

Restore Louisiana Homeowner Assistance Program Situation & Pipeline Report #118 February 17, 2025 – February 24, 2025

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Program Overview

The Restore Louisiana Homeowner Assistance Program provides grant funding to homeowners affected by 2020-21 Disasters to help with repairs, reconstruction, and/or reimburse for repairs already completed.

The program is administered by the Louisiana Office of Community Development (OCD) and funded by the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) through federal appropriations of Community Development Block Grant-Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR) funds.

	DISASTER EVENT ALLOCATIONS	DATE	AMOUNT
1	Hurricanes Laura & Delta	October 29, 2021	\$600 M
2	Hurricane Ida & May '21 Severe Storms	March 22, 2024	\$1.27 B
2	+ Hurricanes Laura & Delta	March 22, 2021	+ \$450 M
3	Hurricane Ida & May '21 Severe Storms	Sept. 30, 2022	\$800 M

Louisiana has been allocated more than \$3.1 billion for all eligible storms:

The first step in receiving program assistance is to complete the program survey. The information provided in the survey will help the program phase homeowners for assistance. The deadline to complete the survey was August 1, 2023.

Homeowner Phase Prioritization Factors

To serve the most vulnerable populations effectively in our state, the program's phased approach, which is aligned with federal guidance, ensures that the most vulnerable populations are prioritized for assistance.



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Household Income

Households with the lowest income, according to HUD AMI for their area, will be prioritized.



Homeowner Age Homeowners over the age of 62 will be prioritized.



Disabled Household Members

If a household includes a disabled member, it will be prioritized.

Located in Most-**Impacted Parishes**

Household addresses located in a mostimpacted and distressed parishes will be prioritized.



Repairs Complete or incomplete

Households with incomplete repairs will be prioritized.

The phases prioritize homeowners for assistance based on household income, homeowner age, disabled household members, whether the damaged address is in a Most-Impacted parish, and if the damaged address' repairs are complete or incomplete.



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Based on current funding limitations and federal guidance, to be placed in a phase, you must have:

(1) owned and still own the damaged home

(2) occupied the home at the time of the disaster

(3) sustained FEMA IA damages of \$3,000 or greater for repairs

(4) NOT received or expect to receive structural insurance payments greater than \$50k

APPLICATION PHASES		PHASE I	PHASE II	PHASE III	PHASE IV	PHASE V	PHASE VI
	LESS THAN 50% AMI	 					
HOUSEHOLD INCOME	BETWEEN 50% & 80% AMI		 	 			
					 	 	
GEOGRAPHY	MOST IMPACTED				 		NI (A
GEOGRAPHY	OTHER IMPACTED	N/A	N/A	N/A		 Image: A start of the start of	N/A
HOMEOWNER 62+ AND/OR HOUSEHOLD	YES	N1/A				N1/A	
MEMBER WITH DISABILITY	N0	N/A -		 	N/A	N/A	N/A
STATUS OF REPAIRS	COMPLETE	N1/A	N1/A	N/A			
STATUS OF REPAIRS	INCOMPLETE	N/A	N/A		~	 	

AMI = AREA MEDIAN INCOME

Based on survey responses and after an environmental review is completed on the damaged residence, the program invites homeowners in Phases 1 – 6 to start a program application for assistance to determine eligibility. Phase 7 eligibility is based on FEMA direct housing participation and other program eligibility requirements.

Eligibility

After the application is submitted, it is reviewed for eligibility. To be eligible for program assistance, homeowners must meet the following requirements:

- Owner occupant at time of disaster event and still maintain ownership through program final project inspection.
- Damaged address was the applicant's primary residence at the time of disaster event
- Suffered damage as a result of the 2020-21 Disasters
- Eligible structure as determined by program, including single family homes, duplexes, mobile homes and condominiums
- Located in one of 60 disaster declared parishes



Homeowner Program Steps

Below is an overview of the homeowner journey in the program, from initial survey to reimbursement and/or repair or reconstruction.



Completing the program survey is the first step in receiving program assistance. The Restore Louisiana program survey deadline was August 1, 2023. Homeowners who did not submit a survey by the deadline may not be considered for program assistance.



The federally required environmental review is the process of reviewing a project and its potential environmental impact to determine whether it meets federal, state and local environmental standards. The environmental review is conducted without an appointment and from the road or right-of-way.



