Federal Funding for Water and Wastewater Infrastructure Damaged by Hurricanes Katrina and Rita in Louisiana

**Hurricane Katrina**
Hurricane Katrina made landfall in Louisiana on August 29, 2005, as a category 4 hurricane with winds of 150 miles per hour—leaving a path of destruction throughout southeastern Louisiana. On August 29, 2005, President Bush declared a major disaster in the State of Louisiana and ordered federal aid to supplement state and local recovery efforts. The President’s action made federal funding available to affected individuals in the parishes of Acadia, Ascension, Assumption, Calcasieu, Cameron, East Baton Rouge, East Feliciana, Iberia, Iberville, Jefferson, Jefferson Davis, Lafayette, Lafourche, Livingston, Orleans, Plaquemines, Pointe Coupee, St. Bernard, St. Charles, St. Helena, St. James, St. John the Baptist, St. Mary, St. Martin, St. Tammany, Tangipahoa, Terrebonne, Vermilion, Washington, West Baton Rouge, and West Feliciana.

**Hurricane Rita**
Hurricane Rita made landfall between Sabine Pass, Texas, and Johnson’s bayou, Louisiana, on September 24, 2005, as a category 3 hurricane with wind speeds up to 120 miles per hour. After making landfall, Rita traveled north along the Texas/Louisiana state line causing structural damage, flooding, and utility outages. Beginning on September 23, 2005, President Bush declared a major disaster in the State of Louisiana as a result of Hurricane Rita. The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) designated the following parishes eligible for aid to stricken residents and business owners: Acadia, Allen, Beauregard, Calcasieu, Cameron, Desoto, Evangeline, Iberia, Jefferson Davis, Lafayette, Natchitoches, Sabine, St. Landry, St. Mary, Rapides, Terrebonne, Vermilion, and Vernon.

**Recovery**
Local communities throughout Louisiana are now engaged in long-term recovery efforts. Recovery from the hurricanes will take time and considerable planning to ensure that reconstruction efforts are sustainable for the future. In addition to funding made available through FEMA, there are a number of federal and federally-supported state programs that water and wastewater utilities can access to help them in planning, designing and constructing infrastructure. Community rebuilding efforts are also being facilitated by parish “community storefronts”, where individuals can find out about programs and contribute to parish-wide recovery plans. General information about the federal long term community recovery process, led by FEMA, is available at www.fema.gov/rrr/ltcr/index.shtm.

**FEMA Grants and Loans**
FEMA provides Public Assistance Grants as emergency repairs and permanent repairs to public utilities. FEMA also operates the Special Community Disaster Loan program, which is available to local governments that must provide for the operation of essential public services. FEMA’s Federal Interagency Disaster Assistance Guide to Recovery Programs describes these and other programs. The guide is available at www.fema.gov/pdf/rrr/ltcr/recoveryprograms229.pdf.

**HUD CDBG and Guaranteed Loans**
Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Community Development Block Grants (CDBGs) are formula grants for entitlement communities and to states for distribution to non-entitlement communities. Recipient communities must spend at least 70% of their funds for activities that benefit low- and moderate-income persons. Utilities have used these block grants to develop new water sources, improve treatment, and replace distribution system pipes. Communities can also receive aggregate loan guarantees equal to 5 times their CDBG entitlement amount.

**USDA Rural Development Water and Environmental Programs**
The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Rural Development Water and Waste Disposal Loans and Grants for Drinking Water and Wastewater are available for constructing, repairing, expanding, or improving water supply and distribution systems and waste collection and treatment systems; certain facility development; acquiring needed land, water sources, and water rights; and legal and engineering fees.

**SBA Disaster Loans**
The U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) provides infrastructure assistance to private entities for both private and non-profit drinking water and wastewater utilities to return infrastructure to its pre-disaster operability through the SBA’s Office of Disaster Assistance. These subsidized loans are offered at below market rates.

