



# **Community Development Block Grant Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR) 2023**

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# BACKGROUND



## **Purpose**

The City of Little Rock has been notified of an \$20,895,000 award from the Disaster Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2025 (Public Law 118-158) in disaster recovery and mitigation funding for the March 31, 2023, tornado. The Universal Notice is located at: <https://www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/FR-2025-01-08/pdf/2024-31621.pdf>.

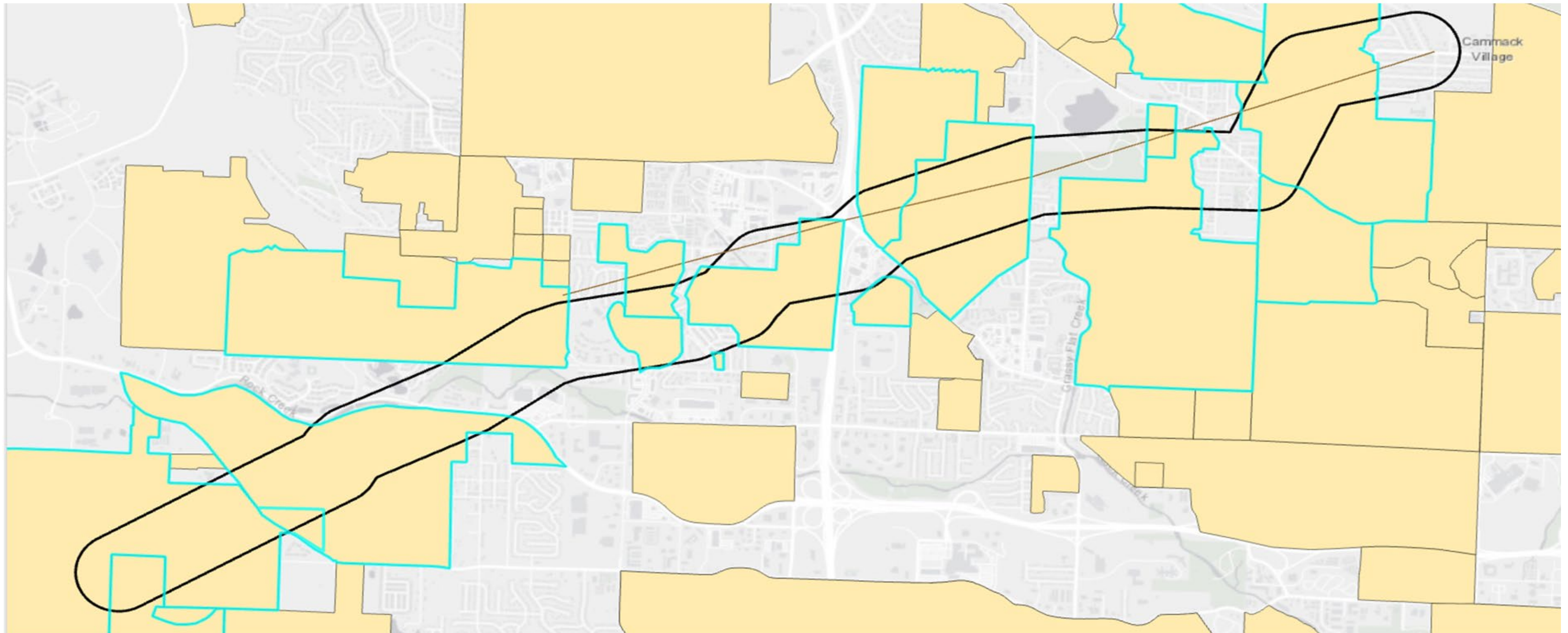
## **Community Development Block Grant Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR) Funds:**

- Are flexible funds that allow grantees to deploy funding to carry out a wide range of recovery activities.
- Prioritize low- and moderate-income (LMI) persons and geographies in most impacted and distressed (MID) areas.
- Address remaining unmet recovery needs and mitigation.

