Rebuild Florida General Infrastructure Repair Program Overview

Hurricane Michael

September 17, 2020
Agenda

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Florida Department of Economic Opportunity: Office of Disaster Recovery

- The Florida Department of Economic Opportunity (DEO)’s Office of Disaster Recovery supports long-term recovery housing needs, infrastructure and economic development in Florida communities impacted by disasters.

- DEO is the governor-designated state authority responsible for administering all U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Community Development Block Grant-Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR) and Community Development Block Grant-Mitigation (CDBG-MIT) funds awarded to the state.

- DEO is currently administering long-term recovery programs for Hurricanes Hermine, Matthew, Irma and Michael as well as the CDBG-MIT program.

- Rebuild Florida is a program of DEO created with federal funding to help Florida’s long-term recovery efforts from the devastating impacts of recent storms. The CDBG-DR allocation for Hurricane Michael totals $735 million.
CDBG-DR Overview/Timeline

- **October 2018**: Hurricane Michael made landfall in the Florida Panhandle.
- **May 8, 2019**: $448 million announced by HUD.
- **December 3, 2019**: Additional $287 million allocation from HUD.
- **January 27, 2020**: Federal Register published.
  - [FR–6182–N–01](#)
  - Total Florida Allocation: $735,553,001
- **February 12 – 20, 2020**: DEO hosted public outreach meetings throughout Hurricane Michael-impacted communities.
- **March 11, 2020**: State Action Plan posted for public comment.
- **April 10, 2020**: Public comment period closed.
- **May 14, 2020**: DEO submitted the State Action Plan to HUD.
- **June 26, 2020**: HUD approved state of Florida’s Action Plan for Hurricane Michael long-term recovery.
  - **August 17, 2020**: Launch of Rebuild Florida Voluntary Home Buyout Program for Hurricane Michael.
  - **September 2, 2020**: Launch of Rebuild Florida General Infrastructure Repair Program for Hurricane Michael.
Most Impacted and Distressed (MID) Areas

• **HUD Designated MID areas:**
  - Bay
  - Calhoun
  - Franklin
  - Gadsden
  - Gulf
  - Jackson
  - Liberty
  - Wakulla
  - Washington

• **State Designated MID areas:**
  - Holmes
  - Leon
  - Taylor
Rebuild Florida Programs for Hurricane Michael

- **Rebuild Florida General Infrastructure Repair Program** – Designed to fund infrastructure restoration and improvement projects in communities impacted by Hurricane Michael.

- **Rebuild Florida Hometown Revitalization Program** – Designed to support the recovery of economic activity in commercial areas of impacted towns and cities, facilitating the return and recovery of businesses, jobs and provision of goods and services to the community.

- **Rebuild Florida Workforce Recovery Training Program** – Designed to provide funding opportunities for local workforce development boards, educational institutions and technical centers located in the communities most impacted by Hurricane Michael to train new workers in construction trades.

- **Rebuild Florida Housing Repair and Replacement Program** - Designed to repair, replace or reconstruct homes damaged by Hurricane Michael.

- **Rebuild Florida Voluntary Home Buyout Program** – Designed to encourage risk reduction through the purchase of residential property in high flood-risk areas to help reduce the impact of future disasters. Local governments that are within the federal and state designated Most Impacted and Distressed (MID) areas are eligible to apply for funding.
Rebuild Florida General Infrastructure Repair Program

- **Allocation:** $223,032,145 (awarded in two application rounds, first round for $111,516,145).
- **First Application Cycle:** September 2 – November 30, 2020
- **Minimum Award:** $250,000
- **Application Type:** Subrecipient
- **Applicant Eligibility:** State Agencies, Counties and Municipalities
- **Geographic Eligibility:** HUD and State-Designated MID areas
- **National Objectives:** Benefit to Low - and Moderate-Income (LMI) Persons or Urgent Need
- **Match Requirement:** None
LMI Data

LMI Data may be calculated in two ways:

- 2010 Census Block Data
- Survey Distribution

Detailed information on how to conduct and distribute an LMI survey is available at the following HUD instructional page: https://www.hudexchange.info/programs/cdbg/cdbg-low-moderate-income-data/
Eligible Activities

Eligible activities under the Rebuild Florida General Infrastructure Repair Program include:

- Removal of debris and other damage
- Water and sewer facilities
- Repair to public facilities such as emergency community shelters
- Demolition, rehabilitation of publicly or privately owned commercial or industrial buildings
- Repair of homeless shelters and disaster shelter facilities
- Renourishment of dunes and/or dune restoration
- Economic revitalization which includes any CDBG-DR eligible activity that demonstrably restores and improves some aspect of the local economy

Additionally, projects must:

- Demonstrate damage tie-back to Hurricane Michael.
- Primarily serve LMI populations.
- Support LMI housing or Urgent Need.
- Not duplicate benefits
Application Scoring Criteria

- DEO will apply a two-phased process to review applications:
  - HUD CDBG-DR Threshold Compliance Criteria.
  - If a proposal is determined to satisfy Threshold Compliance Criteria, DEO will apply scoring based on the following Scoring Criteria for a maximum of 125 points:

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Total Capacity Score: 125
Technical Assistance

- DEO will also hold 20-minute one on one meetings with potential applicants to discuss any questions that may arise during the application process beginning after today’s webinar.

- You may reserve a time for one-on-one Technical Assistance by visiting: https://www.picktime.com/HurricaneMichaelRebuildFlorida

- Please email your questions in advance to: CDBG-DRInfrastructureApp@deo.myflorida.com
Questions

• To ask a question, type it in the ‘Questions’ box.
• To learn more about the DEO Office of Disaster Recovery and programs available to disaster-impacted communities, visit:

www.RebuildFlorida.gov

Email: CDBG-DRInfrastructureApp@deo.myflorida.com