**Commerce EDA Economic Assistance Programs**
The Department of Commerce’s Economic Development Administration (EDA) offers assistance to rural and urban areas where unemployment is high and incomes are low with a mission to “enhance community success in attracting private capital investment and lucrative job opportunities.” EDA assistance can help communities that are in economic decline upgrade their physical infrastructure, including drinking water and wastewater facilities.

**Delta Regional Authority Federal Grant Program**
The Delta Regional Authority (DRA) is a federal-state partnership serving a 240-county/parish area in an eight-state region, including 46 parishes in Louisiana that are eligible for DRA’s federal grant program. DRA grants are primarily used as a match for other federal funds are focused on basic public infrastructure, transportation infrastructure, business development and workforce training.

**EPA State Revolving Funds**
EPA provides grants to Louisiana’s Department of Health & Hospitals to support the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund, which provides low-interest loans to water systems for infrastructure improvements needed to protect public health and ensure compliance with the Safe Drinking Water Act. EPA also provides grants to Louisiana’s Department of Environmental Quality to support the Clean Water State Revolving Fund to help meet Clean Water Act requirements through low-interest loans or other assistance to publicly owned wastewater collection and treatment systems, stormwater and nonpoint source pollution control and estuary management projects.

**Section 219 of the Water Resources Development Act of 1992 (WRDA 92), Environmental Infrastructure, as amended**
Section 219 of the Water Resources Development Act of 1992, Environmental Infrastructure, as amended, authorizes the Secretary of the Army to provide assistance to non-Federal interests for carrying out water-related environmental infrastructure and resource protection and development projects including wastewater treatment and related facilities, water supply, storage, treatment, and distribution facilities. Such assistance may be in the form of technical and planning and design assistance as well as construction assistance for defined projects and locations with specific amounts authorized for each location. A non-Federal cost share not less than 25% is required for all assistance under section 219.
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| FEMA Public Assistance Program (PA)               | Grants: 90% of the eligible cost for Katrina and Rita                                                       | Emergency work: debris removal and demolition of unsafe structures. Permanent work: restore to pre-disaster design. (water treatment and delivery systems; sewage collection and treatment facilities) | States, local governments, Indian tribes and certain Private-Nonprofit Organizations (PNP) via States.                                                | Louisiana Public Assistance program – http://louisianapa.com  
Mailing Address: Joint Field Office, Attn: State Public Assistance, 415 N 15th Street, Baton Rouge, LA, 70802  
Applicants must complete a request for public assistance (RPA) to initiate the process for applying for funding.  
Deadlines – The project completion deadlines are set from the date that the major disaster or emergency is declared and are dependent on the type of work being done (Emergency Work, 6 months; Permanent Work, 18 Months). However, deadlines may be extended by FEMA.  
Additional Disaster Recovery information is available from the Louisiana Office of Homeland Security & Emergency Preparedness http://www.loep.state.la.us/disrecovery/disrecovindex.htm  
General Information on PA program  
http://www.fema.gov/rrr/pa/overview.shtm  
Public Assistance Branch, Recovery Division, FEMA, DHS, 500 C Street SW., Washington, DC 20472 |
| FEMA Mitigation 406                               | Grants to Eligible Public Assistance Projects                                                                | Mitigation work identified at specific sites receiving FEMA Public Assistance | States, local governments, Indian tribes and certain Private-Nonprofit Organizations (PNP) via States.                                                | Those interested in receiving HMGP funding should discuss mitigation needs with their FEMA Public Assistance contact.  
General Information on HMGP program  
http://www.fema.gov/fima/hmgp/faqs.shtm  
Risk Reduction Branch, Mitigation Division, FEMA, DHS, 500 C Street SW., Washington, DC 20472; Telephone: (202) 646–2856.  
Hazard Mitigation Funding Under Section 406  
http://www.fema.gov/rrr/pa/9526_1.shtm |
