



# Resilient Communities Infrastructure Program

## Grantee Update

2020-2021 FEDERALLY DECLARED DISASTERS

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# Resilient Communities Infrastructure Program Update

The **Resilient Communities Infrastructure Program** addresses unmet mitigation, business growth, economic and infrastructure recovery needs in impacted areas and improves resilient community planning. The goal of this program is to reduce overall risk to the population and structures from future hazard events while also reducing reliance on federal funding in future disasters.

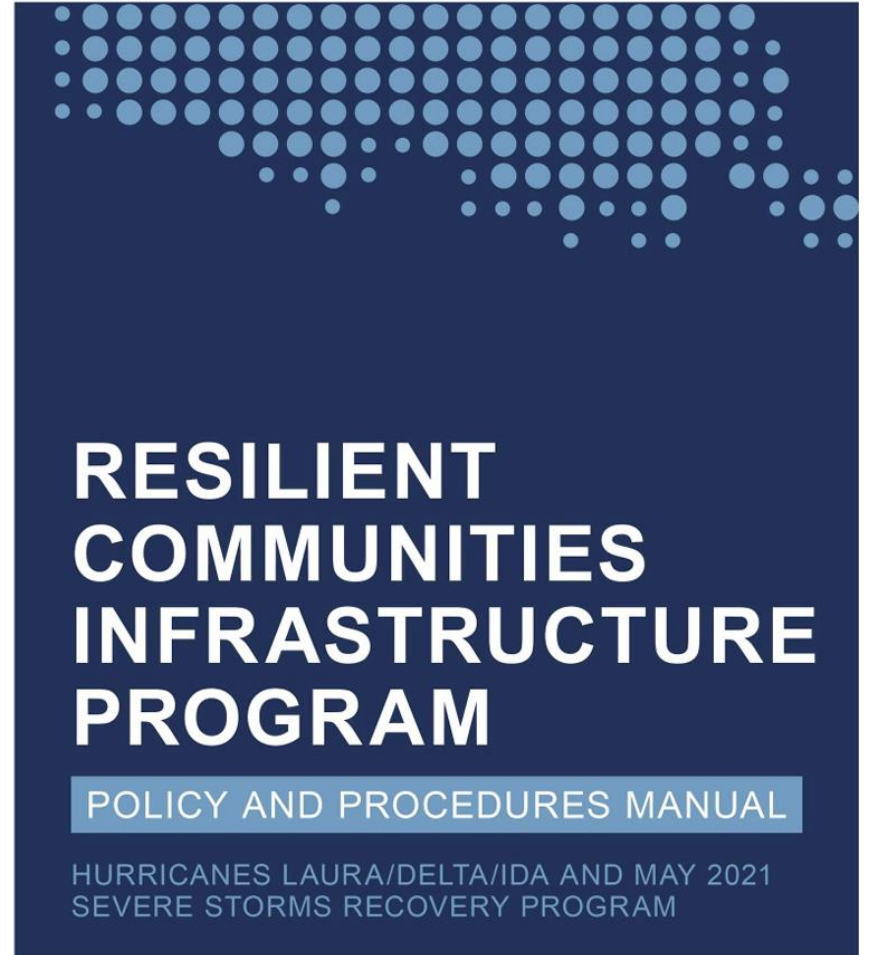
## Application Status Summary

163 projects have been proposed by 28 local grantees



# Policy Updates

- Structural and consistent language recommendations
- New to the **Policy & Procedures Manual revision** will be the removal of the “Grant Management Cap Amount” from the current policy document Exhibit E-3.
- All activity delivery costs, including grants management, will be capped at 15% of the overall project budget.
- A & E design services are considered to be direct project costs.
- Updated FFRMS Floodplain and Elevation Standards



# Answering Questions about Costs

- **The maximum amount that a grantee can charge to planning is 5% of the overall allocation.**
- Grantees may invoice costs associated with project-specific application development to planning. Application development may be considered “individual project plans” and may be reimbursable under planning for up to 5% of the project cost. These costs exclude engineering and design activities.
- Costs related to developing a project application may also be considered activity delivery costs and are reimbursable when and if the application is approved. All activity delivery costs will be capped at 15% of the overall project budget.

# Answering Questions about Costs

- Project specific soft costs for engineering services will need to be environmentally cleared separately as these are considered a direct cost of the project.
- Be prepared to answer project specific questions related to airport zones, coastal barriers and flood insurance. A map of the project site will be required.

# Summary of Cost Types

## Planning Costs

*Costs for creating a plan, including data gathering, studies, analysis, and preparation of plans. (Planning activities related to a specific project is a Project Cost.)*

Examples	Cap	Who can incur these costs
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Comprehensive plans</li><li>• Community development plans</li><li>• Development of Action Plan and Action Plan amendments</li><li>• Functional plans for housing/land use/economic development</li><li>• Mitigation plan or disaster resiliency plan</li></ul>	<b>Capped at 5% for RCIP</b>	Grantees and subrecipients.

