



Florida Housing Coalition Hurricane Member Update Webinar

March 26, 2021
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AGENDA

- Announcements
- Rebuild Florida Update

Announcements

- Time to get prepared- see handout Financial Preparation for Hurricanes
- FHC to facilitate 3 Hurricane Sally Housing Recovery Workshops w/ FEMA, FDEM, BRACE and OFR- registration to follow



ALERT: Sadowski Trust Funds/SHIP/SAIL about to be drastically cut by Two Thirds

- 1/3 to remain for housing programs
- 1/3 for Rivers Fund (no housing)
- 1/3 to Resilient Florida (no housing)
- Leaves about \$99M for housing 2021-22
- **What to do-** join Sadowski Affiliates mailing list:
- Email Johnitta Wells at wells@flhousing.org

Rebuild Florida Update

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Rebuild Florida Housing Repair and Replacement Program Overview

Hurricane Michael

March 26, 2021

Objectives



- What is the Rebuild Florida Housing Repair and Replacement Program?
- What are the eligibility requirements?
- Who is prioritized for assistance?
- What structures are eligible?
- How are construction contractors selected?
- How do homeowners apply?
- What documentation is needed to apply?
- What is the process after application?
- Program Update



What is Rebuild Florida?

- The Florida Department of Economic Opportunity (DEO) is the designated state authority responsible for administering all U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Community Development Block Grant – Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR) funding allocated to the state.
- Rebuild Florida was created to brand the state's CDBG-DR efforts.
- The Rebuild Florida Housing Repair and Replacement Program manages and completes the construction process for the repair, reconstruction, or replacement of damaged homes on behalf of eligible homeowners.

Most Impacted and Distressed (MID) Areas



- **HUD Designated MID areas:**

- Bay
- Calhoun
- Franklin
- Gadsden
- Gulf
- Jackson
- Liberty
- Wakulla
- Washington

- **State Designated MID areas:**

- Holmes
- Leon
- Taylor





What are the eligibility requirements?

- Does your property have documented damage from Hurricane Michael?
- Were you the owner of the home on October 10, 2018?
- Were you the primary resident of the damaged property on October 10, 2018?
- Do you currently own the home?
- Is the property within a HUD or state-designated MID area?



Who is prioritized for assistance?

- **Phase 1:** Homeowner is low- or moderate-income (LMI) as defined by HUD and household includes one of the following:
 - Seniors age 62 and older
 - Children under the age of 18
 - Individuals with disabilities
- **Phase 2:** Households that meet the LMI requirement, but do not include individuals with the vulnerabilities listed above.
- **Phase 3:** Households that are above the LMI threshold.



What Structures Are Eligible?

- Single-family stick-built homes may be eligible
- Mobile/Manufactured Home Units (MHUs) may be eligible
- Condominiums, townhomes and other owner-occupied units that share a common wall may be eligible
- Duplexes may be eligible

How Are Construction Contractors Selected?



- The program will manage and complete the repair or replacement of damaged homes.
- DEO has an existing pool of Florida-licensed contractors who were selected through an open and competitive solicitation and have been qualified to work on projects in Hurricane Michael-impacted areas.
- Once an eligible homeowner executes their Homeowner Grant Agreement, the program will assign a contractor to complete work on the home.



Ways to Apply



Online Portal



Mobile
Phone App



Rebuild Florida
Centers, Mobile
Application Events



Customer
Service Center



Rebuild Florida Center Locations



MARIANNA, FL
2917-B Optimist Drive
Marianna, FL 32448

PORT ST. JOE, FL
109 Trade Circle West
Suite 1
Port St. Joe, FL 32456

PANAMA CITY, FL
3109 Minnesota Avenue
Suite 120
Panama City, FL 32405

TALLAHASSEE, FL
545 John Knox Road
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TTY Line 850-870-3992
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Hours of operation are Monday to Saturday 8-6pm CST and EST