| FEMA Mitigation 404                               | Grants for long term hazard mitigation                                                                     | Funds may be used to fund projects that will reduce or eliminate the losses from future disasters | States, local governments, Indian tribes and certain Private-Nonprofit Organizations (PNP) via States.                                                | Those interested in applying to the HMGP should contact the state to begin the application process.  
General Information on HMGP program  
http://www.fema.gov/fima/hmgp/faqs.shtm  
Risk Reduction Branch, Mitigation Division, FEMA, DHS, 500 C Street SW., Washington, DC 20472; Telephone: (202) 646–2856.  
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| FEMA Special Community Disaster Loans Program (SCDLs) | Loans. Loan limited to 25% of yearly operating budget. 5 yr. loan – can extend to 10 yrs. Applicant selects payment schedule. Rate approx. 2.7% Local government must pledge collateral security (state will not cosign). | Proceeds from these loans will be limited to the performance of core municipal operating functions services related to protecting and promoting the health, safety, and public welfare of the community. SCDL funds used for operational purposes, not capital outlay or debt services against capital outlay. | Local governments that provide “essential services”. Must be allowed by state statute to incur debt and have > 5% revenue loss for current or succeeding years. Private non-profits not eligible for loans, but local governments may provide proceeds to them for “essential services.” Local government remains responsible for how funds are spent. | The local government shall submit an application for a Special Community Disaster Loan through the Governor’s Authorized Representative (GAR)  
In Louisiana, the Office of Homeland Security & Emergency Preparedness implements SCDL program. Contact Chris Cerniauskas at 225-329-8269 for information about how to apply. Applications must be approved by the Louisiana State Bond Commission.  
General information on the SCDL program  
http://www.fema.gov/rrr/pa/fs_cdl.shtm |
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<td>Buying, constructing, or rehabilitating public facilities such as water and sewer systems.</td>
<td>Cities with populations of at least 50,000; and qualified urban counties with populations of at least 200,000 (excluding the population of entitled cities).</td>
<td>To receive its annual CDBG entitlement grant, a grantee must develop and submit its Consolidated Plan to HUD. Note that the local government administers the program and determines which local projects receive funding. Community Development Block Formula Grant Entitlement Communities Grants. <a href="http://www.hud.gov/offices/cpd/communitydevelopment/programs/entitlement/index.cfm">http://www.hud.gov/offices/cpd/communitydevelopment/programs/entitlement/index.cfm</a></td>
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<td>Grants. States must spend at least 70% of their funds for activities that benefit low- and moderate-income persons. Can be used to match FEMA grants.</td>
<td>Constructing or rehabilitating public facilities such as water and sewer systems.</td>
<td>For the traditional program, municipalities and parishes that are not entitlement communities. For supplemental funding, municipalities, parishes, entitlement communities, and other entities may be eligible.</td>
<td>For the traditional CDBG program, HUD annually distributes funds to each State based on a statutory formula which takes into account population, poverty, incidence of overcrowded housing, and age of housing. Neither HUD nor States distribute funds directly to citizens or private organizations; all funds (other than administrations and the technical assistance set-aside) are distributed by States to units of general local government. Congress has provided Louisiana with supplemental funding for disaster recovery. Decisions on use of supplemental funding will be made by the Louisiana Recovery Authority. <a href="http://www.lra.louisiana.gov/Louisiana">http://www.lra.louisiana.gov/Louisiana</a> CDBG program. <a href="http://www.doa.louisiana.gov/cdbg/cdbg.htm">http://www.doa.louisiana.gov/cdbg/cdbg.htm</a> CDBG Disaster Recovery Assistance. <a href="http://www.hud.gov/offices/cpd/communitydevelopment/programs/dri/cdbg.cfm">http://www.hud.gov/offices/cpd/communitydevelopment/programs/dri/cdbg.cfm</a></td>
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<td>HUD Section 108 Loan Guarantee Program</td>
