AGENDA

- Introductions
- CDBG-Mitigation Overview
- Eligible Communities
- State Action Plan Development
- Activities Eligible for Funding
- Additional Considerations and General Notes
- Questions & Comments
“Those activities that increase resilience to disasters and reduce or eliminate the long-term risk of loss of life, injury, damage to and loss of property, and suffering and hardship, by lessening the impact of future disasters.”

— U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development
CDBG – MIT OVERVIEW

• Funds originally announced: April 2018
• Florida allocation: $633,485,000
• Federal Register Notice Published: August 30, 2019
• In total, 51 Florida counties are currently eligible for CDBG-MIT funding.
  • Due to 2016 and 2017 (Hurricanes Hermine, Matthew, and Irma) disasters
• CDBG-MIT state action plan due to HUD: February 3, 2020.
FR-6109-N-02

August 30, 2019
CDBG-MIT FUNDING

- At least 50% of funds must be spent on mitigation needs in HUD-designated Most Impacted and Distressed (MID) areas
- Remaining funds can be spent in State-designated Most Impacted and Distressed (MID) areas
- 50% minimum spending to benefit low-to-moderate income (LMI) communities
- 50% minimum required funding expended in 6 years
- 100% must be expended in 12 years
HUD MOST IMPACTED AND DISTRESSED (MID) AREAS

- **HUD-designated MID counties:** Brevard, Broward, Clay, Collier, Duval, Hillsborough, Lee, Miami Dade, Monroe, Orange, Osceola, Palm Beach, Polk, St. Johns, St. Lucie, and Volusia counties;

- **HUD-designated MID ZIP Codes:** 32084, 32091, 32136, 32145, 32771, 33440, 33523, 33825, 33870, 32068, 33935, and 34266.
STATE MOST IMPACTED AND DISTRESSED (MID) AREAS

CDBG-MIT ACTION PLAN

• DEO will lead the state’s efforts to create the federally require State Action Plan
  • Provides a high-level strategy for how the funding will be used to address eligible communities’ disaster mitigation needs.
  • Will be developed in partnership with state and local partners involved in mitigation and resiliency efforts.

• Action Plan is due February 3, 2020
  • Public Comment = 45 days
  • HUD review = 60 days after submission

• Requirements
  • Risk-Based Needs Assessment
  • Community Participation Strategy
  • Eligible and Ineligible Activities
RISK BASED MITIGATION NEEDS ASSESSMENT
RISK-BASED MITIGATION NEEDS ASSESSMENT

• Addresses the current and future risks identified in the most impacted and distressed areas

• “...must quantitatively assess the significant potential impacts and risks of hazards...”

• State Hazard Mitigation Plan (HMP) must be utilized in risk assessment. “Grantees must reference these plans and indicate how the risks identified in the Mitigation Needs Assessment have been informed by the FEMA mitigation plan.”

• As mitigation needs evolve over time and conditions change, amendments to the initial assessment will be submitted.

• Seven Community Lifelines Risk Reduction
The risk assessment provides the **factual basis** for activities proposed in the mitigation strategy that will reduce losses from identified hazards. It makes a **clear connection** between the **vulnerability** and the **proposed hazard mitigation actions**.

- Flooding
- Hurricanes/Tropical Storms
- Severe Storms
- Coastal Erosion
- Wildfires

Community lifelines enable the **continuous operation** of government functions and critical business and is essential to **human health and safety** or economic security. In our risk assessment, **identifying gaps and vulnerabilities** of these critical services will inform our mitigation strategy.
RISK-BASED MITIGATION NEEDS ASSESSMENT
CITIZEN PARTICIPATION

- In May 2019, DEO launched CDBG-MIT survey to generate feedback from Florida communities regarding their mitigation needs and priorities.
  - Still available at RebuildFlorida.gov
- Upcoming regional workshops in MID areas.
- Regular program updates via webinar, conference calls and email blasts.
- Publication of the action plan and opportunity for public comment
- Meaningful access to public commentary to LEP individuals
- Must make the action plan and any amendments accessible online
Following an approved action plan, DEO “shall form one or more citizen advisory committees that shall meet in an open forum not less than twice annually in order to provide increased transparency in the implementation of the CDBG-MIT funds, to solicit and respond to public comment and input regarding the grantee’s mitigation activities and to serve as an on-going public forum to continuously inform the grantee’s CDBG-MIT projects and programs.”
• Regional investments in risk reduction from hazards to develop disaster-resistant infrastructure

• Water, sewer, solid waste, communications, energy, transportation, health and medical, and other public infrastructure to address specific identified risks

• Multi-use infrastructure

• Green or natural mitigation infrastructure development
ELIGIBLE ACTIVITIES - PLANNING

• “Development of modernized and resilient building codes and land use plans.”
• “Integration of mitigation planning with other local and regional mitigation community development, land use and other plans”
• “Upgrade mapping, data, and other capabilities to better understand evolving potential disaster risks.”
• Eligible Plans
  • Local and regional functional land-use plans
  • Master plans
  • Historical preservation plans
  • Comprehensive plans
  • Community recovery plans
  • Resilience plans
  • Development of building codes
  • Zoning ordinances
  • Neighborhood plans
• Meeting matching requirements, shares, or contribution for other Federal programs
  • Includes FEMA and *USACE
    • USACE federal project max is $250,000
INELIGIBLE ACTIVITIES

• Funding for buildings used for the general conduct of government

• Emergency Response Services (ERS)
  • Funds *may* be used to enhance the resilience of facilities

• Forced mortgage payoff

• Enlargement of dam or levee beyond original design

• Assistance to private utilities
ADDITIONAL CONSIDERATIONS

- Promote local and regional long-term planning and implementation (including development and enforcement of building codes)
- Promote coordination and leveraging of funds
- Promote natural infrastructure
- Ensure construction standards
- Describe plans for long-term operation and maintenance
- Assure that construction costs are reasonable
CDBG – MITIGATION ACTION PLAN DEVELOPMENT TIMELINE

- Federal Register Notice Published
  - August 30, 2019

- Develop State Action Plan

- 45 Day Public Comment Period

- Review/Respond to Public Comments

- Submit Action Plan to HUD
  - February 3, 2020

Ongoing Stakeholder Outreach
QUESTIONS & COMMENTS

• Website: RebuildFlorida.Gov

• Mitigation Survey: RebuildFlorida.Gov

• Email: cdbg-mit@deo.myflorida.com
To learn more about the DEO Office of Disaster Recovery and programs available to disaster-impacted communities, visit:

www.RebuildFlorida.gov