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

September 5, 2025

Lake County, Ohio

105 Main Street, Painesville, OH 44077

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These notices shall satisfy two separate but related procedural requirements for activities to be undertaken by Lake County, Ohio.

REQUEST FOR RELEASE OF FUNDS

On or about September 23, 2025 Lake County, Ohio will submit a request to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for the release of Community Development Block Grant funds under Title 1 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended, (PL93-383) to undertake projects known as:

- 1. Forbes House (Shelter Improvements): CDBG funds in the amount of \$53,200 will be used for a shelter roof replacement and the remediation of a storm water draining issue.
- 2. Lake County Buildings & Grounds (ADA Sidewalk Replacements at JFS Building East Side and Courthouse North Side): CDBG funds in the amount of \$70,000 will be used for targeted replacement of aging and damaged sidewalk.
- 3. Lake County Buildings & Grounds (Caley Home): CDBG funds in the amount of \$35,000 will be used for the installation of a generator.
- 4. *Lake Geauga Habitat for Humanity (Land Acquisition)*: CDBG funds in the amount of \$15,000 will be used to acquire 1 parcel for the development of affordable homes.
- 5. Painesville City (Amphitheater New Construction): CDBG funds in the amount of \$165,000 will be used for funding the construction of an outdoor amphitheater on a vacant piece of land in the recreation park.
- 6. Perry Township (Historical Society ADA Ramp): CDBG funds in the amount of \$97,100 will be used to alter the ramp on the front of the building to increase accessibility.
- 7. The Salvation Army Painesville Corps (Roof Replacement): CDBG funds in the amount of \$293,500 will be used to replace sections of the roof at the Salvation Army Community Center.
- 8. *United Way of Lake County (Sidewalk Replacement)*: CDBG funds in the amount of \$52,600 will be used for replacing the existing sidewalk at the front entrance of the UWLC Facility.
- 9. Western Reserve Community Development Corporation (Housing Rehabilitation Program): CDBG funds in the amount of \$225,067 will be used for assisting approximately 25 income qualified households with home repairs county-wide.
- 10. Willoughby City (Electronic Sign Board): CDBG funds in the amount of \$40,000 will be used to replace the sign at Osborne Park.
- 11. Willowick City (Fire Station Improvements): CDBG funds in the amount of \$65,000 will be used to modify the existing bathroom and adjoining space to alter the layout for an ADA accessible bathroom and women's locker room.

FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT

Lake County, Ohio 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) on file at the Lake County Planning and Community Development office at 105 Main Street, Painesville, Ohio 44077 and may be examined or copied weekdays 8:00 A.M to 4:30 P.M. and are available by email request to David.Radachy@lakecountyohio.gov.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Any individual, group, or agency may submit written comments on the ERR to the Lake County Planning and Community Development Office, using the mailing address or email address in the above section. All comments received by September 22, 2025 will be considered by Lake County, Ohio prior to authorizing submission of a request for release of funds. Comments should specify which Notice they are addressing.

ENVIRONMENTAL CERTIFICATION

Lake County, Ohio certifies to HUD that David Radachy in his capacity as Lake County Planning and Community Development Director, Certifying Officer, 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 Lake County, Ohio to use Program funds.

OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS

HUD will accept objections to its release of fund and Lake County, Ohio's certification for a period of fifteen days following the anticipated submission date 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 Lake County, Ohio; (b) the RE Lake County, Ohio 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 emailed to HUD at CPDColumbusRROF@hud.gov. Potential objectors should contact HUD to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

David Radachy, Lake County Planning and Community Development Director, Certifying Officer

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