

# **CDBG-Disaster Recovery (HURRICANE IRENE)**

## **Funding and Method of Distribution**

The State of New Jersey was allocated \$15,598,506 in CDBG-DR funds for the purpose of assisting the most impacted and distressed communities following flooding as a result of Hurricane Irene. These funds are to address unmet needs in the areas of housing, economic recovery and municipal infrastructure.

New Jersey is required to dedicate 80% of its funding towards projects in Passaic County. Passaic County projects will be prioritized based upon needs and supporting FEMA data, which will be used for the formal application in NJ SAGE. The application process for Passaic County will be determined by need and feasibility.

The remaining 20% is available for recovery efforts in all other counties that received presidential disaster declarations. Those counties include: Atlantic, Bergen, Burlington, Camden, Cape May, Cumberland Essex, Gloucester, Hudson, Hunterdon, Mercer, Middlesex, Monmouth, Morris, Ocean, Salem, Somerset, Sussex, Union and Warren.

A technical assistance workshop will be provided once the Action Plan is approved by HUD.

- **Pre-application:** A Unit of Local Government must first complete a pre-application and submit for review and approval before a full SAGE application can be started. The Department will invite applicants that have successfully completed the pre-application to submit a full SAGE application. A copy of the pre-application is in Appendix IV.
- **SAGE Full Application:** Once a Pre-application is approved by DCA, the applicant (unit of local government) must formally enter the project information into a full SAGE application to be considered for funding. All applications will be reviewed, scored and ranked by DCA using the CDBG-DR Application Review Form found in Appendix III.

## **Distribution of Allocation**

Based on HUD’s unmet needs information and forums held with the communities in Passaic County, DCA will allocate CDBG-DR funds to the activities as listed in the table below. DCA may transfer funds (including those recaptured from cancellations or closeout balances and program income) among funding categories based on demand for assistance demonstrated by the number of pre-applications or applications received.

**Administration and Technical Assistance**

The State will use up to a maximum of 5% of the allocation (\$779,925) for administration and technical assistance to ensure the appropriate and compliant management of the program over the next five years. The balance of \$14,818,581 is allocated for of housing, housing buyouts, infrastructure improvements and economic revitalization as outlined below in the Distribution of Allocation Table.

Distribution of Allocation Table

<b>Grant Activities</b>	<b>National Objective</b>	<b>Passaic County 80%</b>	<b>Competitive Statewide 20%</b>	<b>Percent of Total Funding</b>	<b>Total Funding</b>
<b>Housing Rehabilitation</b>	LM/UR	\$233,271	\$500,000	4.7%	\$733,271
<b>Home Buyouts &amp; FEMA Match</b>	LM/UR	\$9,304,311	\$1,500,000	69.3%	\$10,804,311
<b>Infrastructure Improvements</b>	LM/UR	\$2,317,283	\$500,000	18.0%	\$2,817,283
<b>Economic Revitalization</b>	LM	\$0	\$463,716	3.0%	\$463,716
<b>Subtotals</b>		<b>\$11,854,865</b>	<b>\$2,963,716</b>	<b>95.0%</b>	<b>\$14,818,581</b>
<b>State Administration</b>		\$623,940	\$155,985	<b>5.0%</b>	<b>\$779,925</b>
<b>Totals</b>		<b>\$12,478,805</b>	<b>\$3,119,701</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>\$15,598,506</b>