



NORTH CAROLINA OFFICE OF RECOVERY AND RESILIENCY

CDBG-MIT PUBLIC HEARING



October 14 - 16, 2019

Leading the state's efforts to rebuild smarter and stronger.

MEETING PURPOSE

- The federal government through the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) has provided ReBuild NC with a **new funding source** to help protect against future storms.
- ReBuild NC would like to hear from the public about the use of funds. We will finalize the plan after considering feedback.
- Tonight we will share the ReBuild NC approach to these funds and listen to community feedback.

WHAT IS MITIGATION?

Definition:

“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”

USE OF MITIGATION FUNDS

- Not for direct repair or damage recovery from storms.
- Instead, CDBG-MIT funds are looking ahead to the next event to prevent more damage from occurring and to save lives.

WHAT IS CDBG?

- Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds are provided to States for many different projects and programs.
 - The two main CDBG funding sources for ReBuild NC are Disaster Recovery and Mitigation (CDBG-DR and CDBG-MIT).

CDBG – MITIGATION

- New source of funds tied to funding for Hurricane Matthew.
 - HUD released these rules on August 30, 2019.
 - \$168 million for the most impacted areas for Hurricanes Matthew and Florence.
 - Intended to prepare impacted communities for future disasters.

CDBG – MITIGATION REQUIREMENTS

- For long-term mitigation with a few specific requirements:
 - A small portion reserved for administration and planning.
 - 50% must be used in HUD-designated most impacted areas.
 - 50% must benefit low- to moderate-income* individuals or households.
 - Activities must meet a “National Objective” like benefiting low income individuals or areas, or addressing urgent needs.
 - Activities must be on HUD’s list of eligible uses of funds.

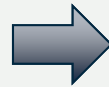
** 80% of area median income or less*

REBUILD NC PRELIMINARY APPROACH

Activity	Description
Planning	Multiple Planning Activities
Housing	Property Buyout Program
	Resilient Affordable Housing Development
Infrastructure	Resilient Infrastructure

HOUSING – BUYOUT PROGRAM

- A major priority for these funds.
 - The buyout need is greater than the funds available.
- Pays pre-storm fair market value of the property.
- Funds are also available to help move to safer areas or even to buy new home.



AFFORDABLE HOUSING DEVELOPMENT



- Resilient new housing.
 - Emphasis on affordability.
 - Located out of the floodplain.
- Clustered houses and apartments.
 - Ownership and rental in less hazardous areas.
 - Green building and resilient designs.



RESILIENT INFRASTRUCTURE

- Looking long-term to help communities stay safe during another disaster.
- Projects, activities, and programs driven by community needs.
- Examples include updates to energy grids, retention ponds, or rainwater capture.



YOUR INPUT

- Tell us what you like and don't like about the ideas you see.
- Tell us what we missed – we are looking for suggestions on how to allocate funds.
- Ask questions and comment.
 - If you would like your comment addressed formally as part of the public record, you may write in or speak during the public comment portion of the meeting.



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PUBLIC COMMENT

EMAIL PUBLIC COMMENTS TO PUBLICCOMMENTS@REBUILD.NC.GOV

NEXT STEPS

- ReBuild NC will consider all public comments while finalizing the Action Plan.
- The Action Plan will be posted for public comment.
 - There will be more public hearings once the Action Plan is posted.
- Visit rebuild.nc.gov/mitigation for updates on CDBG-MIT.



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THANK YOU!