



October 15, 2024

John Goodrich
Deputy Director
Orange County Health Services Department
2002A. E. Michigan Street
Orlando, FL 32806

Dear Mr. Goodrich,

The Central Florida HIV Planning Council is pleased to submit a letter of support for Orange County Government's Ending the HIV Epidemic application.

The Central Florida HIV Planning Council works directly with Orange County Government as the Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program Part A Recipient for the Orlando Eligible Metropolitan Area, and together we have demonstrated a strong commitment to expand access to HIV care and treatment for people with HIV, addressing unmet needs and improving client outcome. Through needs assessments, data analysis and planning, services in the area are strategically funded in order to address the needs of the community.

Orange County continues to see an increase in the number of persons with HIV in the area and the additional funding from this opportunity will allow Orange County Government to implement effective and innovate strategies to end the HIV epidemic in Orange County. The Central Florida HIV Planning Council is committed to help Orange County Government in the fight against this epidemic while offering a forum for clients in the area to voice their needs and to provide input into the design and implementation of services.

We strongly support Orange County's Ending the HIV Epidemic application and look forward to our continued partnership.

Sincerely,

Andres Acosta, Senior Co-Chair

Central Florida HIV Planning Council