

# Request for Release of Funds and Certification

U.S. Department of Housing  
and Urban Development  
Office of Community Planning  
and Development

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This form is to be used by Responsible Entities and Recipients (as defined in 24 CFR 58.2) when requesting the release of funds, and requesting the authority to use such funds, for HUD programs identified by statutes that provide for the assumption of the environmental review responsibility by units of general local government and States. Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 36 minutes per response, including the time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information. This agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless that collection displays a valid OMB control number.

## Part 1. Program Description and Request for Release of Funds (to be completed by Responsible Entity)

1. Program Title(s) <i>Community Development Block Grant - DR</i>	2. HUD/State Identification Number <i>B-13-DS-34-0001</i>	3. Recipient Identification Number (optional) <i>SRP0043415</i>
4. OMB Catalog Number(s) <i>14.269</i>	5. Name and address of responsible entity <i>Stacy Bonnaffons, Assistant Commissioner, Sandy Recovery, New Jersey Department of Community Affairs 101 South Broad Street, PO Box 800, Trenton, NJ 08625-0800</i>	
6. For information about this request, contact (name & phone number) <i>Stacy Bonnaffons, (609) 292-6420</i>		
8. HUD or State Agency and office unit to receive request <i>Disaster Recovery and Special Issues Division Office of Block Grant Assistance Department of Housing and Urban Development 451 Seventh St. SW, Room 7272 Washington, DC 20410</i>	7. Name and address of recipient (if different than responsible entity)	

**The recipient(s) of assistance under the program(s) listed above requests the release of funds and removal of environmental grant conditions governing the use of the assistance for the following**

9. Program Activity(ies)/Project Name(s) <i>SRP0043415</i>	10. Location (Street address, city, county, State) <i>34 North Maryland Avenue (Units 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5), Atlantic City, Atlantic County, New Jersey</i>
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11. Program Activity/Project Description

*The proposed action involves the rehabilitation of five residential units (Units 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5) within a multifamily structure (5 or more units) and abandonment of the structure's basement, which is below Base Flood Elevation, located at 34 North Maryland Avenue, in Atlantic City, Atlantic County, New Jersey (Block 301, Lot 22). The multifamily structure, built between 1921 and 1933 according to a review of historical aerial photographs and Sanborn Fire Insurance maps, contains a total of five units. Elevation of the multifamily structure is not proposed. Elevation of the building is not included in the project activity as the applicant proposes to abandon the existing basement, which is below Base Flood Elevation, by filling it with approximately 222 cubic yards of engineered fill. Before any work commences, the height of the first floor must be measured. If the measurement determines that the first floor is not 1 foot above the Base Flood Elevation, then actual elevation is needed (rather than just filling the basement), and additional environmental review would be required. The parcel on which the multifamily structure is located occupies approximately 0.0429 acres of land based on property tax records. The scope of work includes rehabilitation of the common area including replacement of natural gas boiler, water heater, batt insulation, polyethylene vapor barrier, hazardous material remediation (lead-based paint abatement per lead-based paint survey report), replacement of drywall, baseboard, underlayment, vinyl floor covering, exterior door, lockset and deadbolt, sealing/priming/painting of walls, ceilings, baseboards, door/window trim, jamb, door slab, replacement of bitumen roof, rigid foam insulation board, aluminum gutter/downspout and flashing. Rehabilitation activities for Units 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5 include replacement of I-joists, sheathing, batt insulation, baseboard heat, foam pipe insulation, backflow preventers, water supply line, carbon monoxide detectors, outlets, switches, smoke detectors, breaker panels and circuit breakers, rewiring with copper wire, coaxial television cables, grounding rods, meter masts for overhead power, telephone backerboards, hazardous waste/mold cleaning, hazardous material remediation (asbestos-containing materials abatement and lead-based paint abatement per survey reports), removal and replacement of drywall, baseboard and casing, replacement of vinyl floor covering and underlayment, replacement of exterior doors and knobs, interior doors and knobs, replacement of vinyl windows, sealing/priming/painting of walls, ceilings, baseboards, door slab, and door/window trim, jambs, and openings, replacement of kitchen sinks, sink faucets, range hoods, ductwork, countertops, cabinetry, backsplashes, kitchen appliances, light fixtures, ceiling fans, toilets and seats, bathroom fixtures, tubs/showers and faucets, bathroom ventilation fan/light/heater, carpets and carpet pads and roughing in plumbing,. The total estimated cost of repair is \$376,343.43 and is considered major rehabilitation as the cost of repair is greater than 50 percent of the pre-disaster market value of the entire structure, \$100,000.00, as reported on the tax record..*

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**Part 2. Environmental Certification (to be completed by responsible entity)**

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**With reference to the above Program Activity(ies)/Project(s), I, the undersigned officer of the responsible entity, certify that:**

1. The responsible entity has fully carried out its responsibilities for environmental review, decision-making and action pertaining to the project(s) named above.
2. The responsible entity has assumed responsibility for and complied with and will continue to comply with, the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, as amended, and the environmental procedures, permit requirements and statutory obligations of the laws cited in 24 CFR 58.5; and also agrees to comply with the authorities in 24 CFR 58.6 and applicable State and local laws.
3. The responsible entity has assumed responsibility for and complied with and will continue to comply with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act, and its implementing regulations 36 CFR 800, including consultation with the State Historic Preservation Officer, Indian tribes and Native Hawaiian organizations, and the public.
4. After considering the type and degree of environmental effects identified by the environmental review completed for the proposed project described in Part 1 of this request, I have found that the proposal did ☐ did not ☐ require the preparation and dissemination of an environmental impact statement.
5. The responsible entity has disseminated and/or published in the manner prescribed by 24 CFR 58.43 and 58.55 a notice to the public in accordance with 24 CFR 58.70 and as evidenced by the attached copy (copies) or evidence of posting and mailing procedure.
6. The dates for all statutory and regulatory time periods for review, comment or other action are in compliance with procedures and requirements of 24 CFR Part 58.
7. In accordance with 24 CFR 58.71(b), the responsible entity will advise the recipient (if different from the responsible entity) of any special environmental conditions that must be adhered to in carrying out the project.

As the duly designated certifying official of the responsible entity, I also certify that:

8. I am authorized to and do consent to assume the status of Federal official under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 and each

provision of law designated in the 24 CFR 58.5 list of NEPA-related authorities insofar as the provisions of these laws apply to the HUD responsibilities for environmental review, decision-making and action that have been assumed by the responsible entity.

9. I am authorized to and do accept, on behalf of the recipient personally, the jurisdiction of the Federal courts for the enforcement of all these responsibilities, in my capacity as certifying officer of the responsible entity.

Signature of Certifying Officer of the Responsible Entity	Title of Certifying Officer
	Date signed

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Address of Certifying Officer

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**Part 3. To be completed when the Recipient is not the Responsible Entity**

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The recipient requests the release of funds for the programs and activities identified in Part 1 and agrees to abide by the special conditions, procedures and requirements of the environmental review and to advise the responsible entity of any proposed change in the scope of the project or any change in environmental conditions in accordance with 24 CFR 58.71(b).

Signature of Authorized Officer of the Recipient	Title of Authorized Officer
	Date signed

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