<td>Under this program, entitlement communities can receive (in the aggregate) loan guarantees equal to 5 times their CDBG entitlement amount. The maximum loan repayment period is 20 years. Can be used to match FEMA grants.</td>
<td>Finance acquisition of real property (including related public improvements, clearance, and relocation), rehabilitation of publicly owned real property (including infrastructure), housing rehabilitation, public facilities, and economic development activities.</td>
<td>Metropolitan cities and urban counties (i.e., CDBG entitlement recipients). Nonentitlement communities that are assisted in the submission of applications by States that administer the CDBG program.</td>
<td>To apply for a Section 108 Guaranteed Loan, contact your local HUD office (<a href="http://www.hud.gov/local/index.cfm">http://www.hud.gov/local/index.cfm</a>) in advance for help in preparing an application. Section 108 program. <a href="http://www.hud.gov/offices/cpd/communitydevelopment/programs/108/">http://www.hud.gov/offices/cpd/communitydevelopment/programs/108/</a></td>
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<td>SBA Business Physical Disaster Loans</td>
<td>Loans of up to $1.5 million are available for for-profit and nonprofit organizations. Interest rates may be as low as 4% APR and terms may be as long as 30 years. Actual maturity is based on ability to repay.</td>
<td>Repair or replacement of real property, machinery, equipment, fixtures, inventory, and leasehold improvements</td>
<td>Large or small businesses and non-profit organizations may apply</td>
<td>Necessary information is specified in the loan application and includes: (1) SBA Form 5–SBA Loan application, (2) IRS Form 8821 – Tax Information Authorization (for business and each principal), (3) A copy of certain federal income tax information (as specified on the application) Helpful information: (1) A brief history of the business, (2) Personal and business financial statements (for business and each principal) Call 1-800-659-2955, visit any Disaster Recovery Center, or visit the website at: <a href="http://www.sba.gov/disaster_recover">www.sba.gov/disaster_recover</a></td>
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<td>SBA Economic Injury Disaster Loans (EIDLs)</td>
<td>Loans up to $1.5 million are available for small, for-profit organizations. Combined physical and economic injury loans may not exceed $1.5 million (except for major sources of employment).</td>
<td>Limited to the economic injury determined by program standards, less business interruption insurance and other recoveries up to the administrative lending limit. SBA also considers potential contributions that are available from the business and/or its owner(s) or affiliates.</td>
<td>Small Businesses only (program not available to non-profits)</td>
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<td>Direct Loan and Grant Program. Interest rates are set quarterly based on an index of current market yields for municipal obligations. Repayment term is a maximum of 40 years. Grant funds may be available to reduce user costs to a reasonable level; maximum grant amount is 75% of eligible facility development costs. Interest rate currently 4.5%. Can be used to match FEMA grants.</td>
<td>Drinking Water and Wastewater: Costs for constructing, repairing, expanding, or improving water supply and distribution systems and waste collection and treatment systems; certain facility development; acquiring needed land, water sources, and water rights; legal and engineering fees.</td>
<td>Public entities: Cities and towns up to 10,000 people; rural areas with no population limits. Eligible lenders obtain guarantee for loans made and serviced by them. Lenders should contact the Rural Development Area Office or State Office.</td>
<td>Applications may be filed with the USDA Rural Development office serving the applicant’s area. Detailed information and applications are available through USDA Rural Development State, Local, and Area Offices. Louisiana Rural Development, Water and Environmental Programs 3727 Government Street, Alexandria, LA 71302 <a href="http://www.rurdev.usda.gov/la/index.htm">http://www.rurdev.usda.gov/la/index.htm</a> Louisiana Rural Development State, Area, Local, and Satellite Office locations and telephone numbers may be obtained at <a href="http://www.rurdev.usda.gov/la/offices.htm">http://www.rurdev.usda.gov/la/offices.htm</a> For additional information, you may consult the program’s fact sheet at <a href="http://www.usda.gov/rus/water/docs/wwfact.pdf">http://www.usda.gov/rus/water/docs/wwfact.pdf</a></td>
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<td>Guaranteed Loan Program. Not eligible for grant, eligible lenders obtain up to a 90% guarantee for loans made and serviced by them. Can be used to match FEMA grants.</td>
