



**U.S. Department of Housing and
Urban Development
Disaster Support**
presentation for the
Silver Jackets Program
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HUD Background

- Mission is to create strong, sustainable, inclusive communities and quality affordable homes for all
- Second smallest Cabinet agency - 7,600 employees
- 10 regions and 65 field offices throughout the U.S.
- Support housing and community programs with state and local governments, who do the local execution of the core programs of HUD
- Three major program offices at HUD
 - Office of Public and Indian Housing
 - Office of Housing/Federal Housing Administration
 - Office of Community Planning and Development
 - Multiple functional offices engage in execution of HUD missions

HUD in the Community

- Communities receive funding from multiple HUD programs
- HUD provides some reprogramming flexibility after disasters
- Most HUD programs don't have much reserve funding for emergencies
- Most HUD grantees don't have much reserve funding

HUD Programs

- Public and Indian Housing (PIH)
 - Affordable housing through about 3,300 Public Housing Authorities
 - Public housing – 1 million units
 - Housing Choice Vouchers – 2.5 million units
- Housing
 - Rental assistance – 1.3 million units
 - Housing for the elderly and disabled – 160,000 units
 - Mortgage insurance for single and multi-family housing
- Greater engagement with the assisted housing programs than with mortgage insurance

HUD Programs

- Community Planning and Development (CPD)
 - Supports community needs and economic development
 - Reducing homelessness
- Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) is the major program in CPD
 - Great flexibility at local level – CDBG funds can match other Federal program funds
 - Support benefiting low and moderate income residents
 - Responds to local priorities through local planning
 - Allocations to local governments or through states

HUD Support for Planning

- Through the CDBG program, communities develop Consolidated Plans
- Help states and local jurisdictions assess affordable housing and community development needs and to make data-driven, place-based investment decisions
- The consolidated planning process serves as the framework for a community-wide dialogue
- The consolidate plan can be the core of the community recovery plans

HUD Programs – CDBG-DR

- Community Planning and Development – Disaster Recovery
 - **Separately appropriated** (through disaster supplementals) following major disasters
 - \$37 billion to CDBG-DR in the 115th Congress (2017-2018)
 - Promotes community and economic recovery
 - Requires state or community plans and priorities
 - Focus on unmet housing, economic revitalization, and infrastructure needs in impacted areas
 - Appropriation may target issues such as power or mitigation
 - Not available for every disaster
- Allocations based on data from FEMA and others on impacts of the disaster



CDBG-DR

- Primary Objective: Disaster relief, long term recovery, restoration of infrastructure and housing, and economic revitalization
- Process for appropriation, allocation, planning and execution is often lengthy
- This presents opportunities for Silver Jackets teams to integrate mitigation efforts into plan
- Planning typically led by state government with involvement of local groups

HUD Immediate Assistance

- Assessment and engagement for HUD situational awareness
- Support for HUD grantees
- Regulatory flexibility for grantees and mortgage holders
- Support to FEMA through Mission Assignments
 - Joint Field Office
 - Disaster Recovery Centers
- Housing RSF
- Assistance in planning community and housing recovery
- Data collection and analysis
- Assessment of “unmet needs” in Housing

HUD Disaster Execution

- Small staff – cadre of disaster coordinators and program staff who support disaster response
 - Disaster response efforts draw staff from programs
 - Focus on both HUD assisted housing and broader community recovery
 - Most response work performed under FEMA Mission Assignments
 - HUD is lead for Housing Recovery Support Function
- Recovery through CDBG-DR
 - Allocations occur some time after the disaster
 - Locally led planning efforts
 - Great flexibility to the local leaders
 - Typically run at the state level

HUD's Disaster Activities

- Assess impacts to staff and HUD operations
- Determine impacts to assisted housing stock
- Coordinate with grantees and communities
- Support recovery planning through ESF 6 and the Housing RSF
- Determine the broader community impact for allocation of CDBG-DR funding
- Work in Disaster Recovery Centers and shelters with focus on long term housing solutions
- Additional focus on HUD assisted residents to move them from shelters into permanent housing

HUD CDBG-DR – 115th Congress

- December 2017 - \$46M
 - Texas
- February 2018 - \$7.4B
 - Florida
 - Puerto Rico
 - Texas
 - US Virgin Islands
- April 2018 - \$12.0B
 - California
 - Florida
 - Georgia
- April 2018 (cont'd)
 - Missouri
 - Puerto Rico (incl grid)
 - Texas
 - US Virgin Islands
- April 2018 Mitigation - \$15.9B
 - 2017 events – 7 states
 - 2016 events – 5 states
 - 2015 events – 2 states and 5 cities/counties

Time to Plan and Engage

- Consideration, appropriation and allocation process for disaster supplementals is not immediate
- The process provides an opportunity for local mitigation projects to be considered and included
- Can't neglect the requirement to focus on impacted community and residents at greatest need
- Planning occurs at state (occasionally local) level

CDBG-DR Process

- Grantee creates, publishes, and submits CDBG-DR Action Plan
- Citizens review and comment on CDBG-DR Action Plan
- HUD reviews and accepts CDBG-DR Action Plan
- Grantee implements activities and draws funds

Allocating HUD Disaster Funding

- Evaluate and integrate information on community level unmet needs from the disaster
 - Housing damage
 - Infrastructure
- Draws on
 - FEMA registration data
 - Inspection results

Use of CDBG-DR Funds

- CDBG-DR funds must be used for: “...necessary expenses related to disaster relief, longterm recovery, and restoration of infrastructure, housing, and economic revitalization...”
- Each CDBG-DR activity must
 - Address a disaster-related impact (direct or indirect) in a Presidentially-declared county for the covered disaster
 - Be a CDBG eligible activity
 - Meet a CDBG national objective

CDBG National Objectives

- Benefit to low- and moderate- income (LMI) persons
- Aid in the prevention or elimination of slums or blight
- Meet a need having a particular urgency (referred to as urgent need)

Use of Funding

- CDBG-DR funding supplements other Federal recovery assistance programs administered by FEMA, SBA, and USACE
- CDBG-DR funds cannot duplicate funding available from federal, state or local governments, private and non-profit organizations, insurance proceeds, or any other source of assistance
- May be used to match other federal resources

Linkage to the Disaster

- The entity responsible for the recovery activity must document how the activity is:
 - Addressing a disaster-related impact
 - Restoring housing, infrastructure, or the economy

Mitigation Activities

- Mitigation or preparedness activities that are not part of rebuilding efforts are generally ineligible as CDBG-DR recovery activities
- Other federal agencies provide funds specifically for mitigation and preparedness
 - FEMA Hazard Mitigation Grant Program
- Adding preparedness and mitigation into the rebuilding of facilities is encouraged
 - The goal is to be safer and stronger.

Assistance for Planning

- CDBG Disaster Recovery website
<https://www.hudexchange.info/programs/cdbg-dr/>
- Supplemental Appropriations and Federal Register Notices
<https://www.hudexchange.info/programs/cdbg-dr/cdbg-dr-laws-regulations-andfederal-register-notices/>
- CDBG-DR grantees
- HUD CPD representatives

Other Information

- HOME Investment Partnership Program
https://www.hud.gov/program_offices/comm_planning/affordablehousing/
- CDBG grantees <https://www.hudexchange.info/grantees/>
- Funding levels <https://www.hudexchange.info/grantees/allocations-awards/>
- Local grantee contacts
<https://www.hudexchange.info/grantees/contacts/>
- Income limits
https://www.huduser.gov/portal/datasets/il.html#2018_query

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