# BACKGROUND



## March 31, 2023 - Tornado Track through Little Rock





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## **Areas effected by the tornado**

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**ANDOVER SQUARE  
BRECKENRIDGE 1ST  
BRISTOL COMMON  
CAPITAL LAKES ESTATES  
CITIZENS OF WEST PULASKI COUNTY  
COLONY WEST  
FOXCROFT  
KINGWOOD NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOC  
LEAWOOD  
MERIWETHER  
PARKWAY PLACE  
PLEASANTREE RECREATION ASSOC.  
ST. CHARLES  
STURBRIDGE  
WALNUT VALLEY  
WOODLAND HILLS/ASPEN HIGHLAND**





# Impacted Subdivisions Listing

## Legend



City Boundary



Affected Neighborhoods

## Affected Subdivisions

AGAPE COUNTRY SUBDIVISION

ANDOVER SQUARE

ASPEN HIGHLANDS ADDITION

BELLEVUE

BERKLEY REPLAT

BONNIE BRAE

BRANTON'S SUBDIVISION

BRECKENRIDGE BUSINESS ADDITION

BRISTOW SUBDIVISION

BURNETT

BURROWS GRAHAM COMMERCIAL SUBDIVISION

CALAIS SUBDIVISION

CAMMACK WOODS

CAPITOL LAKES ESTATES

CEDAR RIDGE ADDITION

CHARNLEY ADDITION

CLEMONS ADDITION

COLONY WEST

COLONY WEST COMMERCIAL

EVERGREEN FARMS

FOXCROFT

GAMBLE PLAZA

GIBBY

GLIDE XPRESS

GREEN MTN COND HPR

GREYROCK SUB

HARVEY

HERITAGE HOUSE APARTMENTS SUBDIVISION

HIGHLAND RIDGE APARTMENTS

JAY SMITH

JEFFERSON HEIGHTS

KANIS RIDGE ESTATES

KINGS POINTE ADDITION

KINGSROW ADDITION

KINGWOOD PLACE

LAKE SIDE HEIGHTS ADDITION

LEAWOOD MOUNTAIN

LEXINGTON PARK

LINDENWOOD ADDN

LITTLE ROCK RETIREMENT RESIDENCE

LUDINGTON HEIGHTS

MARTHA'S PLACE SUB

MEREDITH MANOR ADDITION

MOOPER WOODS

MORRIS COMMERCIAL

NAPA VALLEY ADDITION

OLD FORGE

PALISADE ESTATE

PARK RUBY SUBDIVISION

PARKWAY PLACE

PARKWAY VILLAGE

PINEROCK ADDITION

PINNACLE POINT

PLEASANT HILLS TOTAL LIVING COMMUNITY

POWELL

REFORM SCHOOL

RESERVOIR TERRACE ADDITION

RESERVOIR TOWNHOUSE ADDITION

RICKS SUBDIVISION

RIFFEL AND RHOTON FOREST PARK HIGHLAND

ROCK CREEK COURTS

SACH'S SUBURBAN TRACTS

SANFORD ADDITION

SHADOW LAKE SUBDIVISION

SHERATON PARK

SPRINGFIELD HOLDINGS

ST CHARLES ADDITION

STURBRIDGE

SUMMIT RIDGE

TURTLE CREEK SUBDIVISION

WALNUT HILL SUBDIVISION

WALNUT VALLEY

WARREN HOUSE SUBDIVISION

WARREN TERRACE SUBDIVISION

WATERGATE

WEST MARKHAM PARKWAY ADDITION

WILTON HGTS

WOODLAND HILLS

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# CDBG-DR Allocation Process



## Steps

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**CONDUCT PUBLIC MEETING, STAKEHOLDER MEETING, & SURVEY NEEDS**

**DEVELOP UNMET NEED ASSESSMENT AND ACTION PLAN**

- **30-Day Public Comment Period**

**CITY OF LITTLE ROCK BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

- **Takes Action on Recommended Uses of Funding**
- **Approves Submission of CDBG-DR Action Plan to HUD**

**U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT (HUD)**

- **Approves CDBG-DR Action Plan**

# Surveys



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HOUSING & NEIGHBORHOOD PROGRAMS

## PUBLIC HEARING

# TORNADO RELIEF DISASTER RECOVERY

The City of Little Rock is beginning the planning process for the 2023 Community Development Block Grant Disaster Recovery Action Plan. The city will have access to \$20,895,000 in funds for this disaster.

We want YOUR input on unmet recovery needs related to the March 31, 2023, tornado.

APRIL 3, 2025 | 6:30 PM

ASAPE CHURCH  
701 MARA VALLEY DRIVE  
LITTLE ROCK, AR 72211



WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU!  
SCAN QR CODE TO COMPLETE THE SURVEY.



