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## **State Accepting Public Comments on Plan to Reallocate Disaster Recovery Funding, Create New Program for 2016 Floods**

The Louisiana Office of Community Development is encouraging public comments on an [Action Plan Amendment](#) to create a new program and reallocate disaster funding for recovery from the Great Floods of 2016.

Action Plan Amendment 8 would create the First Responders Public Services Program by moving \$8 million from administration and other planning expenses. The amendment also seeks to move \$7 million from the Neighborhood Landlord Rental Program, which has experienced lower than anticipated demand, into the Piggyback Rental Program, which has experienced higher than anticipated needs.

The formal public comment period for Action Plan Amendment 8 begins today, May 2, and continues until 5 p.m. Tuesday, May 15. Residents, community leaders and elected officials can leave comments [here](#) and view the plan by clicking on the respective APA link.

The funds are part of \$1.7 billion in Community Development Block Grant disaster recovery dollars that the Department of Housing and Urban Development allocated to Louisiana for recovery from the Great Floods of 2016.

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