Qualified homeowners who submitted a program survey and have had an environmental review of their property performed by the program will be invited to start the program application according to their phase. The deadline to complete the Restore Louisiana program application was October 31, 2023.



During a scheduled damage assessment appointment with the applicant, inspectors will use industry standard software to inspect work already completed and to determine a scope of work for prospective repairs needed to complete the home. The program will also send inspectors to test for lead-based paint in homes constructed prior to 1978.



The program will review the application and information from third-party sources to determine whether the homeowner meets eligibility requirements for the program. If the program is unable to verify information from third party sources, applicants may be required to submit supporting documentation for program review.



After steps 1-5 are completed, the homeowner will receive their calculated grant award which accounts for any duplication of benefits. The homeowner will have 60 days to either accept or appeal their award. Homeowners may also consult with their case manager during this period.



If a homeowner has remaining repairs or will require reconstruction, during the application the homeowner will choose between SOLUTION 1: Program Managed Construction or SOLUTION 2: Homeowner Managed Construction prior to closing on their grant award. Based on individual conditions at the time of application, applicants can choose the program solution which best fits their own need and capacity to complete their home repair or reconstruction project within the program allotted timeframe.

Prior to closing on their grant awards, applicants will be asked to select their contractor based on their previously chosen solution. Applicant will be able to work with their case manager throughout the contractor selection process.

Please visit the program Resources page for more information on contractor selection:

Solution 1 Reconstruction

Contractor

- Solution 2 Reconstruction
- Solution 2 Mobile Home Unit Repair Options
 Fortified Construction Checklist
- Solution 2 10 Tips for Hiring a
 Fortified Co
 - Fortified Roof Checklist

Contractor Selection is the last status where the solution chosen on the application may be changed prior to closing on the grant award.



After accepting their award, the homeowner will meet with the closing team to sign their grant agreement.



Once the grant agreement is executed and depending on the homeowner's selected solution, the homeowner will be issued a reimbursement check and/or will be provided a grant award to repair or reconstruct their home. The allotted time for project repairs/ reconstruction starts on the date the grant agreement is executed.

Program Outreach

 The Restore Louisiana Homeowner Assistance Program discontinued mobile support locations effective Friday, November 17, 2023, including the office located in Lake Charles at the Magnolia Building, 1011 Lakeshore Drive. Homeowners may continue to submit their applications to the Restore Louisiana Homeowner Assistance Program online by logging into their account at restore.la.gov or by calling the program call center at 866.735.2001 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Executive Summary

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- The Restore Louisiana Homeowner Assistance survey opened on Feb. 1, 2022. The program opened applications:
 - Phase 1 on May 11, 2022
 - Phase 2 3 on Aug. 24, 2022
 - \circ $\,$ Phase 4 5 on Nov. 28, 2022 $\,$
 - Phase 6 on Dec. 15, 2022
 - Phase 7 on Apr. 17, 2023
- Survey Submission Deadline of 8/1/2023 has passed.
- Application Submission Deadline of 10/31/2023 has passed.
- Grant Award Agreement Execution Deadline of 11/1/2024 has passed.
- As of 2/24/2025 there have been 39,328 total survey submissions. 25,785 homeowners were determined to be in Phases I – VII.
- 25,747 environmental reviews have been completed, representing 100% of the 25,749 homeowners in Phases I VII available for environmental review.
- 25,761 homeowners, from Phases I VII, have been invited to start an application. 20,802 applications have been submitted, representing 81% of the homeowners invited to start an application.
- There has been a total of 13,563 grant awards offered to homeowners totaling \$1,074,780,819.87. Of those, 13,356 homeowners have closed on their grant agreements, obligating \$1,049,272,258.95.
- 6,526 Housing projects have been completed to date.

Program Mobile and Event Outreach

- There were no planned outreach events during this reporting period.
- Table 1: Completed Outreach:

Mo./ Yr.	Outreach
2022 Jun-Dec	111
1st Qtr. '23	56
2nd Qtr. '23	113
3rd Qtr. '23	229
4th Qtr. '23	92

• No planned Mobile Outreaches scheduled to take place in the next reporting period.



Table 2: Homeowner Program Snapshot.

