



Select Committee on Hurricane Recovery
Program Information/Updates

October 28, 2013



Hurricane Isaac DR-CDBG Funding

- HUD appropriated **\$106.8 million** to Louisiana:
 - \$66.4 million – State of Louisiana
 - \$16.8 million – Jefferson Parish
 - \$15 million – Orleans Parish
 - \$8.9 million – St. Tammany Parish
- OCD-DRU **transferred \$2,019,000** of State allocation to **St. Tammany Parish**
- **\$64,379,000** – Current State-Level Funds



Hurricane Isaac DR-CDBG Funding

State Allocations	Amount
St. John the Baptist Parish	\$32,674,000
Plaquemines Parish	\$16,953,000
State Run Programs	\$11,432,000
State Administration, Planning and Program Delivery	\$3,320,000
Total	\$64,379,000

- Action Plan sent to HUD for approval Aug. 30, 2013
- Expect HUD approval by Nov. 4, 2013

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Action Plan Amendments 58, 59 and 60

Re-evaluation of Benefits

APA 58 applies to homeowners who either:

- Owe money back to the program; or
- Are Option 1 or 2 Road Home recipients who closed but have not fulfilled the terms of their grant agreement due to circumstances beyond their control

Circumstances recipients have encountered include:

- Contractor or builder fraud;
- Involuntary forced mortgage payoff;
- Theft or vandalism;
- Damage from a subsequent event – such as another hurricane or a fire – prior to completion of repairs; or
- Installation of contaminated drywall.

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Action Plan Amendments 58, 59 and 60

Construction Financing Assistance

APA 59 provides additional assistance to qualified Option 1 grantees in the form of a **Loan Principal Repayment Grant**

- Grant applied to principal of a construction or rehabilitation loan
- Loan used to complete home repairs
- Qualified participants must have an approved re-evaluation of their grant amount in accordance with APA 58
- All participants will work with case managers

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Action Plan Amendments 58, 59 and 60

Reclassification of Elevation Funds

APA 60 allows for the reclassification of Road Home Elevation award amounts that have been used for home repair and reconstruction to be considered **part of the applicant's compensation award**

- Amount of elevation funds used for home repairs subtracted from the amount the homeowner owes back to the state
- Homeowners must provide documentation demonstrating that the elevation funds were used for valid home repairs or construction

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RH Compliance Deadline and Outreach

14 Outreach Events Held or Scheduled

- **11 in New Orleans Metropolitan Area:**
 - New Orleans – 8
 - Jefferson – 1
 - Chalmette – 1
 - Slidell – 1
- **3 in Southwest Louisiana:**
 - Cameron – 1
 - Lake Charles – 1
 - Erath – 1
- **565 RH recipients helped** at outreach events as of 10/24*

**Does not include totals for upcoming events on 10/26 and 11/5*

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RH Compliance Deadline and Outreach

