Rebuild Florida CDBG-Mitigation General Planning Support Program

Florida Department of Economic Opportunity Office of Disaster Recovery
AGENDA

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The Florida Department of Economic Opportunity (DEO)'s Office of Disaster Recovery supports long-term recovery housing, infrastructure and economic development needs 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.

Launched in September 2018, 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.

DEO is currently administering long-term recovery programs for Hurricanes Hermine, Matthew and Irma.

DEO is also preparing to administer funds for Hurricane Michael recovery.
CDBG – MIT OVERVIEW/TIMELINE

- **April 2018:** Funds originally announced by HUD.
  - **Florida allocation:** $633,485,000

- **August 30, 2019:** Federal Register notice published.
  - **FR-6109-N-02**

- In total, 51 Florida counties are eligible for CDBG-MIT funding.
  - 2016 – 2017 presidentially declared disasters (Hurricanes Hermine, Matthew and Irma).

- **February 3, 2020:** State Action Plan submitted to HUD.

- **April 3, 2020:** HUD approved state of Florida’s Action Plan for mitigation activities.
  - **April 15, 2020:** Launched Rebuild Florida Critical Facility Hardening Program
  - **May 15, 2020:** Launched Rebuild Florida Mitigation General Planning Program
  - **June 15, 2020:** Launch of Rebuild Florida Mitigation General Infrastructure Program
At least 50% of funds must be spent in HUD-designated Most Impacted and Distressed (MID) areas.

Remaining funds can be spent in State-designated MID areas.

At least 50% of spending must benefit low-and-moderate income (LMI) communities.

50% minimum of funding is required to be expended in six years.

State has 12 years to expend all CDBG-MIT funds.
## Allocation of CDBG-MIT Funds

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<td>Infrastructure</td>
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<td>• Rebuild Florida General Infrastructure Program</td>
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<td>• Rebuild Florida Critical Facility Hardening Program</td>
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<td>Planning and Administrative Costs</td>
<td>$83,485,000</td>
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<td>• Rebuild Florida General Planning Support Program</td>
<td>$20,000,000</td>
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<td>• DEO Administration</td>
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<td><strong>Total Allocation</strong></td>
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REBUILD FLORIDA GENERAL PLANNING SUPPORT PROGRAM (GPS)

• **Allocation:** $20,000,000

• **Application Cycle:** May 15, 2020 – July 31, 2020

• **Project Minimum & Maximum:** $20,000 - $10,000,000

• **Application Type:** Subrecipient

• **Applicant Eligibility:** Units of General Local Government (UGLG), state agencies, educational institutions and nonprofits

• **Geographic Eligibility:** HUD and State-Designated MID areas

• **National Objectives:** Low- and Moderate-Income (LMI) and Urgent Need

• **Hazard Risks Addressed:** Flooding, Severe Storms, Tropical Cyclones, Coastal Erosion, Wildfires

• **Community Lifelines Protected:** Safety and Security, Food, Water and Shelter, Health and Medical, Energy, Communication, Transportation and Hazardous Materials
Program Requirements:

- At least 50% of funds must be spent in HUD-identified MID areas.
- Funds may not be used to supplant existing funding sources or programming.
- All CDBG-MIT projects must comply with all applicable federal, state and local requirements.
- Any plan that considers housing must conduct an Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing (AFFH) review of the plan to ensure equality.
- Subrecipients must submit proof of the completed work product the application stated would be the end result of the grant funds.

To be eligible for funding, a grant proposal must:

- Be in compliance with the State Mitigation Action Plan.
- Have a beneficial impact upon the designated disaster area, even if located outside the designated area.
- Be cost effective and result in an actionable plan that will provide strategies for high-impact mitigation activities.
APPLICATION PROCESS

• Application Period: **May 15, 2020 – July 31, 2020, 5:00 p.m. EST**

• Applications must describe the plan being proposed and address how and why it needs to be created, updated or integrated to mitigate risks attributable to threats identified in the state of Florida Action Plan Risk-Based Mitigation Needs Assessment. Plans must also include a proposed budget with a detailed description of anticipated costs by category, including support services and program management and administration.

• Application materials are provided in Appendices B-E of the GPS Guidelines. These include:
  ◦ Application Form
  ◦ Application Instructions
  ◦ Application Checklist
  ◦ Completed Sample Application
ELIGIBLE & INELIGIBLE ACTIVITIES

ELIGIBLE

- Regional mitigation plans.
- Modernization and resiliency planning.
- Comprehensive, capital improvement, and community development mitigation planning.
- Floodplain and wetland management plans.
- Upgrading mapping, data and other capabilities to better understand evolving disaster risks.
- Planning and public service activities necessary to reduce flood insurance premiums in the National Flood Insurance Program’s (NFIP) voluntary Community Rating System incentive program.
- Education and outreach campaigns designed to alert communities and prospective beneficiaries to opportunities to further mitigate identified risks through insurance, best practices and other strategies.

INELIGIBLE

- Material or supply costs unrelated to GPS activities.
- Costs not associated with the development of plans or planning activities.
- Furnishings and personal property, including motor vehicles and fixtures.
- Political activities or lobbying.
- Payments to a for-profit business while that business or business owner is the subject of unresolved findings for non-compliance with CDBG assistance.
- Construction, engineering and other costs associated with a specific plan.
DEO will apply a two-phase process to review and score applications

**Phase 1: Proposals must meet Mandatory Threshold Compliance Criteria**

- Application is signed and complete
- Application was submitted on time
- Applicant is an eligible UGLG, state agency, educational institution or non-profit or non-governmental entity that applied in partnership with a UGLG or state agency
- Applicants project benefits HUD and/or State MID areas

**Phase 2: Review based on mitigation value and cost effectiveness**

- Available Points: 100
- Scoring Categories:
  - Project Description
  - Community Value
  - Capacity Plan
  - Implementation Plan
  - Budget
  - Leveraged Dollars
TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

• DEO will provide one-on-one technical assistance (TA) calls to GPS applicants starting on **May 26, 2020** and ending on **June 2, 2020**.

• You may reserve a time for one-on-one technical assistance by visiting: [https://www.picktime.com/cdbgmit](https://www.picktime.com/cdbgmit)

• Applicants can email questions to: cdbg-mit@deo.myflorida.com

• Review General Planning Support guidelines before your scheduled call.

• **After June 2, 2020**: Continued TA support to applicants during application cycle.
To learn more about the DEO Office of Disaster Recovery and programs available to disaster-impacted communities, visit:

www.RebuildFlorida.gov

Email: cdbg-mit@deo.myflorida.com