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## AUDIENCIA PÚBLICA

# RECUPERACIÓN DE DESASTRES POR TORNADOS

La ciudad de Little Rock está iniciando el proceso de planificación del Plan de Acción para la Recuperación ante Desastres de la Subvención Global para el Desarrollo Comunitario de 2023. La ciudad tendrá acceso a \$20,895,000 en fondos para este desastre.

Queremos SU opinión sobre las necesidades de recuperación no satisfechas relacionadas con el tornado del 31 de marzo de 2023.

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# CDBG-DR Allocation Process



## Eligible Activities

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CDBG-DR funds can be used for a wide range of disaster recovery and mitigation activities, including:

- Housing
- Infrastructure
- Economic revitalization
- Public services
- Planning

# CDBG-DR Allocation Process



## Common Housing Activities

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- Construction of New Housing
- Reconstruction of Existing Housing
- Rehabilitation of Existing Housing
- Homeownership Assistance
- Interim Mortgage Assistance
- Rental Assistance

# CDBG-DR Allocation Process



## Common Infrastructure Activities

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- Match for Federal programs as authorized (e.g. FEMA)
- Transportation
- Energy
- Water Systems
- Communication



# CDBG-DR Allocation Process



## Common Economic Revitalization

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- Assistance to Businesses (Grants/Loans)
- Job Training & Workforce Development
- Commercial or Industrial Improvements
- Technical Assistance to Businesses

# CDBG-DR Allocation Process



## Common Public Services

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- Legal Services
- Housing Counseling
- Mental Health Services & Counseling
- Services to Address Homelessness
- Disaster Relief Assistance
- Disaster Preparedness Programs

# CDBG-DR Allocation Process



## Common Planning Activities

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- Feasibility Studies
- Marketing Studies
- Long-Term Disaster Recovery Plans
- Comprehensive Plans
- Functional Plans



# CDBG-DR Allocation Process



## Ineligible Activities

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Ineligible Activities in CDBG–DR Any activity that is not authorized under Section 105(a) of the HCDA (24 U.S.C. 5305(a)) is ineligible to be assisted with CDBG–DR funds, unless explicitly allowed by waiver and alternative requirement in the Universal Notice.

Additionally, the uses described below are explicitly prohibited:

- CDBG–DR funds cannot be used as compensation to beneficiaries (see section III.E.1.).
- CDBG–DR funds cannot be used to force homeowners to pay off their remaining mortgage (see section III.E.2.).

# CDBG-DR Allocation Process



## Income Eligibility Criteria

Funded activities must benefit persons whose annual income does not exceed 80 percent of the median income for the area, as determined by HUD. In certain situations, HUD will allow annual income up to 120% of median income. In order to use the 120% income-limit we will have to request a waiver. The current income limits are listed below, but limits are updated annually.

### 2024 HUD Income Limits (Effective Date: May 1, 2024)

Household Size	50% Very Low	80% Low	120%*
1	\$ 30,300.00	\$ 48,450.00	\$ 72,650.00
2	\$ 34,600.00	\$ 55,400.00	\$ 83,050.00
3	\$ 38,950.00	\$ 62,300.00	\$ 93,400.00
4	\$ 43,250.00	\$ 69,200.00	\$ 103,800.00
5	\$ 46,750.00	\$ 74,750.00	\$ 112,100.00
6	\$ 50,200.00	\$ 80,300.00	\$ 120,400.00
7	\$ 53,650.00	\$ 85,850.00	\$ 128,700.00
8	\$ 57,100.00	\$ 91,350.00	\$ 137,000.00
* Note: CDBG-DR 120% Limit			

# CDBG-DR Allocation Process



## **Duplication of Benefits (DOB)**

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A duplication occurs when a person, household, business, or other entity receives disaster assistance from multiple sources for the same recovery purpose, and the total assistance received for that purpose is more than the total need.

The amount of the DOB is the amount received in excess of the total need for the same purpose. When the total need for eligible activities is more than total assistance for the same purpose, the difference between these amounts is an “unmet need.” Grantees must limit the awarding of CDBG–DR assistance to unmet needs for eligible activities to prevent a DOB. Because the Universal Notice permits reimbursement, as described in section III.B.14., unmet needs can include amounts needed for reimbursement.



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## Questions or Comments on the Uses of CDBG-DR 2023 Funds

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# THANK YOU

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