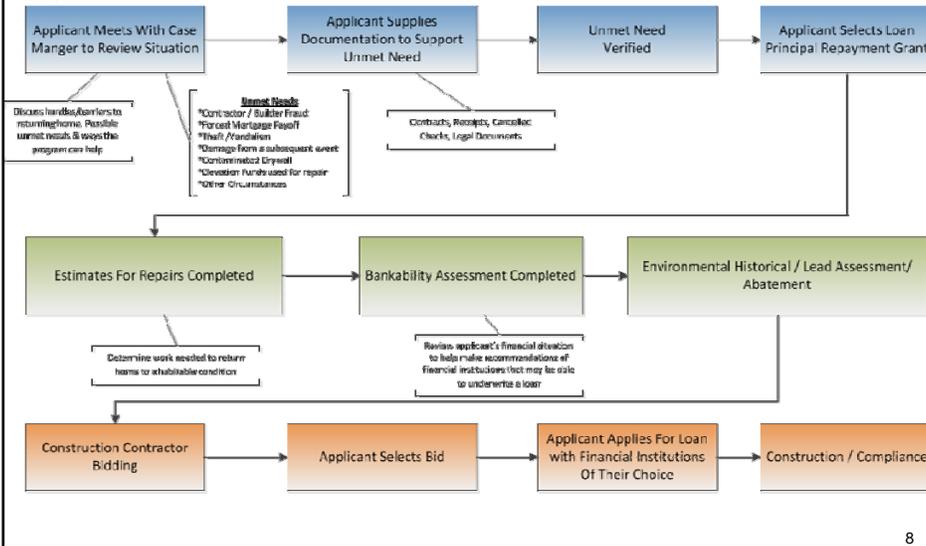
- **Extended Hours at Lakeshore Drive office in New Orleans**
 - Mondays and Wednesdays: 9 a.m. – 7 p.m.
 - Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays: 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.
 - Saturdays (Oct. 5 and 19, Nov. 2 and 16): 9 a.m. – 2 p.m.
- **1,598 RH recipients assisted** at Lakeshore office since letter mailed
- **26,669 calls made** to RH toll-free number, 1-888-762-3252 x2
 - RH Call Center held extended hours for two weeks to handle increased call volume
- Of the 54,671 deadline letters sent, **14,801 homeowners (27%)** have returned compliance documents

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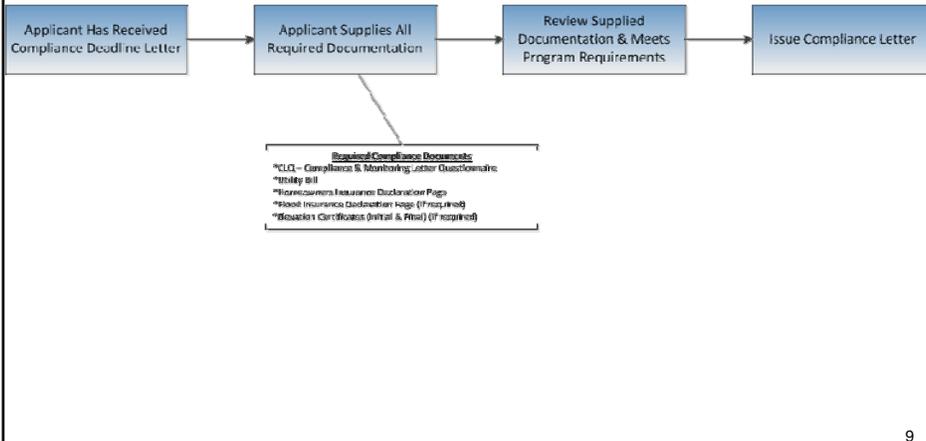
Road Home Program

Not Home? - How The Loan Principal Repayment Grant Can Help



Road Home Program

If You've Returned Home





Road Home Program

as of 9/30/13

- **130,026** homeowners have received **\$8.99 billion**, including:
 - \$944 million in elevation funds to 32,435 homeowners;
 - \$192 million in Individual Mitigation Measures to 25,645 recipients; and
 - \$2.12 billion in Additional Compensation Grants to 46,122 homeowners.

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Infrastructure

project totals as of 9/10/13; obligated and disbursed amounts as of 9/30/13

Program	Projects	Obligated	Expended
Long Term Community Recovery	202	\$699,157,641	\$443,572,994
Primary and Secondary Education	76	\$243,750,000	\$176,053,070
Local Government	38	\$177,130,095	\$126,359,404
Fisheries Assistance	22	\$25,417,298	\$10,992,367
Ratepayer Mitigation	1	\$200,000,000	\$200,000,000
Total	339	\$1,345,455,034	\$956,977,835

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K/R Infrastructure Deadlines

