

**MOBILE COUNTY COMMISSION
NOTICE OF PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD
DRAFT PY2026 YEAR TWO ACTION PLAN**

In accordance with 24 CFR Part 91, as the lead agency of the Mobile County Urban County (MCUC), Mobile County is publishing a summary of its proposed 2026 Action Plan Use of Funds (July 1, 2026 – June 30, 2027) for citizen comment. Mobile County invites the public to review and offer comments on its draft 2026 Year Two Action Plan. The summary is published in order to afford citizens an opportunity to review the contents and to submit comments. The 30-day public comment period begins April 8th and ends at 4:00 pm on Friday, May 8th, 2026. The final 2026 Action Plan will be finalized after taking into consideration citizen comments received during the comment period.

The PY2026 Year Two Action Plan serves as the basis for applying for annual funding from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) to receive funds through HUD's Community Planning and Development (CPD) formula. Funds available to the Mobile County Urban County are the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), the HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME), and the Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG). The 2026 Year Two Action Plan outlines proposed activities to be undertaken with CDBG and HOME funds, as MCUC does not expect to receive ESG funds during 2025.

At the time of publication for public comment, entitlement allocations have not been published by HUD. Contingency provisions are included in this draft Year Two Action Plan for Citizen Participation as required by HUD Notice: CPD-22-05. The CPD Notice requires that Grantees include contingency provisions to explain how adjustments will be made to its proposed action plan to match its actual allocation amounts, once actual amounts become known. Since estimated funding amounts are used for budgeting purposes in this draft plan for public participation/comment, contingency provisions are located below the program budgets.

Based on 2025 allocations, the County estimates the following allocation for PY2026: \$1,608,060 in CDBG funds, \$574,405.14 in HOME funds, and \$0 in ESG funds. Additionally, the County has HOME Program income of \$126,912.36. Total available for CDBG budget of \$1,608,060, HOME budget of \$701,317.50, and ESG budget of \$0 are included in the 2026 budget.

PY2026 Community Development Block Grant Budget

Capital Projects \$1,064,949

1. Spot Blight Removal – City of Prichard \$125,000
2. Homeowner Home Emergency Repair Assistance Program – Countywide \$150,000
3. Grand Bay Senior Center Historic Park \$200,000
4. Wilmer Senior Center \$238,949
5. Home Repair Program - MOWA Choctaw Tribe \$50,000
6. Water & Sewer System Repars – City of Saraland \$50,000
7. Spot Blight Removal – City of Chickasaw \$75,000
8. Boys & Girls Club of South Alabama Mt. Vernon Club \$176,000

Public Services \$221,500

9. Via Health Volunteer Guardian Program \$10,000
10. Child Advocacy Center Counseling Services \$35,000
11. City of Semmes Senior Center Programming \$50,000
12. Consumer Credit Counseling Services Homebuyer Preparation \$2,500
13. Legal Services Alabama Legal Assistance \$64,000
14. Ozanam Charitable Pharmacy Medication Assistance \$35,000
15. Rape Crisis Center Services \$5,000
16. South Alabama Regional Planning Commission Meal Delivery \$20,000

Planning and Administration \$321,611

17. CDBG Program Administration \$321,611

Total CDBG Budget \$1,608,060

CDBG Contingency provisions: Administration will remain equal to 20 percent of the actual allocation. Public services will not exceed 15 percent of the actual allocation. In case of decrease in allocation that causes the budgeted Public Service to exceed the 15% of the actual allocation, funds will be reduced to the Ozanam Charitable Pharmacy Medication Assistance program by an amount that keeps Public Services at 15% of the actual allocation. All remaining reduction will be made to the Wilmer Senior Center Project. In case of an increase in actual allocation, the excess will be budgeted to the Wilmer Senior Center Project.

PY2026 HOME Budget

1. Down Payment Assistance – First Time Homebuyers

\$100,000

2. CHDO Housing Development Operating Funds/Acquisition/Development/Construction

\$533,158.94

3. HOME Program Administration –EN and PI

\$68,158.56

Total HOME Budget \$701,317.50

HOME Contingency provisions: Administration will be adjusted in order to remain equal to 10% of the actual allocation. CHDO allocation will be adjusted in order to remain at the required 15% CHDO Set-aside. Any remaining balance of increase or decrease in the allocation will be added or decreased from the CHDO Housing Development Operating Funds/Acquisition/Development/Construction activity.

The draft 2026 Year Action Plan is available for public inspection from Friday April 3, 2026 on the County website at: <https://www.mobilecountyal.gov/grants/plans-policies-amendments/>. In an attempt to foster additional outreach efforts, Mobile County will also request that public libraries and city/town halls within the County share this information via their websites.

Comments or suggestions concerning the plan may be submitted in writing during the 30-day public comment period beginning April 8th, 2026 and ending 4 pm on Friday, May 8th, 2026. After consideration of comments received, the County will consider to adopt and submit the Action Plan to HUD. Comments may be sent to Gordon Bauer at Gordon.Bauer@mobilecountyal.gov or mailed to Gordon Bauer, Mobile County Commission, P.O.Box 1443, Mobile AL 36633.

Spanish translation and/or clarification will be provided upon request, please email Gordon.Bauer@mobilecountyal.gov or call 251-574-8099. La traduccion y/o la clarificacion Espanola seran dados si hay solicitud. Email por favor Gordon Bauer at Gordon.Bauer@mobilecountyal.gov o llamar 251-574-8099.

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