

**NOTICE OF FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT AND
NOTICE OF INTENT TO REQUEST RELEASE OF FUNDS**

02-26-2026

Department of Local Government

100 Airport Road, 3rd Floor,

Frankfort, KY 40601

502-892-3469

This notice shall satisfy two-separate but related procedural requirements for activities to be undertaken by the Department of Local Government.

REQUEST FOR RELEASE OF FUNDS

On or about March 16, 2026 the Department of Local Government will authorize Thrive Community Coalition to submit a request to HUD for the release of Community Development Block Grant – Recovery Housing Program (CDBG-RHP) funds under Section 8071 of the Support for Patients and Communities (SUPPORT) Act, to undertake a project known as Thrive CDBG-RHP Transitional Housing Project for the purpose of leveraging \$850,000 in CDBG-RHP funds to acquire the approximately 253-acre property located at 1616 Rockcastle Road, Inez, Kentucky 41224 (37.884028, -82.552500). Project activities aim to rehabilitate the existing single-family residence and develop up to 2 additional homes to provide safe, affordable housing for up to 14 individuals in Substance Use Disorder (SUD) recovery. Project activities will include the acquisition of property, rehabilitation, planning and design, infrastructure development, residential housing construction, and grant administration.

RHP and Total costs-\$850,000

FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT

The Department of Local Government has determined that the project will have no significant impact on the human environment. Therefore, an Environmental Impact Statement under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA) is not required. Additional project information is contained in the Environmental Review Record (ERR) file at 100 Airport Road, 3rd Floor, Frankfort, KY 40601 Attention: Jennifer Peters and 502-892-3469 or jennifer.peters@ky.gov, and may be examined or copied on weekdays 9 A.M to 4 P.M.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Any individual, group, or agency may submit written comments on the ERR to the Department of Local Government at 100 Airport Road, 3rd Floor, Frankfort, KY 40601 Attention: Jennifer Peters and jennifer.peters@ky.gov. All comments received by *March 16, 2026*, will be considered by The Department of Local Government prior to authorizing submission of a request for release of funds. Comments should specify which Notice they are addressing.

ENVIRONMENTAL CERTIFICATION

The Department of Local Government certifies to HUD that Matt Sawyers in his capacity as Commissioner consents to accept the jurisdiction of the Federal Courts if an action is brought to enforce responsibilities in relation to the environmental review process and that these responsibilities have been satisfied. HUD's approval of the certification satisfies its responsibilities under NEPA and related laws and authorities and allows the Thrive Community Coalition to use Program funds.

OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS

HUD will accept objections to its release of funds and the Department of Local Government's certification until a period of fifteen days following the anticipated submission date (March 31, 2026) or its actual receipt of the request (whichever is later) only if they are on one of the following bases: (a) the certification was not executed by the Certifying Officer of the Department of Local Government; (b) the Department of Local Government has omitted a step or failed to make a decision or finding required by HUD regulations at 24 CFR part 58; (c) the grant recipient or other participants in the development process have committed funds, incurred costs or undertaken activities not authorized by 24 CFR Part 58 before approval of a release of funds by HUD; or (d) another Federal agency acting pursuant to 40 CFR Part 1504 has submitted a written finding that the project is unsatisfactory from the standpoint of environmental quality. Objections must be prepared and submitted in accordance with the required procedures (24 CFR Part 58, Sec. 58.76) and shall be addressed to HUD at LouisvilleRROF@hud.gov. Potential objectors should contact HUD to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

Matt Sawyers, Commissioner

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