



Florida CDBG – DR Action Plan Disaster Recovery

Stakeholder Session 3

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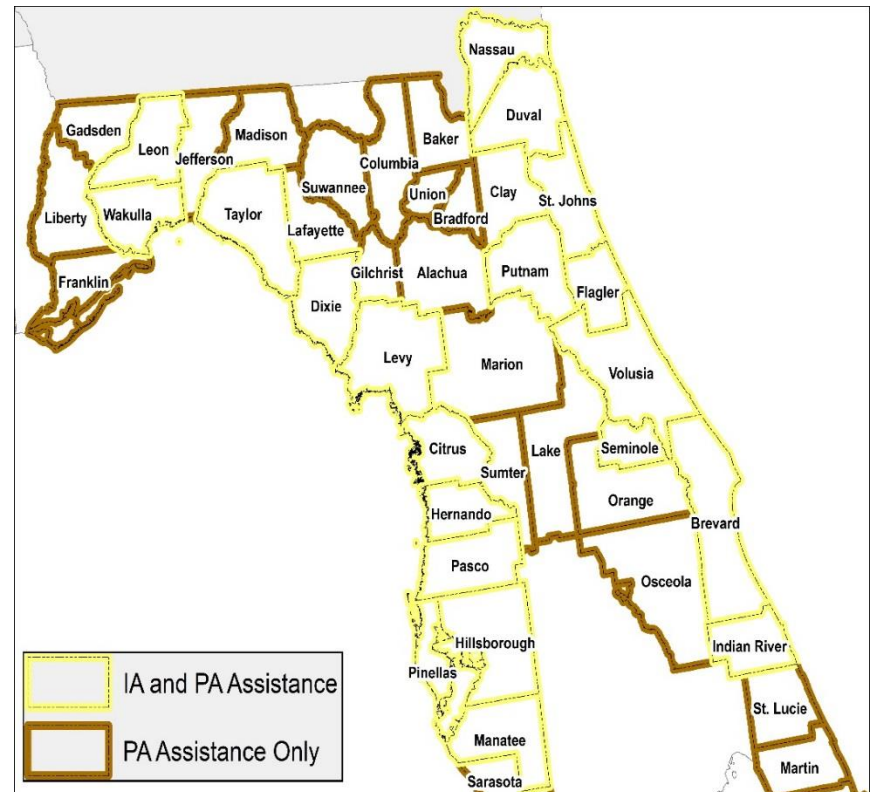
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- Presentation Objectives:
 - Overview of current status of Community Development Block Grant disaster recovery efforts
 - Outline eligible projects and activities that are in the draft Action Plan
 - Provide notice for public comments

Where are we now?

Florida has been allocated \$58.6 million in Federal funding for long-term recovery from disaster events in 2016:

- Hurricane Hermine (DR-4280)
 - August 31, 2016 to September 11, 2016
- Hurricane Matthew (DR-4283)
 - October 03, 2016 to October 19, 2016



What do these grants funds pay for?

- All funded activities must meet one of the three HUD National Objectives:
 - Benefit persons of low and moderate income (LMI)
 - Aid in the prevention or elimination of slums or blight
 - Meet other urgent community development needs because of serious or immediate threat

*70% of the \$58.6 million must benefit LMI persons

HUD Requirement

- As required in the Federal Register, the Action Plan will primarily address unmet housing needs. The plan will also take into account the costs of incorporating mitigation and resiliency measures to protect against future hazards.
- Infrastructure and economic revitalization needs can be considered if:
 - the community identifies how unmet housing need will be met, or
 - how such use supports housing sector recovery.

Community Development Block Grant-Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR) Program Design

- The CDBG-DR program in the Action Plan will describe the connection between the identified unmet needs and the allocation of CDBG-DR resources; and will
- Demonstrate a proportionate allocation of resources relative to areas and categories (housing, economy, infrastructure) of greatest need.