See HUD CDBG – DR Toolkit at:  
[www.hudexchange.info/programs/cdbg-dr/toolkits/program-launch/](http://www.hudexchange.info/programs/cdbg-dr/toolkits/program-launch/)

# Summary of Cost Types

## Activity Delivery Costs (ADCs)

*Costs incurred by a grantee or subrecipient directly related to delivery of a specific CDBG-DR project or service to a beneficiary. Not required to be tied to a specific address but must be tied to delivering CDBG-DR eligible project/units.*

Examples	Cap	Who can incur these costs
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Environmental reviews (if completed by grantee or subrecipient)</li><li>• Development of program policies and procedures necessary to implement program</li><li>• Duplication of benefits review and analysis</li><li>• Completing work write-ups</li><li>• Conducting underwriting or applicant selection</li><li>• Leased office space for a single program operation</li><li>• Equipment and supplies necessary for carrying out eligible activity</li><li>• Applicant intake/eligibility screening for a specific program that does not result in eligible project or beneficiary</li></ul>	<p><b>Capped at 15% (including any Planning Costs) for RCIP</b></p>	<p>Grantees and subrecipients.</p>

# Summary of Cost Types

## Project Costs

*Direct costs of undertaking a project and which can be tied to a final cost objective and eligible activity.*

Examples	Cap	Who can incur these costs
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Environmental review (if completed by developer for review and approval by the Responsible Entity)</li> <li>• Acquisition costs</li> <li>• Construction hard costs</li> <li>• Demolition and site clearance costs</li> <li>• Project soft costs such as architecture, engineering, and permits if these costs are paid by the beneficiary</li> <li>• Developer fees, contractor overhead, and profit</li> <li>• Costs to deliver public services, including staff time and other direct costs (such as supplies)</li> <li>• Payments to homeowners for reconstruction activities</li> <li>• Loans to businesses to assist with repairs or provide working capital</li> </ul>	<p>None but all costs must be reasonable. Public service activities capped at 15% of appropriation.</p>	<p>Grantees and subrecipients, if operating the program directly. Developers and contractors. Program beneficiaries, such as individuals and businesses.</p>

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# Board Resolutions

- All grantees must provide a Board Resolution authorizing the Recovery Proposal by the parish/municipal governing body.
- The resolution must authorize the parish president, mayor or other chief elected official to sign and submit the proposal or proposal amendment.
  - Please review the Exhibit E-6 Amendment Process.
- For proposals/applications already submitted without a resolution, **this Board Resolution will be required before an application can be approved.** For future proposals, the resolution should accompany the proposal as part of the proposal submission.
- A board resolution is also required to remove a project that has been previously approved by the governing board for submission.

# Supplemental Application Instructions


- Please reference the **Supplemental Instructions** for completing the applications, as well as revisions to the **Application Review Checklist**.
- If the question is marked as ‘not required,’ then you will not be required to submit a response. However, you may include this information if it is available.
- *Note:* If there is a question that is required, but is not applicable to your specific project, please be sure to notate ‘not applicable’ in your application submittal.



 Louisiana Office of Community Development Disaster Recovery				
HURRICANES LAURA/DELTA/IDA AND MAY 2021 SEVERE STORMS RESILIENT COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE PROGRAM SUPPLEMENTAL INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING THE APPLICATION				
Section in Application	Required Information	Not Required	Comments	
<b>A.1. Applicant Information and Certifications</b>				
A.1.1.	Authorized Representative	X	Enter information for person authorized to submit the application.	
A.1.2.	Executive/Chief Elected Official	X	Enter information of Executive/Chief Elected Official of the Applicant.	
A.1.3.	Applicant	X	Enter the name of the Applicant (Public Entity).	
A.1.4.	NFIP Community Information	X	Enter the NFIP Community ID, Date Established, NFIP status and information regarding flood damage prevention ordinance.	
A.1.5.	Point of Contact	X	Enter information for Applicant's point of contact.	
A.1.6.	Project Name	X	Enter official name of project.	
<b>A.2. Problem Definition</b>				
A.2.1.	Comprehensive Description of the Problem	X	Provide a comprehensive description of the problem this project is intended to address.	
A.2.2.	Expected Results Identified	X	Provide the expected results if this project is implemented.	
A.2.3.	New/Existing Problem Identified	X	Identify if the problem is an existing problem or if the project is intended to mitigate future damage.	
A.2.4.	Previous Use of the Site Identified		X	Include this information if available.
A.2.5.	Affects on Historic Area Identified		X	Include this information if available.
A.2.6.	Related Disaster Identified	X		Select the related disaster(s).
A.2.7.	Tie-Back to the Disaster(s)	X		Explain how the problem is related to the identified disaster(s). If the proposed project does not have a tie back to the disaster but is a mitigation activity, please notify your assigned OCD analyst before continuing.
A.2.8.	Description of Resiliency efforts and/or Performance Metrics	X		Demonstrate how this project will incorporate construction standards that are more resilient to impacts of recurring natural disasters and impacts of climate change.

