

# Restore Louisiana Homeowner Assistance Program Situation & Pipeline Report #8 January 9, 2022 – January 16, 2023

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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.

## 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.



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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you must have:
(1) owned and still own the damaged home
(2) occupied the home at the time of the disaster
(3) sustained major/severe damage (per FEMA)
(4) NOT received or expect to receive structural insurance payments greater than \$25k

Based on current funding limitations and federal guidance, to be placed in a phase,

APPLICATION PHASES		PHASE I	PHASE II	PHASE III	PHASE IV	PHASE V	PHASE VI
	LESS THAN 50% AMI	<ul> <li></li> </ul>					
HOUSEHOLD INCOME	BETWEEN 50% & 80% AMI		<ul> <li></li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Image: A start of the start of</li></ul>			
	GREATER THAN 80% AMI				<ul> <li>Image: A start of the start of</li></ul>	<ul> <li>Image: A start of the start of</li></ul>	<ul> <li>Image: A start of the start of</li></ul>
	MOST IMPACTED	N/A	N/A	N/A	<ul> <li></li> </ul>		
GEOGRAPHY	OTHER IMPACTED					<ul> <li>Image: A start of the start of</li></ul>	N/A
HOMEOWNER 62+ AND/OR HOUSEHOLD	YES	N/A	<ul> <li></li> </ul>		- N/A	N/A	N/A
MEMBER WITH DISABILITY	NO			<ul> <li></li> </ul>			
STATUS OF REPAIRS	COMPLETE	N/A	N1/A	N1/A			<ul> <li></li> </ul>
	INCOMPLETE		N/A	N/A	<ul> <li></li> </ul>	<ul> <li></li> </ul>	

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 complete a program application for assistance to determine eligibility.

Homeowners can receive in-person support at mobile locations located throughout impacted areas to assist in completing surveys or applications. The calendar of mobile locations is posted at <u>restore.la.gov/events</u>.

#### 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 application period
- 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.



Completing the program survey is the first step in receiving program assistance and can be completed on any smart phone, tablet or mobile device at **restore.la.gov**, or by calling the program call center at 866.735.2001.



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 complete the program application according to their phase. The application may be completed on any mobile device, such as a smart phone, computer or tablet, by accessing the link provided in the email sent by the program.



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.

#### 5 DAMAGE & LEAD ASSESSMENT

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.



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.



#### CONTRACTOR SELECTION

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
- Solution 2 Reconstruction
   Solution 2 10 Tips for Hiring a Contractor
- Solution 2 Mobile Home Unit Repair
   Options
- Options

   Fortified Construction Checklist
- 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.

REIMBURSEMENT,
REPAIR, RECONSTRUCTION

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.

#### Executive Summary

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- The Restore Louisiana Homeowner Assistance survey opened on Feb. 1, 2022. The program opened applications:
  - o 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
- As of 01/16/23, survey submissions increased by 291 from the previous week, making the total submissions 11,709. 5,242 homeowners were determined to be in Phases I VI.
- 3,969 environmental reviews have been completed, representing 76% of the 5,242 homeowners in Phases I – VI.
- 3,969 homeowners have been invited to complete applications from Phase I VI. 2,450 applications have been completed, representing 62% of the homeowners invited to complete an application.
- There has been a total of 1,201 grant awards offered to homeowners totaling \$91,970,301.80.
   Of those, 232 homeowners have closed on their grant agreements, obligating \$18,842,207.80.

#### Program Outreach

• The Program completed 4 outreach event(s) during this reporting period.

