

## PUBLIC NOTICE

## **Building Community.**

In the aftermath of the 2023 and 2024 storms, the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) provided funding for the Community Development Block Grant - Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR) to the State of Florida to address unmet disaster recovery needs related to damage from Hurricanes Idalia, Debby, Helene, and Milton, and the 2024 North Florida Tornadoes. Florida allocated \$400 million to fund infrastructure restoration and improvement projects in communities impacted by these storms. The Florida Department of Commerce (FloridaCommerce) is the governor-designated state authority responsible for administering these funds. Funds can be used in a wide range of activities related to disaster relief and mitigation of risk associated with such activities.

On September 5, 2025 the Court appointed JEA as the receiver of Normandy Village Utility (NVU) water and sewer systems. During this receivership, JEA will control, operate, and maintain the NVU system but will not have final ownership of the utility or its infrastructure.

JEA's preliminary inspections of NVU systems revealed major deficiencies requiring urgent action to protect health, safety, and compliance. To support the transition, JEA proposes requesting grant funding from FloridaCommerce for:

**Water Treatment Plant** – JEA will repair the NVU Water Treatment Plant and replace failing water distribution infrastructure that is inadequate and beyond its useful life. This project will improve reliability, protect public health and safety, ensure fire flow, and strengthen system resilience during storms. The estimated cost of this system-wide rehabilitation effort is approximately \$32 million, and JEA will be requesting 100% funding through the CDBG-DR/Rebuild Florida grant program.

**Wastewater Treatment Plant Project** – JEA will modernize NVU's failing, undersized wastewater system which will include repairing and slip-lining sewer mains, restoring manholes, upgrading four lift stations, building a master lift station to send flows to JEA's Southwest Facility, and decommissioning NVU's inadequate plant. This project will protect health, safeguard the environment, ensure compliance, and improve storm resilience. The estimated cost of this complete wastewater system rehabilitation is approximately \$33 million, and JEA will be requesting 100% funding through the CDBG-DR/Rebuild Florida grant program.

A 10-day public comment period is being held in accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act to ensure accessibility for all. Applications will be submitted to FloridaCommerce and made available for review after September 29, 2025. **Comments must be submitted no later than midnight September 24, 2025** via email to projectoutreach@jea.com, by phone to (904) 665-7500, or by mail to JEA, Attention: Project Outreach-CDBG-DR Public Comments, 225 N Pearl Street, Jacksonville, Florida 32202.

Learn more at jea.com/nvu.

JEA does not anticipate that anyone will be displaced because of the CDBG-DR funded activities proposed above. If persons are displaced as a result of the planned activities, JEA will assist them as described in the City of Jacksonville (COJ) Residential Anti-Displacement and Relocation Assistance Plan (RARAP) for CDBG-DR Programs (jacksonville.gov).

JEA is an equal opportunity/equal access employer and considers all applications for employment without regard to race, color, sex, gender identity, sexual orientation, marital status, national origin, disability/handicap, Veteran status or any other protected group status under Federal, State, and local law. JEA provides reasonable accommodation to qualified individuals with disabilities, in accordance with applicable law.

For information related to Fair Housing, please visit:

Department | Neighborhoods | Housing and Community Development webpage at jacksonville.gov.

Any person who is hearing, speech impaired, or who needs other accommodations under the ADA to participate in this public notification is asked to reach out to Project Outreach at (904) 665-7500 or projectoutreach@jea.com. If any non-English speaking person wishes to receive information on this public notice, they may also contact Project Outreach and interpretation will be provided.

## **Complaints or Concerns**

Complaints or any suspected fraud, waste, and abuse related to CDBG-DR-funded activities may be submitted via email to projectoutreach@jea.com or via mail to JEA, Attention: CDBG-DR Public Comments, 225 N Pearl Street, Jacksonville, Florida 32202. Written complaints from the public will receive a meaningful review and a written reply within fifteen (15) working days from receipt of the complaint.