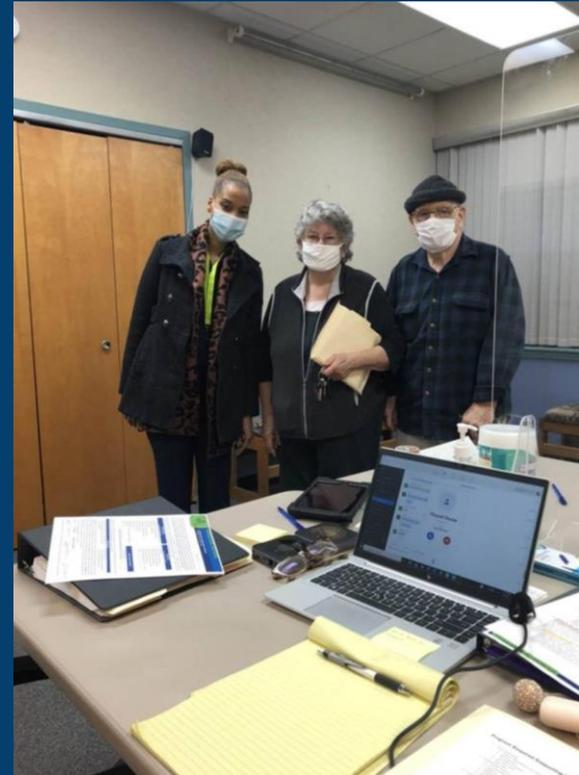
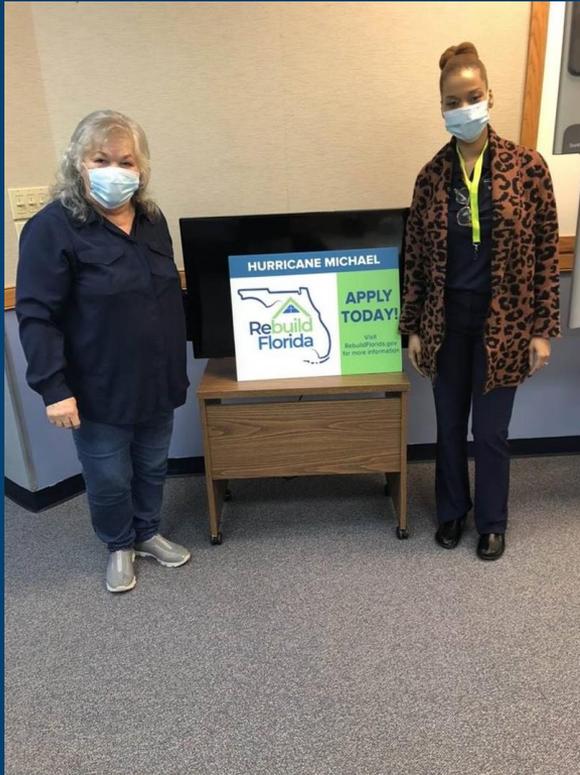


Rebuild Florida Centers

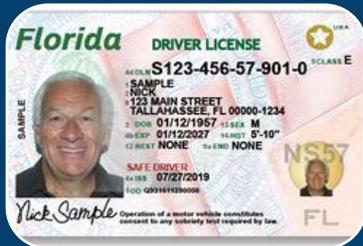


Mobile Pop-Up Application Events

Provides additional opportunities for homeowners to receive assistance with starting and submitting applications.



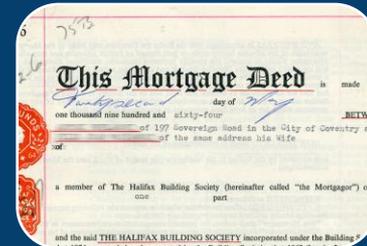
What documentation is needed to apply?



