

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

October 3, 2025

Polk County
410 East Church Street
Livingston, TX, 77351
Ph: 936-327-6813

These notices shall satisfy two separate but related procedural requirements for activities to be undertaken by Polk County (County).

REQUEST FOR RELEASE OF FUNDS

On or about October 21, 2025, Polk County (County) will submit a request to the Texas General Land Office (TGLO) for the release of Community Development Block Grant funds under Community Development Block Grant Mitigation ("CDBG-MIT") appropriated under Supplemental Appropriations for Disaster Relief Requirements Act, 2018 Public Law 115-123 as amended, to undertake a project known as Polk County 2023 Facility Improvements, for Contract 24-065-044-E536 / B-18-DP-48-0002. DRGR Activity: MIT - Public Facilities and Improvements-Non-Covered Projects- LMI Activity Type: Public Improvements; Project Titles & Locations: Polk County Shelter of Last Resort – Livingston GLO17-32132-P.

Project Description, Purpose and Need:

County shall demolish the existing Polk County building(s) with asbestos and lead abatement, construct an approximately 4250 Sq Ft shelter of last resort, reinforced concrete paving, install utilities and fire sprinkler system, sidewalks, signage, pave and stripe road, and complete associated appurtenances. This is a critical action project. Clearance includes administration, engineering and environmental activities. Total Acres of Disturbance: 0.53 acre. Project location is 602 East Church Street/ US Hwy 190 Livingston, Texas 77351 Lat/Long : 30.709816, -94.9264119. The purpose of this project is to provide a safe place for underserved, disadvantaged and socially vulnerable groups in need of shelter during times of extreme urgent circumstances including significant weather events.

Grant Budget

Grant Number	HUD Program	Funding Amount
# 24-065-044-E536	CDBG MIT	\$ 15,510,000.00

Estimated Total HUD Funded Amount: \$ 15,510,000.00

Estimated Total Local Match Funded Amount: \$ -0-

Estimated Total Project Cost (HUD and non-HUD funds) [24 CFR 58.32(d)]: \$1,915,202.13

FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT

County 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 Polk County, 410 East Church Street Livingston, TX, 77351, where the record

is available for review and may be examined or copied weekdays 8:30 A.M to 4:30 P.M. also available electronically at the following link:

<https://www.dropbox.com/scl/fi/ncbqgee117t5qxpjjutox/PolkCountyShelterLivingstonERRUpdated092325MH.pdf?rlkey=li9l6w5kaprom98jtvava8n5l&dl=0>

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Any individual, group, or agency may submit written comments on the ERR to Polk County. Comments may be submitted to Polk County, 410 East Church Street, Livingston, TX, 77351, weekdays 8:30 A.M. to 4:30 P.M. CST. Comment may also be submitted electronically to sydney.murphy@co.polk.tx.us. All comments received by October 20, 2025, will be considered by County prior to authorizing submission of a request for release of funds. Comments should specify which Notice they are addressing.

ENVIRONMENTAL CERTIFICATION

Polk County certifies to TGLO that Sydney Murphy in her capacity as Judge 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. TGLO's approval of the certification satisfies its responsibilities under NEPA and related laws and authorities and allows County to use Program funds.

OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS

TGLO will accept objections to its release of fund and the Polk County 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 Polk County (b) County 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 TGLO; 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 Heather Lagrone, Texas General Land Office, PO Box 12873, Austin, TX 78711-2873, env.reviews@recovery.texas.gov. Potential objectors should contact TGLO to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

Sydney Murphy Judge County of Polk