

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to notify Seminole County citizens that:

1. Seminole County received grant funding under the federal Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program.
2. The CDBG Program regulations contain specific clauses prohibiting certain actual and/or perceived Conflicts of Interest (COI).
3. COIs are prohibited with regard to County employees/agents, consultants, officers or elected officials or appointed officials of the recipients, without an exception from the U.S. Department of Housing & Urban Development (HUD).
4. The above-cited regulations of this Program allows for the granting of exceptions, where:
 - a. The Seminole County Attorney's Office issues an opinion that there is no COI, with regard to State and local law;
 - b. The Seminole County Attorney's Office has determined that no State law has been violated because the case does not involve the acceptance of gifts from outside vendors in which the applicant has a financial stake;
 - c. Any potential COI and any finding that there is no COI, is publicly disclosed prior to providing such assistance.
5. Seminole County anticipates providing assistance to an employee of Seminole County in an estimated amount not to exceed \$15,000 in CDBG funds to address the immediate need for HVAC services in their single-family residence.
6. Seminole County Attorney's Office, which issued a legal opinion, that:
 - a. The applicant's participation in the Program presents no conflict with state or local law
 - b. The applicant is not involved in evaluating requests for assistance.
 - c. The applicant is not given preferential treatment with respect to her application.
7. Seminole County is obligated to publish this notice for a period of twenty- one (21) days on the Seminole County Community Services Department's web site.
8. Any comments or input may be submitted to:

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