#### Table 1: Completed Outreach Events

Month/ Year	# of Outreach and Mobile Events
Jun-22	4
Jul-22	2
Aug-22	11
Sep-22	13
Oct-22	14
Nov-22	12
Dec-22	9
Jan-23	4

- Planned outreach/mobile events schedule to take place in the next reporting period:
  - $\circ~$  1/17, So. LA Comm. College, 331 Dickson Rd. Houma, 10 am 6 pm
  - $\circ~$  1/18, So. LA Comm. College, 331 Dickson Rd. Houma, 10 am 6 pm
  - $\circ~$  1/19, So. LA Comm. College, 331 Dickson Rd. Houma, 10 am 6 pm
  - $\circ$  1/20, So. LA Comm. College, 331 Dickson Rd. Houma, 10 am 6 pm

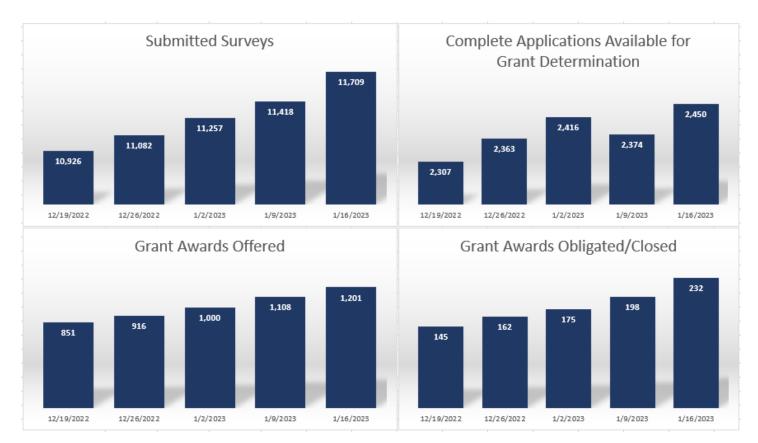


# Table 2: Homeowner Program Snapshot

Restore 2020 Homeowner Program Weekly Snapshot					
Activity	As of 01/09/23	Weekly Activity	As of 01/16/23	Percentage	Total Dollars
Surveys Recorded					
Total Surveys Recorded	13,034	341	13,375		
Non-submitted Surveys	1,616	50	1,666		
Submitted Surveys	11,418	291	11,709	100%	
Working Phases (1-6) Total	5,073	169	5,242	45%	
Phase I	3,731	119	3,850	33%	
Phase II	338	12	350	3%	
Phase III	408	25	433	4%	
Phase IV	533	11	544	5%	
Phase V Phase VI	4 59	0	4 61	0% 1%	
Non-Working Phases Total	6,345	122	6,467	55%	
Environmental Reviews	0,345	122	0,407	JJ/8	
Environmental Reviews Available to Work	1241	32	1,273		
Environmental Reviews Completed	3,832	137	3,969		
Home Inspections:	-,		-,		
Home Inspections Available to Work	572	-68	504		
Total Home Inspections Completed	1,802	144	1,946		
Applications In Process	,		,		
Total Number of Invited Applications	3,834	135	3,969		
Applications Not Available for Grant Determination	1,460	59	1,519		
Applications Available for Grant Determination	2,374	76	2,450	100%	
Pending Grant Determination	1,088	-24	1,064	43%	
Grant Determinations	,		57%	% Grant	
	[			Determinations	
Zero Award	27	2	29	1.2%	
Ineligible	113	1	114	4.7%	
Withdrawn	38	4	42	1.7%	
Appeals In Progress	14	-2	12	40.0%	<u> </u>
Grant Awards Offered to Applicant	1,108	93	1,201	49.0%	\$ 91,970,301.80
Grant Awards	T T		1		
Grant Awards Obligated	198	34	232		\$ 18,842,207.80
Solution 1 & 1/3	105	16	121		\$9,986,002.87
Solution 2 & 2/3	89	18	107		\$8,647,320.18
Solution 3 Only	4	0	4		\$208,884.75
Disbursements	I I		T		40.000 -00.00
Total Disbursements	56	19	75		\$2,398,796.92
Solution 1 & 1/3	40	13	53		\$808,734.74
Solution 2 & 2/3	13	6	19		\$1,486,579.21
Solution 3 Only	3	0	3		\$103,482.97
Housing Rehab/Reconstruction Complete					
Housing Rehab/Reconstruction Complete	21	6	27		
Solution 1 & 1/3	5	0	5		
Solution 2 & 2/3 Solution 3 Only	13 3	6	19 3		