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<td>USDA Rural Development Emergency Community Water Assistance Grants</td>
<td>Grant Program. Maximum grant amount is $500,000 for occurrence of a significant decline in quantity or quality of water within 2 years; $150,000 to make emergency repairs and replacement of facilities on existing systems. Can be used to match FEMA grants.</td>
<td>Drinking Water: Costs for extending, repairing, or performing significant maintenance on existing water systems; new construction of water lines and sources of water, reservoirs, and treatment plants; replacing equipment; connection or tap fees; legal and engineering fees and environmental impact analyses; acquiring water rights.</td>
<td>Public entities and nonprofit corporations serving rural areas.</td>
<td>Applications are filed with any USDA Rural Development State or District office. Louisiana Rural Development, Water and Environmental Programs Staff 3727 Government Street, Alexandria, LA 71302 <a href="http://www.rurdev.usda.gov/la/index.htm">http://www.rurdev.usda.gov/la/index.htm</a> Louisiana Rural Development State, Area, Local, and Satellite Office locations and telephone numbers may be obtained at <a href="http://www.rurdev.usda.gov/la/offices.htm">http://www.rurdev.usda.gov/la/offices.htm</a> For additional information, you may consult the program’s fact sheet at: <a href="http://www.usda.gov/rus/water/docs/wwfact.pdf">http://www.usda.gov/rus/water/docs/wwfact.pdf</a></td>
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<td>(ECWAG)</td>
<td>Provides technical assistance; not a grant nor a loan program. Rural Development contracts through the National Rural Water Association (NRWA) to provide this service. Can be used to match FEMA grants.</td>
<td>Provides technical assistance for day-to-day operational, financial, and management problems for rural water systems.</td>
<td>Available to local water and sewer utilities.</td>
<td>Project description and links to the NRWA web page. <a href="http://www.usda.gov/rus/water/program.html#rural%20water">http://www.usda.gov/rus/water/program.html#rural%20water</a> The Rural Water Association affiliate for Louisiana is located at 818 12th Street, Kinder, LA 70648, Phone: 318-738-2896 Contact Community Resource Group at <a href="http://www.crg.org">www.crg.org</a> or phone Jerry Lary at (318) 466-9299</td>
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<td>USDA Rural Development Water Circuit Rider Technical Assistance</td>
<td>Loan Program. Maximum of 20 years. Interest Rate 4.9%-5.9%, depending on term.</td>
<td>Supplement additional funds to develop a project. Also, provides technical assistance for day-to-day financial and management problems for rural water systems.</td>
<td>Private nonprofit organizations and privately owned systems that have tax exempt status granted by IRS.</td>
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<td>USDA Rural Development Rural Community Assistance Program (RCAP)</td>
<td>Loan Program. Loans: 20-year maximum term, interest is at or below market rate. Special terms are available for Emergency &amp; Disadvantaged System projects. Can be used to match FEMA grants.</td>
<td>Drinking Water: planning and design, capital improvements.</td>
<td>Public and private entities, including for-profit and nonprofit organizations.</td>
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<td>EPA Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF)</td>
<td>Loan Program. Loans: 20-year maximum term, interest is at or below market rate. Special terms are available for Emergency &amp; Disadvantaged System projects. Can be used to match FEMA grants.</td>
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<td>EDA Economic Assistance Programs</td>
<td>Grants and Cooperative Agreements. Grants: Generally may not exceed 50% of project cost but additional funding up to 100% may be available if project meets certain criteria. Drinking Water or Wastewater (neither is mentioned specifically): Eligible costs include those for construction or rehabilitation of essential public infrastructure and development facilities necessary to generate private sector jobs and investment.</td>
<td>State, political subdivision of a State including special purpose unit of government, institution of higher education, public or private nonprofit organization acting in cooperation with officials of a political subdivision of a state, Indian Tribe.</td>
