



Mississippi Development Authority

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Overview

This Substantial Modification pertains to the reprogramming of portions of the \$5.058 billion allocation in Community Development Block Grant (“CDBG”) funding from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (“HUD”) as part of the \$5.48 billion federal appropriation through the Emergency Supplemental Appropriation Act for Defense, the Global War on Terror, and Hurricane Recovery, 2006 (Public Law 109-148) and to the additional use of portions of the \$423,036,059 allocation in CDBG funding from HUD as part of the \$5.48 billion federal appropriation through the Emergency Supplemental Appropriation Act for Defense, the Global War on Terror, and Hurricane Recovery, 2006 (Public Law 109-234). These monies have been designated by Congress for “necessary expenses related to disaster relief, long-term recovery, and restoration of infrastructure in the most impacted and distressed areas related to Hurricanes Katrina, Rita, or Wilma.” These funds are being administered by the Mississippi Development Authority (“MDA”) for the State of Mississippi.

Background

Since it designed and implemented a battery of Hurricane Katrina recovery programs shortly after Hurricane Katrina, the State of Mississippi’s recovery plan has consisted of three overall priorities which include: recovering housing stock, retaining and recruiting jobs within the storm-impacted counties and rebuilding and strengthening public infrastructure/facilities in designated disaster areas. Through the Small Rental Assistance Program, 3,509 rental units have been rehabilitated/reconstructed and all construction is complete. This modification reallocates the majority of the remaining funds in this program to the Long-Term Workforce Housing Program. Some funding will remain in the Small Rental Assistance Program in order to meet the remaining obligations under that program. The Long-Term Workforce Housing Program was originally approved under Amendment 6 of the Action Plan in June 2008 and the Small Rental Assistance Program was originally approved under Amendment 1 in July 2007.

Purpose

As Mississippi’s post-Katrina recovery needs have evolved, reprogramming of available KCDBG funds has been necessary to meet remaining unmet needs. As the Small Rental Assistance Program has completed construction and the balance of funds exceeds the amount needed to meet current obligations, remaining funds will be moved to the Long-Term Workforce Housing Program to address additional unmet housing needs. Program funding allocations will be adjusted as listed below.

Program	Prior Allocation	Amount Reallocated	Revised Allocation
Small Rental Assistance Program	208,771,864.67	(900,000.00)	207,871,864.67
Long-Term Workforce Housing Program	230,372,080.34	900,000.00	231,272,080.34

Substantial Amendments

MDA recognizes that adding or deleting an activity or changing the planned beneficiaries of an activity will constitute a substantial change requiring an amendment to the action plan.

Citizen Participation

This proposed Substantial Modification will be submitted for public comment in English, Spanish and Vietnamese versions to the website at www.msdisasterrecovery.com on March 26, 2018, with the public comment period ending 14 days later on April 8, 2018. Written comments regarding this proposed modification can be mailed to MDA at:

Mississippi Development Authority
Post Office Box 849
Jackson, MS 39205
Attention: Disaster Recovery Division

Comments can also be submitted via facsimile to (601)359-9280 or via email to disasterrecoverycomments@mississippi.org.