# Table 3: Key Program Statistics: Totals to Date



Appendix A Table 11: Submitted Surveys and Applications Available for Grant Determination by House District

House District	Submitted Surveys	Completed Applications
1	1	
2	1	
3	2	1
4	1	
5	1	
10	1	
11	3	1
12	6	1
13	7	1
14	7	
15	2	
16	10	1
17	11	2
18	8	2
19	6	
20	2	
21	3	
22	16	4
23	5	1
24	24	5
25	32	7
26	20	2
27	17	8
28	1	
29	17	5
30	34	8
31	6	2
32	165	43
33	224	56
34	1123	223
35	315	69
36	288	45
37	294	69
38	3	
39	4	1
40	15	4

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House District	Submitted Surveys	Completed Applications
41	13	2
42	28	2
43	5	
44	12	1
45	5	
46	9	
47	325	90
48	16	
49	24	4
50	47	6
51	797	205
52	457	108
53	889	258
54	905	248
55	423	86
56	307	62
57	895	175
58	295	65
59	10	
60	58	9
61	17	3
62	21	6
63	8	
64	10	1
65	11	
66	8	1
67	13	2
68	26	6
69	9	1
70	13	2
71	18	1
72	585	88
73	314	61
74	64	6

House	Submitted	Completed
District	Surveys	Applications
75	45	3
76	16	4
77	29	4
78	34	12
79	42	8
80	19	1
81	284	65
82	37	6
83	144	35
84	165	38
85	30	3
86	185	27
87	61	8
88	25	6
89	15	5
90	25	2
91	48	8
92	127	25
93	41	9
94	20	2
95	87	25
96	16	2
97	76	16
98	21	5
99	83	7
100	82	16
101	23	6
102	49	9
103	67	15
104	16	2
105	140	15
Unknown	345	1
Total	11,709	2,450

Appendix A Table 12: Submitted Surveys and Applications Available for Grant Determination by Senate District.

Senate District	Submitted Surveys	Completed Applications
1	86	15
2	1050	241
3	182	29
4	180	30
5	102	20
6	528	88
7	100	15
8	464	94
9	56	9
10	109	22
11	106	22
12	489	63
13	129	29
14	47	10
15	48	9
16	43	7
17	181	33
18	161	43
19	1,165	215
20	2,490	707

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Senate District	Submitted Surveys	Completed Applications
21	554	95
22	43	4
23	15	
24	32	5
25	856	189
26	62	11
27	1,515	301
28	66	17
29	50	10
30	346	97
31	34	5
32	10	3
33	16	1
34	22	3
35	20	6
36	1	
38	3	1
39	3	
Unknown	345	1
Total	11,709	2,450

# Appendix B Table 13: FEMA Major/Severe, Submitted Surveys and Completed Applications by Parish

Damaged Parish	*FEMA Major Severe	Submitted Survey	Completed Application
Acadia	169	36	16
Allen	286	65	17
Ascension	572	99	24
Assumption	228	57	6
Beauregard	564	135	33
Caddo	87	6	1
Calcasieu	5,602	2,248	455
Cameron	770	233	64
East Baton Rouge	769	155	27
East Feliciana	65	20	7
Grant	138	13	4
Iberia	111	37	6
Iberville	154	38	8
Jackson	20	5	1
Jefferson	4,250	750	147
Jefferson Davis	332	98	24
La Salle	5		
Lafayette	123	33	1
Lafourche	4,629	1,447	360
Lincoln	35	4	1
Livingston	891	210	51
Morehouse	39	9	1
Natchitoches	65	5	1
Orleans	2,302	461	74

