

**NOTICE OF FUNDING AVAILABILITY AND SOLICITATION OF APPLICATIONS FOR SEMINOLE COUNTY HOME-ARP PROGRAM**

On March 11, 2021, \$1.9 trillion dollars was allocated in relief efforts for the COVID-19 pandemic. Congress allocated \$5 billion towards the HOME-American Rescue Plan (HOME-ARP) program to help reduce homelessness and increase housing stability for qualifying populations to be administered by the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). Seminole County received \$3,046,438 in HOME-ARP funding that was approved by the Board of County Commissioners on March 14, 2023, and submitted and approved by HUD.

Seminole County plans to designate funding for the HOME-ARP Program in the following manner:

<b>Funding Available</b>	<b>Eligible Activities</b>
\$152,321	Non-Profit Capacity Building/Operating Costs
\$300,000	Supportive Services
\$2,137,151	Development of Affordable Rental Housing
\$456,966	*Administration and Planning

**\*Will be used for the County's Administration and Planning costs.**

Projects may be implemented by the County, or the County may contract with non-profit agencies or for-profit organizations, to undertake activities to meet identified community development and housing needs. Applicants requesting funding under the HOME Investment Partnership - American Rescue Plan (HOME-ARP) program must submit a hand delivered application to the below address for the Community Services Department by **Thursday, May 16, 2024 at 4pm.** All applications **must** be date stamped by the official time clock located in our lobby.

Seminole County Community Services Department  
520 W. Lake Mary Boulevard, Suite 100  
Sanford, Florida 32773

The link to the application will be available on the Community Services Department website <https://www.seminolecountyfl.gov/departments-services/community-services/> beginning Monday, April 1, 2024. All applications will be due to Seminole County Community Services Department no later than **Thursday, May 16, 2024 at 4:00 p.m.** **Faxed or email applications will not be accepted, and late application will not be scored.**

Two technical assistance workshops have been scheduled to provide interested applicants the opportunity to ask questions regarding this funding notice. The first virtual workshop is scheduled for **Monday, April 8, 2024, at 2 p.m.** The second virtual workshop will be held on **Thursday, April 18, 2024 at 9 a.m.** Meeting login instructions will be available at [www.seminolecountyfl.gov/departments-services/community-services/](https://www.seminolecountyfl.gov/departments-services/community-services/). To be considered for the HOME-ARP funding, all interested applicants **must have a representative present for at least one of the workshops.**

If you have questions or need additional information on the HOME-ARP program, please contact Stacy Smithwick at 407-665-2362 or [ssmithwick@seminolecountyfl.gov](mailto:ssmithwick@seminolecountyfl.gov).

**PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES NEEDING ASSISTANCE SHOULD CONTACT THE HUMAN RESOURCES DEPARTMENT ADA COORDINATOR 48 HOURS IN ADVANCE OF THE CLOSE OF THE PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD AT (407) 665-7941. FOR HEARING IMPAIRED INDIVIDUALS, THE FLORIDA RELAY NUMBER IS 1-800-955-8771.**