Restore 2020	Homeowner Prog	ram Wee	kly Snapshot		
Activity	As of 2/17/2025	Weekly Activity	As of 2/24/2025	Percentage	Total Dollars
Surveys Recorded				Survey Deadlin	e 8/1/23
Submitted Surveys	39,328	0	39,328	100%	
Working Phases (1-7) Total	25,785	0	25,785	66%	
Non-Working Phases Total	13,543	0	13,543	34%	
Environmental Reviews			·		
Environmental Reviews Available to Work	2	0	2		
Environmental Reviews Completed	25,747	0	25,747		
Home Inspections					
Home Inspections Available to Work	3	2	5		
Total Home Inspections Completed	21,862	-14	21,848		
Applications In Process				Application Dea	adline 10/31/23
Total Number of Invited Applications	25,761	0	25,761	•	
Applications Not Submitted by Deadline	4,960	-1	4,959	•	
Application Documentation Requested	0	0	0	•	
Applications Available for Grant Determination	20,801	1	• 20,802 •	100%	
Pending Grant Determination	15	9	 24 	0.1%	
Grant Determinations			99.9%	% Grant Determinations	
Zero Award	834	0	4 834	4%	
Ineligible	4,007	-5	4,002	19%	
Withdrawn	857	7	 864 	4%	
Not Closed by Deadline	1,529	-14	 1,515 	7%	
Appeals In Progress	1	-1	0		
Grant Awards Offered to Applicant	13,559	4	 13,563 	65%	\$1,074,780,819.87
Grant Awards			•	•	•
Grant Awards Obligated	13,333	23	13,356		\$1,049,272,258.95
Solution 1 & 1/3	5,087	1	5,088	1	\$441,467,930.73
Solution 2 & 2/3	7,972	22	7,994	•	\$592,021,707.79
Solution 3 Only	274	0	274		\$15,782,620.43
Disbursements				•	•
Total Disbursements	9,262	-62	9,200		\$568,219,909.78
Solution 1 & 1/3	3,461	-108	3,353		\$198,314,915.03
Solution 2 & 2/3	5,534	46	5,580		\$354,357,727.97
Solution 3 Only	267	0	267	7	\$15,547,266.78
Housing Rehab/Reconstruction Complete			·		·
Housing Rehab/Reconstruction Complete	6,449	77	6,526		
Solution 1 & 1/3	2,503	38	2,541		
Solution 2 & 2/3	3,678	39	3,717		
Solution 3 Only	268	0	268		



Table 3: Key Program Statistics: Totals to Date.





Table 8: Demographic Information for Submitted Applications.

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Self-Reported Race	Submitted Applications	Submitted Applications %	Grants Offered	Grants Offered Percentage %	Grant Awards Obligated	Obligated Percentage %
American Indian/Alaska Native	205	1.0%	156	1.2%	154	1.2%
American Indian/Alaska Native and White	126	0.6%	97	0.7%	96	0.7%
American Indian/Alaskan Native/Black-African American	286	1.4%	250	1.8%	248	1.9%
Asian	112	0.5%	93	0.7%	90	0.7%
Asian and White	24	0.1%	21	0.2%	21	0.2%
Black/African American	9,334	44.9%	8,154	60.1%	8,025	60.1%
Black/African American and White	256	1.2%	212	1.6%	208	1.6%
Decline to answer	320	1.5%	257	1.9%	253	1.9%
Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander	9	0.0%	8	0.1%	8	0.1%
Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander and White	12	0.1%	10	0.1%	10	0.1%
Other Multi-Racial	276	1.3%	226	1.7%	222	1.7%
White	4,853	23.3%	3,978	29.3%	3,921	29.4%
NOT PROVIDED	4,989	24.0%	101	0.7%	100	0.8%
Total	20,802	100%	13,563	100%	13,356	100%

Female Head of Household % of Complete Apps:

Grant

Awards

Offered

13,563

Appendix A Table 11: Submitted Applications and Grants Offered by House District.