Program Design

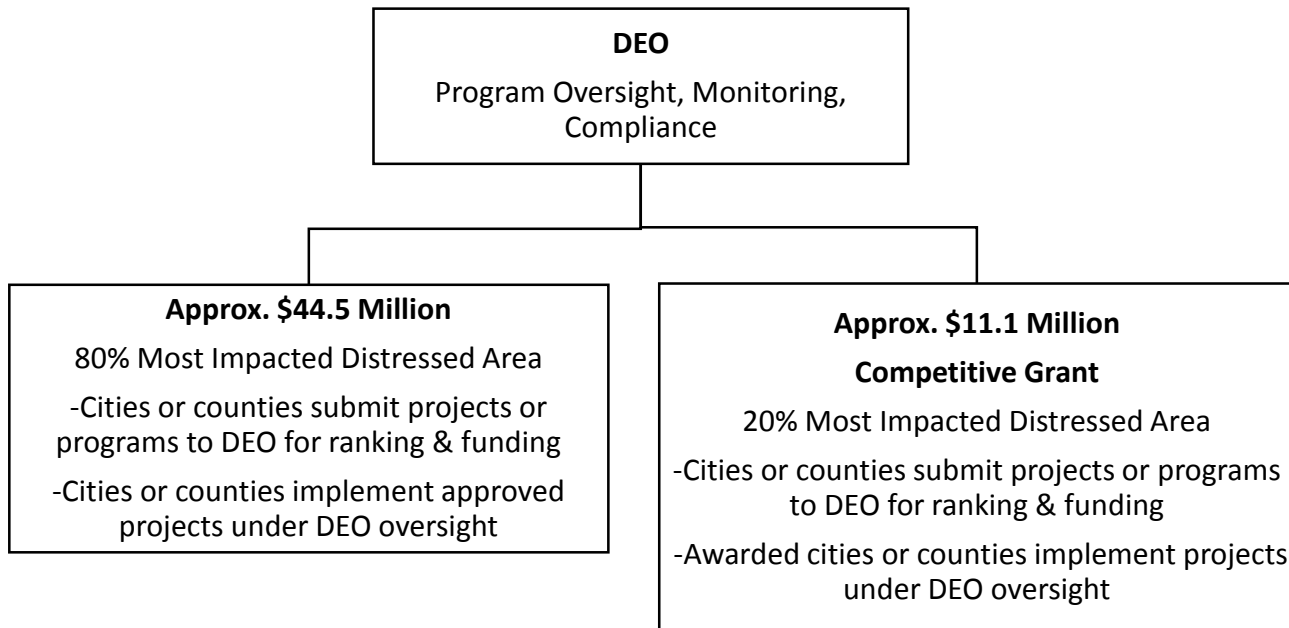
Florida Disaster Recovery Program

- Assistance will be limited to jurisdictions and counties within the FEMA declared area for Individual assistance (IA).

PDD 4283 – Hurricane Matthew	PDD 4280- Hurricane Hermine
County	County
Brevard	Citrus
Duval	Dixie
Flagler	Hernando
Indian River	Hillsborough
Nassau	Leon
Putnam	Levy
Seminole	Manatee
St. Johns	Pasco
Volusia	Pinellas
	Taylor
	Wakulla

- 80% of the funds must be expended for recovery in the HUD identified “most impacted and distressed” areas.
- 70% of the funds must benefit LMI persons.

Program Design



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- 80% Most Impacted Distressed (MID) Process - county will work with its municipalities, and other respective partners, to package projects for DEO to review for eligibility and consistency with the Federal Register Notice and CDBG-DR regulations.
- Subgrant agreements for funded projects will be with the counties for projects proposed in unincorporated areas and with municipalities for projects proposed within incorporated areas.

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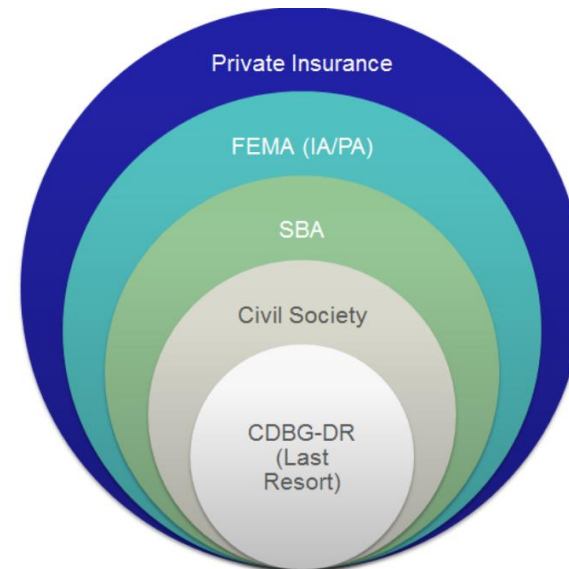
- 20% MID Process – Competitive application may include criteria that considers:
 - Total low-and-moderate income (LMI), low-income, and very low-income housing units/beneficiaries served;
 - The percentages of these types of beneficiaries;
 - The future expenditure of non-CDBG funds alongside CDBG-DR assistance (i.e. leverage); and
 - Whether proposed infrastructure projects are shovel ready.

