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Ms. Susan Grant, Acting City Manager  
City of Fort Lauderdale  
100 North Andrews Avenue  
Ft. Lauderdale, FL 33301

Dear Ms. Grant:

The Department is providing this notification to inform you that HUD has allocated Community Development Block Grant recovery (CDBG-DR) funds to your jurisdiction for disasters that occurred in 2023 or 2024.

The Disaster Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2025 (Public Law 118-158) approved on December 21, 2024, makes available an allocation of CDBG-DR funds for applicable jurisdictions. These CDBG-DR funds are for necessary expenses for activities authorized under title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 (42 U.S.C. 5301 et seq.) related to disaster relief, long-term recovery, restoration of infrastructure and housing, economic revitalization, and mitigation in the “most impacted and distressed” areas resulting from a qualifying major disaster that occurred in 2023 or 2024. Your jurisdiction’s available amount is listed below:

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| <b>CDBG-DR Amount</b> | \$88,051,000 |
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CDBG-DR grant funds are supplemental funds appropriated by Congress and allocated by HUD to support long-term recovery and mitigation in disaster-impacted communities. CDBG-DR grants are designed to help States, units of general local government, or Indian tribes recover from Presidentially declared disasters, especially in low- and moderate-income areas. CDBG-DR assistance may be used for a broad range of recovery activities, and HUD is positioned to assist you in your efforts to address the recovery and mitigation needs of communities and neighborhoods that have the greatest unmet needs or that face challenges to recover.

The Department is committed to being your partner throughout the planning and implementation process for the use of these funds. The Department has published a *Federal Register* Notice, at [https://www.hud.gov/program\\_offices/comm\\_planning/cdbg-dr/regulations](https://www.hud.gov/program_offices/comm_planning/cdbg-dr/regulations), which specifies the process and requirements for accessing and implementing your CDBG-DR allocation. The Department requires grantees to submit an action plan detailing the use of their CDBG-DR funds. This plan must include the criteria for eligibility, and how the use of these funds will address long-term recovery and restoration of infrastructure and housing, economic revitalization, and mitigation in the most impacted and distressed areas. The action plan must identify unmet recovery needs and address mitigation activities. Grantees may also submit an admin-only action plan to HUD, to access the admin portion of the grant award.

Additionally information and resources about the Universal Notice, which is applicable for your award, can be found at [https://www.hud.gov/program\\_offices/comm\\_planning/cdbg-dr/universal\\_notice\\_grantees](https://www.hud.gov/program_offices/comm_planning/cdbg-dr/universal_notice_grantees).

The jurisdiction's Chief Elected Official determines the CDBG-DR administering agency. Please confirm that your agency will be administering the CDBG-DR funds for your jurisdiction. If not, please provide contact information for the agency that will be responsible for administering the CDBG-DR funding.

Grantees can request FEMA data for planning purposes to assist in analyzing unmet needs for Action Plan development. There are two paths request this data, via DocuSign or processing the documents via e-mail (paper). Grantees can find information on how to access this data by becoming signatories to the HUD and FEMA Computer Matching Agreement, at [https://www.hud.gov/program\\_offices/comm\\_planning/cdbg-dr/data-sharing](https://www.hud.gov/program_offices/comm_planning/cdbg-dr/data-sharing). Please e-mail the jurisdiction's point of contact for data requests to [CDBGdr@hud.gov](mailto:CDBGdr@hud.gov).

The Department remains committed to assisting the City of Fort Lauderdale in its efforts to address recovery needs and looks forward to working with you and your staff in partnership to achieve this goal. If you have any questions regarding the information in this letter or would like to inquire why your jurisdiction received this letter, please contact Elimaris Fernandez at 305-520-5012 or by email at [Elimaris.X.Fernandez@hud.gov](mailto:Elimaris.X.Fernandez@hud.gov).

Sincerely,

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