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House District	Submitted Applications	Grant Awards Offered	House District	Submitted Applications	Grant Awards Offered	House District	Submitted Applications
1	2	1	37	361	252	73	535
2	10	7	38	20	17	74	168
3	16	9	39	30	23	75	128
4	11	6	40	58	43	76	107
5	3	2	41	42	26	77	70
6	1	0	42	70	49	78	140
7	3	1	43	13	10	79	157
8	0	0	44	36	21	80	54
9	0	0	45	9	5	81	511
10	0	0	46	55	39	82	90
11	10	8	47	367	206	83	497
12	18	12	48	43	32	84	314
13	30	22	49	108	90	85	124
14	13	8	50	129	102	86	323
15	8	7	51	1,217	801	87	260
16	46	35	52	733	478	88	74
17	43	32	53	1,225	674	89	49
18	37	29	54	1,194	659	90	100
19	9	6	55	877	612	91	184
20	3	3	56	521	348	92	318
21	0	0	57	1,291	889	93	161
22	61	37	58	721	541	94	86
23	24	16	59	75	52	95	185
24	55	34	60	309	234	96	70
25	65	40	61	49	28	97	368
26	57	36	62	87	64	98	100
27	32	20	63	62	40	99	369
28	0	0	64	35	23	100	413
29	64	47	65	32	21	101	39
30	76	47	66	25	18	102	221
31	14	7	67	39	28	103	212
32	309	212	68	42	29	104	87
33	342	216	69	17	10	105	319
34	965	585	70	30	21	Unknown	0
35	382	255	71	35	27	Total	20,802
36	258	168	72	1,045	768		

Appendix A Table 12: Submitted Applications and Grants Offered by Senate District.

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Senate District	Submitted Applications	Grant Awards Offered	Senate District	Submitted Applications	Grant Awards Offered
1	366	214	22	162	127
2	2,243	1,676	23	34	23
3	870	565	24	143	101
4	769	487	25	910	579
5	367	218	26	193	126
6	924	668	27	1,405	873
7	459	313	28	164	109
8	1,082	629	29	136	87
9	161	96	30	603	400
10	427	251	31	104	64
11	279	152	32	36	26
12	955	664	33	50	30
13	257	179	34	72	57
14	134	91	35	45	33
15	142	94	36	0	0
16	78	53	37	3	2
17	429	329	38	9	4
18	427	278	39	34	20
19	1,825	1,173	Unknown	0	0
20	3,350	1,931	Total	20,802	13,563
21	1,155	841			

Appendix B Table 13: FEMA Verified Loss (FVL) Greater than \$3,000, Submitted Applications and Grants Offered by Parish.

Damaged Parish	*> \$3K FVL	Submitted Applications	Grant Awards Offered
Acadia	710	116	83
Allen	821	153	101
Ascension	1,493	379	257
Assumption	605	278	215
Beauregard	1,631	217	156
Bienville	1	0	0
Bossier	1	0	0
Caddo	269	46	26
Calcasieu	12,504	2,185	1,377
Cameron	1,068	218	112
Catahoula	1	0	0
East Baton Rouge	1,918	412	280
East Feliciana	235	84	62
Grant	345	51	32
Iberia	460	144	122
Iberville	404	108	81
Jackson	72	11	9
Jefferson	10,086	2,091	1,279
Jefferson Davis	988	176	125
La Salle	45	0	0
LaSalle	0	11	8
Lafayette	553	112	74
Lafourche	6,984	2,212	1,359
Lincoln	98	11	9
Livingston	2,104	417	282
Morehouse	131	30	23
Natchitoches	222	26	17

Damaged Parish	*> \$3K FVL	Submitted Applications	Grant Awards Offered
Orleans	7,318	1,911	1,205
Ouachita	433	90	66
Plaquemines	876	270	166
Pointe Coupee	74	22	18
Rapides	1,258	151	94
Red River	1	0	0
Sabine	161	17	9
St. Bernard	959	144	96
St. Charles	2,754	837	556
St. Helena	672	389	313
St. James	1,448	570	434
St. John the Baptist	4,007	1,209	847
St. Landry	604	93	69
St. Martin	353	79	56
St. Mary	427	143	117
St. Tammany	2,751	451	238
Tangipahoa	4,495	1,597	1,112
Terrebonne	8,193	2,931	1,803
Union	103	16	10
Vermilion	677	118	78
Vernon	497	69	41
Washington	753	157	110
West Baton Rouge	101	22	16
West Feliciana	41	9	7
Winn	135	19	13
Other	0	0	0
Total	82,840	20,802	13,563

*Pipeline #6: FEMA Major/Severe Data Updated

*Pipeline #17 FEMA Major Severe column updated to reflect FVL>\$5K

*Pipeline #26 FVL>\$5K column updated to reflect FVL>\$3K

*Pipeline #46: FEMA Data Updated

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Appendix C Table 14: Grant Awards by Parish.