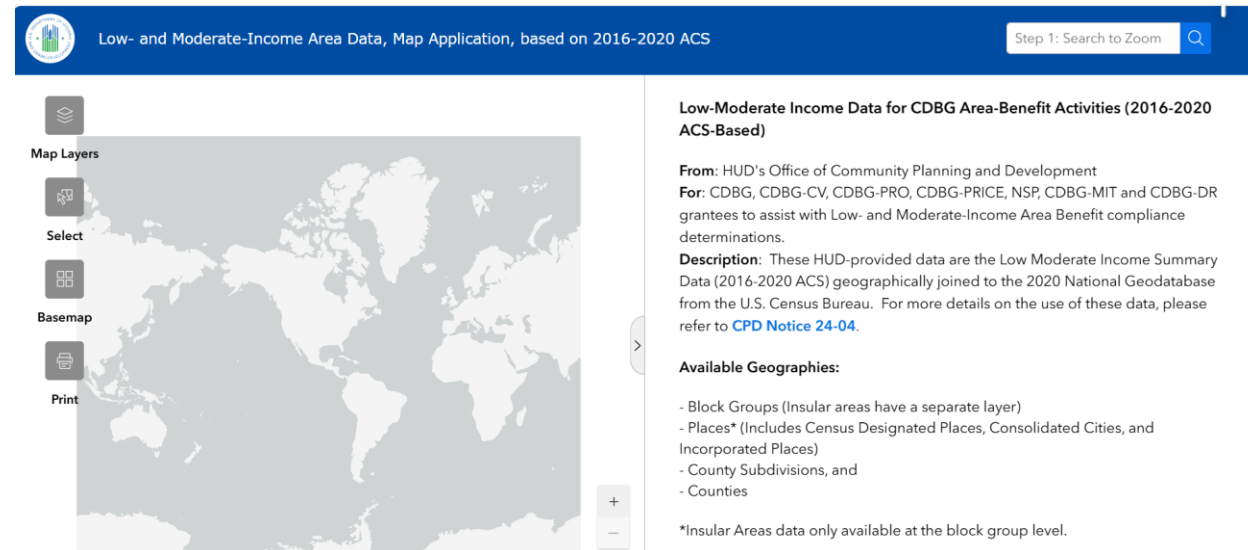
# Required Application Modifications

- This form has been modified to provide clarity on specific changes that need to be made for an application to be approved.

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<b>HURRICANES LAURA/DELTA/IDA AND MAY 2021 SEVERE STORMS RESILIENT COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE PROGRAM REQUIRED APPLICATION MODIFICATIONS</b>	
Applicant: _____	Date: _____
Project Name: _____	
Project Address: _____	
Priority Project/Alternate Project: _____	
<b>NOTES</b>	
<b>REQUIRED APPLICATION MODIFICATIONS</b>	

# LMI Guidance

- Only projects meeting the LMI national objective will be considered for approval due to the overall grant LMI percentage required by HUD.
- LOCD-DR can conduct a preliminary review of LMI Beneficiary Data if requested.
- Choosing a Benefit Area: **HUD Mapping Link now has 2016-2020 ACS data**  
[https://experience.arcgis.com/experience/279eca0222754f8a954bbf8cf995a1a3#data\\_s=id%3AdataSource\\_2-LMISD\\_layers\\_9515%3A102258](https://experience.arcgis.com/experience/279eca0222754f8a954bbf8cf995a1a3#data_s=id%3AdataSource_2-LMISD_layers_9515%3A102258)



Low- and Moderate-Income Area Data, Map Application, based on 2016-2020 ACS

Step 1: Search to Zoom

Map Layers

- Select
- Basemap
- Print

**Low-Moderate Income Data for CDBG Area-Benefit Activities (2016-2020 ACS-Based)**

**From:** HUD's Office of Community Planning and Development  
**For:** CDBG, CDBG-CV, CDBG-PRO, CDBG-PRICE, NSP, CDBG-MIT and CDBG-DR grantees to assist with Low- and Moderate-Income Area Benefit compliance determinations.

**Description:** These HUD-provided data are the Low Moderate Income Summary Data (2016-2020 ACS) geographically joined to the 2020 National Geodatabase from the U.S. Census Bureau. For more details on the use of these data, please refer to [CPD Notice 24-04](#).

**Available Geographies:**

- Block Groups (Insular areas have a separate layer)
- Places\* (Includes Census Designated Places, Consolidated Cities, and Incorporated Places)
- County Subdivisions, and
- Counties

\*Insular Areas data only available at the block group level.

# Questions?

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