- Of the \$1.3 billion in Infrastructure funds:
 - **\$1.17 billion** in projects that are currently under construction or ready for closeout (construction complete)
- Project Expenditure Deadline: April 1, 2013
- **Construction Start Deadline: Dec. 2, 2013**
 - Notification sent to grantees July 19, 2013
- Intent of the “Construction Start” deadline is to **move the remaining \$117 million** in projects towards construction

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Economic Development

as of 9/30/13

Program	Obligated	Expended
Small Firm Recovery Grant and Loan	\$165,630,324	\$164,619,577
Recovery Workforce Training	\$37,053,635	\$37,053,632
Project-Based Recovery Opportunity (PROP)*	\$34,189,356	\$23,469,402
Louisiana Tourism Marketing	\$28,500,000	\$28,425,066
Research Commercialization & Educational Enhancement	\$28,500,000	\$27,792,338
Technical Assistance to Small Firms	\$9,839,634	\$9,839,634
Innovation Loan and Technical Assistance**	\$7,412,000	\$5,213,964
Louisiana Bridge Loan	\$6,206,331	\$6,131,331
Total	\$317,331,280	\$302,544,944

*Program initiated in 2010

**Program initiated in 2010; combines Katrina/Rita & Gustav/Ike recovery funds

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Gustav and Ike Recovery

Parish Recovery Program

as of 9/30/13

Within 53 parishes:

- o 345 infrastructure, housing and economic development projects
- o \$562.5 million obligated
- o \$151.4 million expended



The Community Center in Wisner (Franklin Parish) opened in Sept. 2013, with \$337,355 CDBG funds invested through Franklin's Parish Recovery funds.



G/I Infrastructure Deadlines

- Infrastructure **Project Application Approval Deadline:** May 1, 2013
 - o 92 letters sent for projects without approved applications
 - o As of Oct. 23, 2013, **only 3 projects remain** without an approved application
- **Plans and Specifications, Environmental Review Completion Deadline: Dec. 2, 2013**
 - o Notification sent to grantees May 8, 2013
 - o Requests for deadline extensions must be received by Nov. 1, 2013

Submitted Plans/Specs Deadline

- o 164 letters sent for projects without submitted plans/specs
- o 21 plans/specs have been received
- o 6 project extension requests received

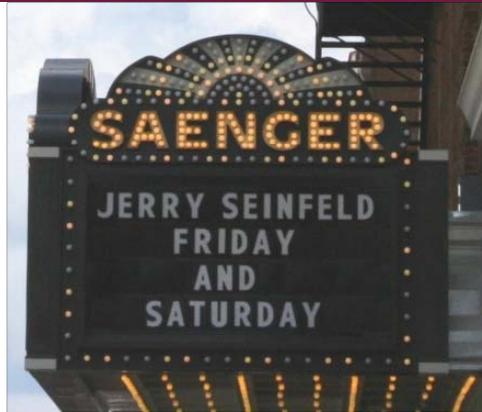
Environmental Review Record Deadline

- o 117 letters sent for projects without submitted ERRs
- o 21 ERRs have been received
- o 8 project extension requests received



Recent Events

- Sept. 16: **South Market Groundbreaking**
 - \$500,000 PROP loan
- Sept. 27: **Saenger Theatre Grand Opening**
 - \$15 million in DR-CDBG invested
- Oct. 21: **Iberville Ground-breaking**
 - \$12.5 million in DR-CDBG invested
- More than \$200 million in DR-CDBG invested in Choice Neighborhood area



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Recent Events

- Oct. 8: **Gill Street Ribbon Cutting**
 - Lake Charles
 - \$5.36 million DR-CDBG in entire Lakefront Development invested
- Oct. 16: **Edward A. Dufresne Community Center Grand Opening**
 - Luling, St. Charles Parish
 - \$7.75 million in **Gustav/like** DR-CDBG invested



Ribbon Cutting Ceremony for the Gill Street expansion of the Lake Charles Lakefront Development Project

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<http://www.doa.louisiana.gov/CDBG/>

<http://www.road2la.org>

<http://www.mitigatela.org>