Program Design - Thresholds

- Local governments will select projects to propose to DEO for funding in accordance with DEO thresholds. Projects must:
 - Demonstrate tie-back to the hurricane event (Hermine or Matthew).
 - Primarily address unmet housing needs.
 - Primarily serve LMI populations.
 - Projects for infrastructure must support LMI housing.
 - Must not duplicate benefit.

Duplication of Benefits

- Sec. 312. Duplication of Benefits (42 U.S.C. 5155)(a) General prohibition - The President, in consultation with the head of each Federal agency administering any program providing financial assistance to persons, business concerns, or other entities suffering losses as a result of a major disaster or emergency, shall assure that no such person, business concern, or other entity will receive such assistance with respect to any part of such loss as to which he has received financial assistance under any other program or from insurance or any other source.



Program Design

- Local governments may pursue a range of eligible activities under CDBG-DR, so long as they are in accordance with the threshold requirements, action plan, and Federal Register.
- Local governments will be required to meet HUD regulations, such as environmental, duplication of benefits, fair housing, and others.

Program Design - Housing

- For any residential rehabilitation or reconstruction program, DEO will establish Housing Guidelines to set housing assistance caps.
- Housing activities allowed under CDBG-DR include, but are not limited to:
 - Single family and multifamily repair, rehabilitation, and/or new construction;
 - Repair and replacement of manufactured housing units;
 - Hazard mitigation;
 - Elevation;
 - Buyouts;
 - Demolition only;
 - Planning activities related to housing; and
 - Other activities associated with the recovery of housing stock impacted.

Program Design - Housing

Housing Design Standards:

- Construction standards will be based on the Florida Building Code and must meet or exceed applicable local & state requirements.
- Construction will comply with the Green Building Standard for all new construction of residential buildings and for all replacement of substantially damaged residential buildings
- For rehabilitation construction, the State will follow the Green Building Retrofit Checklist to the extent applicable to the rehabilitation work undertaken.
- Where practicable and as outlined in the DEO Housing Guidelines, components of the Weatherization Assistance Program (WAP) may be incorporated into the minimum standards.

Program Design – Infrastructure & Economy

- Other eligible activities include, but are not limited to:
 - Restoration of infrastructure (such as water and sewer facilities, streets, provision of generators, removal of debris, drainage, bridges, etc.);
 - Demolition, rehabilitation of publicly or privately owned commercial or industrial buildings, and code enforcement;
 - Economic development (such as microenterprise and small business assistance, commercial rehabilitation, and special economic development activities);
 - Public service (such as job training and employment services, healthcare, child care, and crime prevention within the 15 percent cap);
 - Beach renourishment; and
 - Eligible planning, urban environmental design, and policy-planning-management capacity building activities as listed in §570.205 within the 15 percent cap).

Program Design

Minimum & Maximum:

- Minimum award is: \$750,000
- Maximum award is:
 - (80% MID) Entire allocation available to local government
 - (20% MID) \$3,000,000

Projects must be completed within 24 months.

DEO Oversight:

- DEO will execute contracts with awarded cities within counties.
- DEO will implement monitoring and oversight standards necessary to ensure compliance with state and federal requirements.
- DEO may provide additional housing standards and guidance to detail eligibility requirements.

What is next?

- Draft Action Plan will be provided for publication on DEO's disaster recovery website, <http://floridajobs.org/news-center/public-notice>, for a fourteen (14) day public comment period beginning April 7, 2017.
- All public comments should be emailed to CDBG-DR@deo.myflorida.com . The email address is published on the website as well.
- DEO will incorporate and address public comments received into the Action Plan and submit the final Plan to HUD by April 24, 2017.

QUESTIONS





Thank You.

If you have questions or comments about this presentation or need to discuss a future project; please contact our office.



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