RESILIENCY WORKSHOP
CDGB-MIT Funding
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Amount of CDBG-DR Funding Previously Allocated to the USVI:

CDBG-DR Tranche 1: $242,684,000
CDBG-DR Tranche 2: $779,217,000
Total: $1,012,901,000
Amount of CDBG-MIT Funding allocated to the USVI:

CDBG-MIT Tranche 3:

$774,188,000
Allocated Funding to the USVI:

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CDBG-DR Tranche 2: $779,217,000
Subtotal: $1,012,901,000

CDBG-MIT Tranche 3: $774,188,000
Grand Total: $1,787,089,000
Action Plan Deadline Extended


- HUD granted the extension to ensure that the Territory has adequate time to address the citizen participation and other regulatory requirements.
Timely Use of Funds

- 6 years – 50% of funds expended
- 12 years – 100% of funds expended
HUD goals with CDBG-MIT

- Support data-informed investments, focusing on repetitive loss of property and critical infrastructure
- Build capacity to comprehensively analyze disaster risks and update hazard mitigation plans
- Support the adoption of policies that reflect local and regional priorities that will have long-lasting effects on community risk reduction, including risk reduction to community lifelines and decreasing future disaster costs
- Maximize the impact of funds by encouraging leverage, private/public partnerships, and coordination w/other Federal dollars
Key words in the Federal Notice

“Align” is used 14 times throughout the Notice

“FEMA” is used 74 times

“Hazard Mitigation Plans” or “HMP” is used 23 times
All CDBG-MIT Activities MUST

1. meet the definition of mitigation activities;

2. address the current and future risks as identified in the grantee’s Mitigation Needs Assessment of MID areas;

3. be CDBG-eligible activities under title I of the HCDA or otherwise eligible pursuant to a waiver or alternative requirement; and

4. meet a national objective, including additional criteria for mitigation activities and Covered Projects.

The action plan must describe how funded activities satisfy these requirements.
What is Mitigation?

- Mitigation ("MIT") activities are defined as those activities that increase resilience to disasters and

- reduce or eliminate the long-term risk of loss of life, injury, damage to and loss of property, and suffering and hardship

- by lessening the impact of future disasters
Mitigation Needs Assessment

- Conduct a risk-based assessment to inform the use of CDBG-MIT funds to meet mitigation needs, considering identified current and future hazards.
- Grantees must assess their mitigation needs in a manner that effectively addresses risks to indispensable services that enable continuous operation of
  - critical business and government functions, and
  - are critical to human health and safety, or economic security.
Mitigation Needs Assessment

• Must quantitatively assess the significant potential impacts and risks of hazards affecting the following seven critical service areas:
  • Safety and Security
  • Communications
  • Food, Water, Sheltering
  • Transportation
  • Health and Medical
  • Hazardous Material (Management)
  • Energy (Power & Fuel)
Safety and Security

- Evacuation routes
- Force protection and security for staff
- Security assessments at external facilities
- Location of correctional facilities
- Continuity of Services
- Communications
- Capacity of First Responder Staff
- Placement of Critical Infrastructure
Communications

- Infrastructure
- Coordination and Protocols
- Status of telecommunications service
- Reliability of internet service and cellular service
- Requirements for radio/satellite communication capability
- Status of public safety radio communications and emergency alert
- Status of phone infrastructure and emergency line servicing.
Food, Water, Sheltering

- Number of people to evacuate
- Evacuation routes and Evacuation time frame
- Food, water, shelter availability
- Point of Distribution Public and Private
- Impacts to the food supply chain
- Location of water control systems (e.g., dams, levees, storm drains)
- Number and location of open shelters
- Transitional Sheltering Assistance options
- Potential future sheltering requirements
- Status of area agriculture
Transportation

• Inventory of major roads and highways, critical and noncritical bridges
• Status of maintenance and emergency repairs
• Availability of public transit systems including underground rail, buses, and ferry services, railway, airports, ports.
Health and Medical

• Status of acute medical care facilities (e.g., level 1 trauma center), chronic medical care facilities (e.g., long term care centers), primary care and behavioral health facilities.
• Ability to evacuate active patients
• Status of state and local health departments
• Public health advisories
• Availability of mortuary and post-mortuary services
Hazardous Material (Management)

- Amount, type, and containment procedures of hazardous materials
- Inventory of Hazardous materials
- Status of hazardous material supply chain
Energy (Power and Fuel)

- Inventory of electrical power generation and distribution facilities, nuclear within 10 miles, substations.
- Number of people and locations without power
- Availability of temporary power resources
- Status of commercial fuel stations
- Responder fuel availability and status of critical fuel facilities
National Objective (4)

- Low- and Moderate-Income Persons (LMI)
  - LMH (Housing)
  - LMA (Area)
  - LMJ (Jobs)
  - LMC (Limited Clientele)
  - LMB (Buyout)
  - LMHI (Housing Incentives)
National Objective (4) cont.

• New National Objective criteria
  • Urgent Need Mitigation (UNM)
  • Covered Projects

• Removed the National Objective criteria on the elimination of slum and blighting conditions (Slum & Blight) – unless HUD grants a waiver
National Objective (4) cont.

To meet any national objective, all CDBG-MIT funded activities must (page 45856 – third column (notice spacing issue)):

i. Demonstrate the ability to operate for the useful life of the project. Each grantee must plan for the long-term operation and maintenance of infrastructure and public facility projects funded with CDBG-MIT funds.

i. Be consistent with other mitigation activities. The CDBG-MIT activity must be consistent with the other mitigation activities that the grantee will carry out with CDBG-MIT funds in the MID area. To be consistent, the CDBG-MIT activity must not increase the risk of loss of life or property in a way that undermines the benefits from other uses of CDBG-MIT funds in the MID.
National Objective (4) cont.

Urgent Need Mitigation (UNM) – criteria to meet UNM – in addition to meeting MIT criteria (slide 29):

i. addresses the current and future risks as identified in the grantee’s Mitigation Needs Assessment of most impacted and distressed areas; and

ii. will result in a measurable and verifiable reduction in the risk of loss of life and property.
Procurement

- State grantees must comply with the procurement requirements at 24 CFR 570.489(g) and evaluate the cost or price of the product or service.
- State grantees shall establish requirements for procurement policies and procedures for local governments and subrecipients based on full and open competition.
- Local government CDBG-MIT grantees must comply with the specific applicable procurement standards identified in 2 CFR 200.318 through 200.326 (subject to 2 CFR 200.110, as applicable).
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Public Participation

We really, really want to hear from you!

• Public Meetings and Hearings
• One on one meetings/interviews
• Other Public Outreach
• Community Surveys
Generate CDBG-MIT Action Plan

Synthesis of:

1. Mitigation Needs Assessment
2. Correlation with Hazard Mit. Plan
3. Public Participation