

Hurricane Isaac Recovery Programs

Parish Programs

St. John the Baptist Parish Recovery Programs

Homeowner Rehabilitation

\$11,549,820 to help homeowners rehabilitate, reconstruct and elevate their Isaac-damaged home

Small Rental Rehabilitation

\$1,919,662 to owners of one- to four-unit rental properties to rehabilitate, reconstruct and elevate those properties

Housing Elevation

\$2,500,000 towards a voluntary elevation program for homes located in flood-prone areas

Demolition and Clearance

\$350,000 to demolish and clear properties identified by the St. John the Baptist Parish Planning and Zoning Department as uninhabitable, hazardous or otherwise unsafe storm-damaged homes

Homebuyer Assistance

\$2,981,438 to assist low- to moderate-income residents in becoming new homeowner

Economic Development

\$3,334,880 to address unmet economic development needs and expand economic opportunities

School Board

\$5,000,000 to address unmet public facilities needs

Plaquemines Parish Recovery Programs

Homeowner Rehabilitation

\$12,913,115.50 to create the new Plaquemines Homeowner Assistance Program (PHAP), which is necessary to address the unmet housing needs. Through an extensive outreach initiative, parish officials will identify qualifying homeowners and will coordinate all aspects of administering the program, including applicant intake, case management and construction work.

Housing Elevation

\$4,039,600 to the Housing Elevation/HMGP Non-Federal Match Program. This is a voluntary elevation program, implemented and administered in conjunction with homeowner elevation activities conducted in accordance with the parish's FEMA-funded Hazard Mitigation Grant Program for those homes located in flood-prone areas throughout the parish.

State-Implemented Programs

Homeowner Rehabilitation

OCD-DRU has allocated \$1,731,807 to create this program to address housing needs in parishes that did not receive separate disaster recovery CDBG funding.

The funds will assist low- to moderate-income homeowners who have a gap in financing their repairs due to limited resources and who are living in homes that are in a substandard condition and/or are in violation of code enforcements. The program will be implemented only in those parishes impacted by Hurricane Isaac that did not receive disaster recovery CDBG funds. Eligible parishes include:

Allen	Livingston	St. Martin
Ascension	Morehouse	St. Mary
Assumption	Pointe Coupee	Tangipahoa
East Baton Rouge	St. Bernard	Terrebonne
East Feliciana	St. Charles	Washington
Iberville	St. Helena	West Baton Rouge
Lafourche	St. James	West Feliciana

Hazard Mitigation Assistance Cost-Share for LMI Households

FEMA Hazard Mitigation Grant Program funds provided to parishes, then distributed to individuals, also have a 25 percent cost-share, but it is the individual who is responsible for payment. The state allocated \$2,714,277 to assist low-to-moderate income residents who qualify for HMGP funds but cannot afford to pay the cost-share.

The parishes identified with Isaac-funded HMGP elevation programs and their initial allocations are as follows:

Parish	Current Allocation
Livingston	\$450,000.00
Terrebonne	\$578,152.86
Washington	\$240,000.00
Tangipahoa	\$450,000.00
TBD	\$996,124.14
Total	\$2,714,277

Parish Recovery Projects

Of the additional impacted parishes, the five with the most damage per household will receive a total of \$1.1 million for Isaac-related recovery projects that are in line with parish priorities. The activities can include, but are not limited to, cost-share for PA-eligible projects or HMGP cost-share for drainage projects or marine debris removal. Proposed distribution by parish, based on damages, is as follows:

- Livingston, \$300,000;
- Tangipahoa, \$300,000;
- Washington, \$200,000;
- St. Bernard, \$150,000; and
- St. James, \$150,000.

FEMA Cost-Share

In response to the heavy rain, flooding and power outages associated with Hurricane Isaac, the state provided emergency protective measures necessary to reduce both the immediate threat to life, public health and safety, and also the threat of significant damage to improved public and private property. Additionally, due to the lingering effects of the storm, some citizens were unable to return to their homes for an extended period of time, creating an extended need for sheltering assistance.

Based on the level of damage caused by Hurricane Isaac to Louisiana, FEMA reimburses the state for up to 75 percent of the costs associated with emergency expenses, debris removal and infrastructure repair. The sum of FEMA Public Assistance and Transitional Sheltering Assistance provided in response to the storm currently exceeds \$466 million, thus making the state responsible for \$116.6 million.

This cost, combined with the expenses from responding to hurricanes Katrina, Rita, Gustav and Ike and declining revenues in an ongoing national recession, make the burden of this cost share unsustainable. Therefore, the state obligated \$5.9 million to cover a portion of the 25 percent cost-share associated with federal funds provided to state agencies in response to Hurricane Isaac.