<td>Grant descriptions: <a href="http://www.eda.gov/ImageCache/EDAPublic/documents/pdfdocs/f505fgeneral051210.pdf">http://www.eda.gov/ImageCache/EDAPublic/documents/pdfdocs/f505fgeneral051210.pdf</a> Grants for Public Works and Economic Development Facilities and Economic Adjustment Assistance: <a href="http://www.whitehouse.gov/OMB/circulars/a133_compliance/04/doc.pdf">http://www.whitehouse.gov/OMB/circulars/a133_compliance/04/doc.pdf</a> EDA Regional Office/Economic Development Representatives, Louisiana: Pamela Davidson-Ehlers, 500 Poydras Street, Room 1025, New Orleans, LA, 70130-3310, (504) 589-4179, e-mail at: <a href="mailto:pdavidson@eda.doc.gov">pdavidson@eda.doc.gov</a> Jorge Ayala, Austin Regional Office, 504 Lavaca, Suite 1100, Austin, TX 78701-2858, (512) 381-8150, e-mail at: <a href="mailto:jayala@eda.doc.gov">jayala@eda.doc.gov</a> The DRA 2006 “Uniform Pre-Application Package” can be accessed through DRA’s Web site at <a href="http://www.dra.gov">www.dra.gov</a>, “DRA 2006 Federal Grant Program,” calling 1-888-GO TO DRA, e-mailing <a href="mailto:Pre-App.team@dra.gov">Pre-App.team@dra.gov</a>. Applicants should work with their Local Development Districts (LDDs) to develop and complete their pre-application package - THIS SERVICE IS FREE TO PRE-APPLICANTS. Applicants should submit their completed pre-application package to their LDDs by noon, Wednesday, March 29, 2006. Contact information for LDDs can be found at <a href="http://www.dra.gov">www.dra.gov</a> under the 2006 Federal Grant Program tab.</td>
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<td>Delta Regional Authority Federal Grant Program</td>
<td>Grant Program: Notwithstanding any provision of law limiting the federal share in any grant program, DRA funds can be used as matching monies for other federal grants. Can be used to match FEMA grants. Drinking Water and Wastewater: Projects that demonstrate job-creation or job-retention impact or demonstrate a reasonable expectation of impending sanction. Examples can include: water and wastewater treatment at residential, commercial and industrial sites. DRA can also fund transportation infrastructure, business development, and workforce training.</td>
<td>Public entities and non-profit corporations in the 46 LA parishes covered by the DRA. For a list of eligible parishes, please look under the 2006 Federal Grant Program tab at <a href="http://www.dra.gov">www.dra.gov</a>.</td>
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<td>Section 219 of Water Resources Development Act of 1992 (WRDA 92), Environmental Infrastructure as amended</td>
<td>The authority under section 219 is divided into technical, planning and design assistance for certain defined projects and locations with a total nationwide authorization of $30 million and technical, planning and design, and construction assistance for defined projects and locations with specific amount authorized for each location. In general assistance includes technical, planning and design, and construction of environmental infrastructure and resource protection and development projects including wastewater treatment and related facilities, water supply, storage, treatment, and distribution facilities.</td>
<td>In general non-Federal sponsors that have the legal and financial capability to provide the cash and real estate requirements needed for a project. Examples of eligible applicants include: State, county, city or township, borough, port authority, water district, river basin authority, non-governmental organization (environmental only).</td>
<td>To date, the Section 219 Environmental Infrastructure program does not receive funds through the president’s budget, all funds are appropriated through congressional earmarks on a year to year basis dependent on the priority of congress. For more information contact Mr. Shawn Vicknair, Program Manager, US Army Corps of Engineers, New Orleans District at (504) 862-2024, email: <a href="mailto:Shawn.M.Vicknair@usace.army.mil">Shawn.M.Vicknair@usace.army.mil</a>. If a project is already authorized contact state and local representatives to try to get funding appropriated so project can be implemented. For more information on WRDA 92 consult website: <a href="http://www.usace.army.mil/civilworks/ce/cew/public/branches/mp_and_dev/Wrd99/wrd992219.pdf">http://www.usace.army.mil/civilworks/ce/cew/public/branches/mp_and_dev/Wrd99/wrd992219.pdf</a> Authorized Louisiana applicants to date include: St. Charles, St. Bernard, and Plaquemines Parishes for water and wastewater infrastructure; St. John the Baptist and St. James Parishes for water and sewer improvements; Baton Rouge, Louisiana is authorized for water related infrastructure for the parishes of East Baton Rouge, Ascension, and Livingston; Iberia Parish for water and wastewater infrastructure; and Kenner for wastewater infrastructure.</td>
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Federal