Proof of Identity



Proof of Primary



Proof of Ownership



Income



Current Property Tax



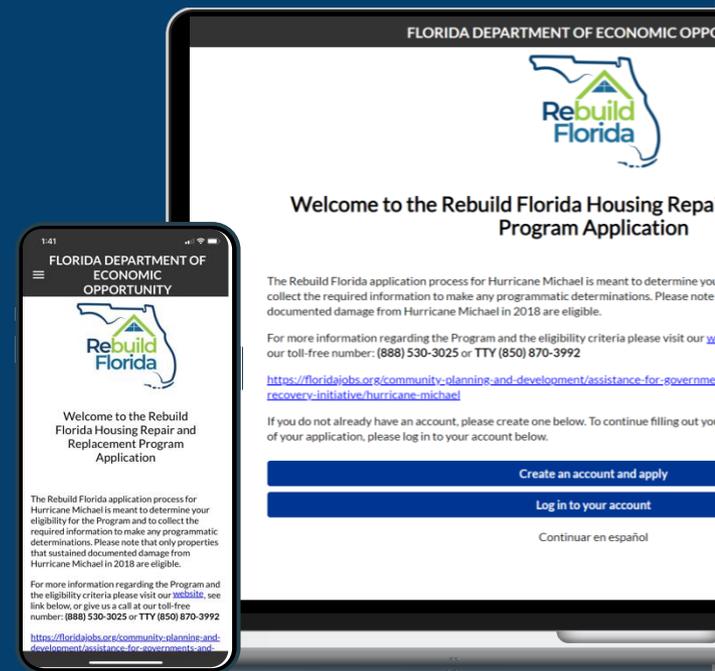
Disaster-Related Damages



- Application Portal is easy to use and navigate
- Multilingual
- Accessibility features
- Easy to access

Security

- The Rebuild Florida application uses multi-factor authentication, using a verification code with the applicant's email.
- Once submitted, application information and documents are deleted from the device.
- Application information is encrypted in transit.



Steps to Recovery



1

APPLICATION

Homeowner will complete an application by submitting all required documentation.

Notification: Homeowner receives confirmation email of application received and a PDF copy of the application that they completed. The application then migrates to our Grant Management System for program review.

2

ELIGIBILITY

Homeowner's preliminary Eligibility will be determined.

Notification: You will be contacted by a Rebuild Florida case manager during your eligibility review if further information is required. After your eligibility review is complete, you will be notified if you are eligible for the Program.

3

"ONE KNOCK" SCHEDULING & PARTICIPATION

Homeowner will be called to schedule and be present for a "One Knock" meeting at their home where the following will occur:

- *Damage and Environmental Assessments*
- *Construction Planning*

Notification: Homeowner (or an authorized designee) will be contacted to schedule and be present for a "One Knock" meeting to conduct the damage assessment, determine environmental considerations, and develop the initial scope of work needed for the extent of construction services.

4

AWARD LETTER

Homeowner will be mailed an Award Letter detailing the construction services they are eligible to receive, and next steps with the Program, once all inspections are passed during the "One Knock" meeting.

Notification: You will receive a letter or phone call once the award determination is available.

5

CONTRACT SIGNING

Homeowner will sign a contract agreement, and other legal documents, and select construction options, such as paint colors and finishes.

Notification: You will be contacted by phone to schedule your appointment to sign the contract agreement.

6

RELOCATION

Construction will promptly begin and Homeowner will temporarily relocate while undergoing construction services.

Notification: Homeowner will proceed to move out temporarily and will be notified by phone and written correspondence when construction is completed.

7

CONSTRUCTION CLOSEOUT

Project is complete.

Notification: Homeowner will be notified of construction closeout and move back into their safe, sanitary and secure home and receive warranty information.

Program Update

- As of March 25, 2021:
 - 2,576 applications started
 - 1,607 applications submitted



Questions



To learn more about the Rebuild Florida Housing Repair and Replacement Program for Hurricane Michael, please visit:

www.RebuildFlorida.gov

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Upcoming Training

April 2: No Webinar

April 9, 2021 1:30 pm

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Homesharing Platform

<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/3609244087503366923>



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