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Damaged Parish	*FEMA Major Severe	Submitted Survey	Completed Application	
Ouachita	109	25	2	
Plaquemines	440	145	19	
Pointe Coupee	18	6	1	
Rapides	421	69	16	
Sabine	36	5		
St. Bernard	309	29	5	
St. Charles	1,487	454	92	
St. Helena	241	205	30	
St. James	732	282	56	
St. John the Baptist	2,635	925	175	
St. Landry	133	21	5	
St. Martin	80	19		
St. Mary	156	51	6	
St. Tammany	1,190	113	18	
Tangipahoa	2,005	956	148	
Terrebonne	5,208	2,098	528	
Union	35	2	1	
Vermilion	156	40	7	
Vernon	174	22	7	
Washington	222	52	4	
West Baton Rouge	37	2	1	
West Feliciana	13	1		
Winn	41	4		
Other Parishes		19		
Total	38,084	11,709	2,450	

\*Pipeline #6: FEMA Major/Severe Data Updated



# Appendix C Table 14: Grant Awards by Parish

Damaged Parish	Pending Grant Determination	Grant Award Offered Count	rant Awards ed Amounts (\$)	Obligated Award Count	Obligated Award Amount (\$)	
Acadia	4	12	\$ 832,760.56	2	\$	130,215.64
Allen	5	12	\$ 836,205.01	4	\$	278,227.71
Ascension	5	17	\$ 1,047,480.07	4	\$	198,915.95
Assumption	4	2	\$ 163,394.26	1	\$	81,280.15
Beauregard	10	21	\$ 2,379,623.48	4	\$	584,959.23
Caddo	0	1	\$ 29,280.38			
Calcasieu	183	232	\$ 19,620,508.35	61	\$	5,946,605.87
Cameron	25	34	\$ 3,414,461.29	4	\$	438,896.09
East Baton Rouge	15	11	\$ 412,860.98	5	\$	192,979.45
East Feliciana	3	4	\$ 252,954.62	1	\$	78,999.29
Grant	2	2	\$ 76,453.99			
Iberia	1	5	\$ 525,049.98	2	\$	295,547.01
Iberville	3	4	\$ 300,148.56	1	\$	32,107.70
Jackson	0	1	\$ 85,000.00			
Jefferson	75	55	\$ 3,150,346.05	13	\$	541,337.97
Jefferson Davis	9	13	\$ 1,284,485.15			
Lafayette	0	1	\$ 59,985.19			
Lafourche	181	153	\$ 12,242,693.52	18	\$	1,637,903.01
Lincoln	0	1	\$ 113,948.43		-	
Livingston	21	25	\$ 1,906,154.07	9	\$	611,594.05
Natchitoches	0	1	\$ 25,455.62	1	\$	25,455.62
Orleans	42	23	\$ 820,695.37	4	\$	228,337.94
Ouachita	0	2	\$ 306,062.58			
Plaquemines	4	14	\$ 1,067,070.84			
Pointe Coupee	0	1	\$ 53,192.00			
Rapides	7	7	\$ 595,563.36	1	\$	162,635.00
St. Bernard	0	4	\$ 56,727.10	1	\$	36,126.19
St. Charles	49	38	\$ 2,244,976.72	7	\$	441,567.17
St. Helena	3	27	\$ 2,297,236.93	10	\$	924,345.46
St. James	33	23	\$ 1,718,314.43	9	\$	663,759.12
St. John the Baptist	82	84	\$ 5,616,515.57	20	\$	1,332,175.20
St. Landry	2	3	\$ 222,785.90			
St. Mary	1	4	\$ 277,339.95			
St. Tammany	6	10	\$ 535,094.77	1	\$	52,100.00
Tangipahoa	61	75	\$ 5,916,354.68	18	\$	1,540,896.33
Terrebonne	225	264	\$ 20,030,992.17	28	\$	2,150,329.30
Union	0	1	\$ 73,824.56			
Vermilion	2	4	\$ 359,165.52	2	\$	160,938.08
Vernon	1	6	\$ 784,542.89	1	\$	73,973.27
Washington	0	3	\$ 200,267.16			
West Baton Rouge	0	1	\$ 34,329.71			
Total	1,064	1,201	\$ 91,970,301.77	232	\$	18,842,207.80