Damaged Parish	Pending Grant Determination	Grant Award Offered		Grant Awards ered Amounts (\$)	Obligated Award	Oblig	ated Award Amount (\$)
Acadia	0	83	\$	7,063,051.54	Awaru 80	\$	6,659,954.27
Allen	0	101	\$	9,744,991.19	101	\$	9,744,991.19
Ascension	0	257	\$	18,298,102.52	254	\$	17,792,729.98
Assumption	3	215	\$	17,648,193.92	234	\$	17,386,846.00
Beauregard	0	156	\$	15,641,291.00	154	\$	15,434,107.15
Caddo	0	26	\$	1,789,808.70	25	\$	1,591,421.47
Calcasieu	1	1,377	\$	126,726,708.60	1,362	\$	124,615,132.15
Cameron	0	112	\$	10,159,807.30	1,502	\$	10,040,543.94
East Baton Rouge	0	280	\$	18,299,074.62	275	\$	17,401,252.07
East Feliciana	0	62	\$	5,803,169.79	62	\$	5,803,169.79
Grant	0	32	\$	2,739,405.32	32	\$	2,739,405.32
Iberia	0	122	\$	10,142,818.98	122	\$	10,142,818.98
Iberville	0	81	\$	6,459,276.20	79	\$	6,238,273.55
Jackson	0	9	ې \$	811,647.25	9	ې \$	811,647.25
Jefferson	3	1,279	\$	71,505,621.92	1,251	\$	69,275,976.00
Jefferson Davis	0	1,279	ې \$		1,251	\$ \$	
LaSalle	0	8	ې \$	10,486,846.48 757,207.62	8	ې \$	10,345,689.55
	-	8 74			73	ې \$	757,207.62
Lafayette	1		\$	5,042,495.48	-		4,923,301.58
Lafourche	3	1,359	\$	121,913,403.89	1,338	\$	119,834,254.01
Lincoln	0	9	\$	747,865.02	9	\$	747,865.02
Livingston	0	282	\$	23,541,609.69	280	\$	23,198,935.28
Morehouse	0	23	\$	2,390,636.23	22	\$	2,122,996.73
Natchitoches	0	17	\$	1,379,907.48	17	\$	1,379,907.48
Orleans		1,205	\$	60,970,747.83	1,185	\$	58,303,542.85
Ouachita	1	66	\$	5,178,597.59	65	\$	5,168,738.04
Plaquemines	0	166	\$	13,858,593.05	162	\$	13,373,464.16
Pointe Coupee	0	18	\$	1,786,884.14	17	\$	1,736,276.67
Rapides	0	94	\$	7,597,440.37	94	\$	7,597,440.37
Sabine	0	9	\$	679,400.72	9	\$	679,400.72
St. Bernard	0	96	\$	4,788,630.61	93	\$	4,539,650.50
St. Charles	0	556	\$	44,928,704.88	551	\$	44,302,804.11
St. Helena	0	313	\$	29,583,220.56	302	\$	27,581,194.69
St. James	0	434	\$	34,646,251.86	430	\$	33,994,924.54
St. John the Baptist	1	847	\$	59,878,317.17	836	\$	59,092,953.99
St. Landry	0	69	\$	5,810,486.90	68	\$	5,783,851.07
St. Martin	0	56	\$	4,844,896.02	56	\$	4,844,896.02
St. Mary	1	117	\$	9,997,989.72	114	\$	9,760,644.87
St. Tammany	1	238	\$	12,928,120.54	233	\$	12,445,924.56
Tangipahoa	2	1,112	\$	93,406,778.63	1,097	\$	91,558,925.91
Terrebonne	2	1,803	\$	169,630,895.90	1,776	\$	166,144,285.04
Union	0	10	\$	706,931.80	10	\$	706,931.80
Vermilion	0	78	\$	6,883,412.09	75	\$	6,215,183.84
Vernon	0	41	\$	3,657,224.66	41	\$	3,657,224.66
Washington	0	110	\$	10,541,092.68	105	\$	9,608,895.05
West Baton Rouge	0	16	\$	1,396,932.23	16	\$	1,396,932.23
West Feliciana	0	7	\$	483,921.76	7	\$	483,921.76
Winn	0	13	\$	1,502,407.42	12	\$	1,305,825.12
UNKNOWN	0	0		\$ -	0	\$	-
Total	24	13,563	\$	1,074,780,819.87	13,356		\$1,049,272,258.95