; or
3. To meet other community development needs of recent origin having a particular urgency because existing conditions pose a serious and immediate threat to the health or welfare of the community and where other financial resources are not available to meet such needs.

The categories of activities for which these funds may be used are in the areas of housing, neighborhood revitalization, commercial revitalization or economic development and include improvement activities such as acquisition of real property, loans to private-for-profit businesses, purchase of machinery and equipment, construction of infrastructure, rehabilitation of houses and commercial buildings and energy conservation. Additional information regarding the range of activities that may be undertaken will be provided at the public hearing. For each activity that is proposed, at least 70% of the funds must benefit low-and-moderate-income persons.

In developing an application for submission to the Florida Commerce Department, the City of Green Cove Springs must plan to minimize displacement of persons as a result of planned CDBG activities. In addition, the City of Green Cove Springs is required to develop a plan to assist displaced persons.

A public hearing to receive citizen views concerning the community's economic and community development needs will be held at the City of Green Cove Springs's City Council Chamber, located at 321 Walnut Street, Green Cove Springs Florida 32043 on Tuesday, April 1, 2025 at 6:00 p.m., or as soon thereafter as possible. For information concerning the public hearing contact Ms. Erin West, City Clerk, City of Green Cove Springs, at 321 Walnut Street, Green Cove Springs, Florida 33043, by telephone at (904) 297-7047 or by e-mail at ewest@greencovesprings.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 this workshop is asked to advise the agency at least 48 hours-before the workshop by contacting: Erin West, City Clerk, City of Green Cove Springs at (904) 297-7047 or by e-mail at ewest@greencovesprings.com.

Any non-English speaking person wishing to attend the public hearing should contact Ms. West at (904) 297-7047 or by e-mail at ewest@greencovesprings.com at least five calendar days prior to the meeting and a language interpreter will be provided. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

The City of Green Cove Springs is a Fair Housing/Equal Opportunity/Handicap Accessible Jurisdiction.
