

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE FILING OF AN APPLICATION FOR THE PY 2026 COMMUNITY HOUSING IMPACT AND PRESERVATION (CHIP) GRANT PROGRAM TO THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF DEVELOPMENT, OFFICE OF COMMUNITY ENHANCEMENT**

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Ashtabula County, Ohio, has conducted the required public hearings to develop a grant application to the Ohio Department of Development, Office of Community Enhancement, for the PY 2026 Community Housing Impact and Preservation (CHIP) Grant Program, with said public hearings being published in the Star Beacon and on five public forums at least seven days prior to the public hearings; and

WHEREAS, the proposed PY 2026 Community Housing Impact and Preservation Grant Program Application will contain the following activities, budget, and outcomes:

- Rehabilitation Assistance – Owner Rehabilitation – \$797,000.00 (HOME & CDBG) – 12 Outcomes;
- Repair Assistance – Owner Home Repair – \$405,000.00 (CDBG & OHTF) – 14 Outcomes;
- Fair Housing – \$12,000.00 (CDBG); and
- General Administration – \$136,000.00 (CDBG & HOME); and

WHEREAS, Ashtabula County will serve as the lead agency for the PY 2026 CHIP application and is partnering with the Cities of Ashtabula, Conneaut, and Geneva; and

WHEREAS, Ashtabula County accepts full responsibility for the implementation, administration, and compliance of the CHIP Program grant award, if funded, including oversight of all activities carried out by or in partnership with the identified jurisdictions; and

WHEREAS, the Board authorizes Jake Brand, Director of the Department of Planning and Development, and/or designated staff, to take all actions necessary to prepare and submit the PY 2026 CHIP Program application; and

WHEREAS, the Board commits any required local resources, program income, or other eligible matching funds necessary to carry out the proposed activities, as required by the Community Housing Impact and Preservation Program; now

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of Ashtabula County, Ohio, that the proposed PY 2026 application for Community Housing Impact and Preservation (CHIP) Program funds be submitted by the Department of Planning and Development to the Office of Community Enhancement, Ohio Department of Development, 77 South High Street, 24th Floor, Columbus, Ohio 43215, on or before the application deadline of June 24, 2026.

**ASHTABULA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**  
**CERTIFICATION PAGE**

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June 16, 2026

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Upon the motion of Kathryn L. Whittington, seconded by J.P. Ducro IV.

**VOTE:**

Casey R. Kozlowski  
Kathryn L. Whittington  
J.P. Ducro IV

Aye  
Aye  
Aye

**CERTIFICATE OF CLERK**

IT IS HEREBY CERTIFIED that the foregoing is a true and correct transcript of a resolution acted upon and duly passed by the Board of County Commissioners of Ashtabula County, Ohio, on the date noted above.



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Crystal Sturgill, Clerk of the Board  
Board of County Commissioners  
Ashtabula County, Ohio