60-Day Extension FAQ for 2023-2024 Disasters Subject to the Universal Notice

HUD's Office of Disaster Recovery Frequently Asked Questions

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Summary

The purpose of these Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) guidance is to grant a 60-day extension and provide direction for grantees who received allocations for 2023 or 2024 disasters subject to the January 16, 2025 Federal Register notice (90 FR 4759). On March 19, 2025 the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Office of Disaster Recovery published revisions made to the Universal Notice in Revisions made to the Common Application, Waivers, and Alternative Requirements for Community Development Block Grant Disaster Recovery Grantees: The Universal Notice ("Universal Notice") published in the Federal Register (90 FR 1754) and Clarifications to the Allocations for Community Development Block Grant Disaster Recovery and Implementation of the CDBG–DR Consolidated Waivers and Alternative Requirements Notice published in the Federal Register (90 FR 4759) (Memorandum 2025-02). This memorandum revises several sections of the Universal Notice (90 FR 1754), pursuant to the following executive orders:

- Memorandum for the Heads of Executive Departments and Agencies (90 FR 8245) ("Delivering Emergency Price Relief for American Families and Defeating the Cost-of-Living Crisis"), signed on January 20, 2025.
- EO 14151 (90 FR 8339) ("Ending Radical and Wasteful Government DEI Programs and Preferencing"), signed on January 21, 2025.
- EO 14173 (90 FR 8633) ("Ending Illegal Discrimination and Restoring Merit-Based Opportunity"), signed on January 21, 2025.
- EO 14224 (90 FR 11363) ("Designating English as the Official Language of the United States"), signed on March 1, 2025.

FAOs

60-Day Extension Applicability

Q1: Which CDBG-DR grantees get an extension?

A: HUD is granting a 60-day extension to all grantees who received allocations for 2023 or 2024 disasters subject to the January 16, 2025 *Federal Register* notice (90 FR 4759).

Q2: What deadlines established in the January 16, 2025 *Federal Register* notice (90 FR 4759) are being extended?

A: HUD is granting a 60-day extension for the submission of the Action Plan, Financial Certifications, Housing Policies and Procedures, and other Programmatic Policies and Procedures (i.e., economic revitalization, public service, infrastructure programs, etc.). Please refer to the table below for specific key date changes.

2023 or 2024 Disasters Subject to 90 FR 4759 Notice 60-Day Extension Key Dates		
90 FR 4759 Publication Date		Thursday, January 16, 2025
90 FR 4759 Applicability Date		Tuesday, January 21, 2025
Memorandum 2025-02 Publication Date		Wednesday, March 19, 2025
Memorandum 2025-02 60-Day Extension on Applicability Date		Monday, March 24, 2025
New Key Dates Upon 60-Day Extension		
Phase One	Action Plan Deadline (90 Days from Extension on Applicability Date)	Monday, June 23, 2025 ¹
Phase Two	Financial Certification Deadline (135 Days from Extension on Applicability Date)	Wednesday, August 6, 2025
Phase Three	Housing policies and procedures (12 months from Extension on Applicability Date) Policies and procedures for all other programs (e.g.,	Tuesday, March 24, 2026 Tuesday, September 22,
	economic revitalization, public service, infrastructure programs, etc.) (18 months from Extension on Applicability Date)	2026

Q3: Do grantees need to submit a request to HUD if they would like to use the 60-day extension?

A: No, grantees do <u>not</u> need to make individual requests to use the 60-day extension. HUD is granting this administrative 60-day extension to all grantees subject to 90 FR 4759.

Q4: Can a grantee submit its Action Plan early?

A: Yes, if a grantee does not require an extension to the grant milestone deadlines above, it is always able to submit materials early.

Q5: What if a grantee needs more than 60 days to submit its grant milestones?

A: If a grantee needs more than 60 days, it can submit an extension request to its assigned HUD CPD staff member. The request should provide good cause for why the grantee needs additional time and provides a reasonable estimate of the time needed.

A good cause statement is a detailed statement of how the request is necessary to meet the requirements of the grantee's initial Action Plan submission and the predicted time frame the grantee needs to be positioned to submit the initial Action Plan. For example, say a Local Government grantee needs additional time to present its Action Plan to its local board for approval after integrating feedback from public hearing(s) or public comment and the board meeting is after the submission extension, the grantee can provide that as good cause for an extension request.

Q6: If a grantee previously requested and was approved for an Action Plan extension, what submission deadline should the grantee assume?

¹ Since the deadline for Action Plan submission is set to fall on a Sunday grantee can assume the next business day, Monday, June 23, 2025.

A: If a grantee requested and was approved for an extension on its Action Plan, and that extension is longer than the 60-day extension, HUD's approval of the longer extension would still be applicable. For example, if a grantee previously received approval for a 120-day extension from HUD, the grantee's 120-day extension would still apply to its Action Plan, Financial Certifications, Housing Policies and Procedures, and other Programmatic Policies and Procedures (i.e., economic revitalization, public service, infrastructure programs, etc.), and not the 60-day extension granted by this policy. A grantee should **not** assume that the 60-day extension should be added to its previously approved extension.

Initial Action Plan Submission

Q7: Does the extension apply to the grantee's optional Admin Action Plan?

A: There is no deadline to submit the optional Admin Action Plan. However, if a grantee chooses to submit an Admin- Action Plan, it must do so before it submits its initial Action Plan to HUD.