FEMA
1-800-621-3362, 1-800-462-7585 (Hearing Impaired)
www.fema.gov

HUD/Louisiana Office
(504) 589-7214

USDOT/Participation in Louisiana Long-Term Community Recovery
http://louisiana.volpe.dot.gov/

USDA Rural Development
1-800-414-1226
http://www.rurdev.usda.gov/

EPA
http://www.epa.gov/katrina

EPA Safe Drinking Water Hotline
1-800-426-4791

Economic Development Administration
(504) 589-4179
http://www.eda.gov

Delta Regional Authority
(225) 763-3590 (Center for Environmental Health)
http://www.oph.dhh.state.la.us/

Small Business Administration
(202) 205-6734
http://www.sba.gov/disaster_recov/loaninfo/phydisaster.html

State

Louisiana Department of Health and Hospitals, Office of Public Health
(225) 763-3590 (Center for Environmental Health)
http://www.oph.dhh.state.la.us/

Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality
(225) 342-1234
http://www.deq.louisiana.gov/portal/

Louisiana Recovery Authority
(225) 382-5502
http://www.lra.louisiana.gov/

Louisiana Long Term Recovery
http://www.louisianaspeaks.org/

Louisiana Office of Homeland Security & Emergency Preparedness
http://www.loeep.state.la.us

Parish Storefronts

Allen Parish Community Storefront
130 W. 6th Avenue, Oberlin, LA
(337) 639-3687

Beauregard Parish
1118 N. Pine Ste G, DeRidder, LA
(337) 460-9889

Calcasieu Long Term Community Recovery Storefront
319 Broad St., Lake Charles, LA
(337) 497-0132

Cameron Parish Storefront
Grand Lake Boone’s Corner Hwy 384, Lake Charles, LA
(337) 598-2023

Iberia Parish Community Storefront
113 West Main Street, New Iberia, LA
(337) 560-1510

Iberville Parish Community Storefront
124 Gerard Street, Mandeville, LA
(985) 727-0837

Jefferson Parish Community Storefront
4436 Veterans Memorial Blvd., Suite 18, Metairie, LA
(504) 780-9290

Jefferson Davis Community Storefront
108 N. Railroad Avenue, Welsh, LA
(337) 734-2473

 Lafourche Parish
Lafourche Long Term Community Recovery
DRC Old Bingo Hall, 4650 Hwy 1, Ste 3, Raceland, LA
(985) 537-9602

St. Bernard Parish Community Storefront
102 N. Henry, Abbeville, LA
(337) 898-2570

St. Charles Parish Community Storefront
120 F W Judge Perez Drive, Chalmette, LA
(504) 762-2390

St. Mary Parish Community Storefront
521 Main Street, Franklin, LA
(337) 828-3588

St. Tammany Parish Community Storefront
805 Barrow Street, Houma, LA
(985) 851-7083

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124 Gerard Street, Mandeville, LA
(985) 727-0837

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805 Barrow Street, Houma, LA
(985) 851-7083

Vermilion Parish Community Storefront
116 S. 3rd St., Leesville, LA
(337) 392-1153

Vernon Parish Term Community Recovery
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(337) 392-1153

Washington Parish Community Storefront
1004 Bene Street, Franklinton, LA
(985) 839-2598

Orleans Parish
1340 Poydras St. 6th Floor
New Orleans, LA

Plaquemines Parish Community Storefront
8495 Highway 23, Belle Chasse, LA
(540) 391-6065

St. Bernard Parish Community Storefront
8103 F W Judge Perez Drive, Chalmette, LA
(504) 762-2390

St. Charles Parish Community Storefront
124 Apple Street, Norco, LA
(985) 764-7881

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