



# RESOURCES AND AVAILABLE PROGRAMS

## INFORMATION ON AVAILABLE PROGRAMS

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### FOR HOMEOWNERS

The Restore Louisiana Homeowner Assistance Program provides critical support to homeowners impacted by Hurricanes Laura, Delta and Ida, and/or the May 2021 Severe Storms to repair or replace their homes, or reimburse them for repairs already completed.

The first step for a homeowner to qualify for assistance is completing a brief survey on any smart phone, computer or tablet at [restore.la.gov](https://restore.la.gov), or by calling the program call center at 866.735.2001 between 8 a.m. – 5 p.m., Monday through Friday.

For more information, see: [www.restore.la.gov](https://www.restore.la.gov).

### HOMEOWNERSHIP RESOURCES

The Louisiana Housing Corporation provides several programs and resources to increase buying power, cover costs and ultimately assist with the purchase of Louisiana residents' first home. The LHC website houses many resources for homebuyers including available counseling services.

Potential first-time homebuyers are able to download the Homebuyer Guide and learn more about Homebuyer Programs here: [lhc.la.gov/homebuyers](https://lhc.la.gov/homebuyers)

See the list of not-for-profit entities that provide support to Louisiana homeowners around the state. The parish in which they are located does not necessarily indicate that they are limited to that parish only, and many provide services for residents across the state: [Resource List](#)

### DISASTER CASE MANAGEMENT PROGRAM (HURRICANE IDA ONLY)

The Louisiana Disaster Case Management (DCM) Program may be able to provide some assistance in connecting residents with alternative recovery resources as well as assisting with FEMA appeals. Residents should reach out to the DCM firm that services their parish, and information is provided below:

#### **Catholic Charities of Baton Rouge**

Phone: 1-800-560-0200

Ascension, East Baton Rouge, East Feliciana, Livingston, Pointe Coupee, St. Helena, Tangipahoa, Washington, West Baton Rouge, and West Feliciana

#### **Catholic Charities Archdiocese of New Orleans**



Phone: 1-985-605-5846  
Orleans, St. Charles, St. John the Baptist, and St. Tammany

### **Endeavors**

Phone: 1-504-224-4622  
Assumption, Iberville, Jefferson, Plaquemines, St. Bernard, and St. James

### **Workforce Group**

Phone: 1-985-302-0135  
Iberia, Lafourche, St. Martin, St. Mary, and Terrebonne

The Hurricane Ida intake application can be completed on the website here: [Disaster Case Management Intake Application](#)

## **FOR RENTERS**

The Louisiana Housing Corporation administers several rental programs offering decent, safe, affordable, community-based housing that provide tenants with the rights of tenancy and connections to voluntary and flexible support and services for people with very low incomes and chronic, disabling health conditions.

For more information, see: [lhc.la.gov/rental-opportunities](http://lhc.la.gov/rental-opportunities)

## **FOR LANDLORDS**

### **Rental Restoration and Development Program**

The Rental Restoration and Development Program (RRDP) provides assistance to developers of in-fill residential rental housing in declared disaster areas affected by the 2020-21 disaster events (Hurricanes Laura, Delta and Ida and/or May 2021 Severe Storms). The Louisiana Housing Corporation started accepting applications in May 2023 from applicants who will construct new residential rental housing units or renovate residential rental housing units in the specified areas.

For more information, see: [restore.la.gov/rental-restoration-and-development-program](http://restore.la.gov/rental-restoration-and-development-program)

### **Middle –Market Loan Program (MMLP)**

The Middle-Market Loan Program is a competitive program that provides assistance for developers to create multifamily rental units that feature certain disaster-resilience characteristics by primarily using conventional financing, CDBG-DR funds and developer equity housing in declared disaster areas affected by the 2020-21 disaster events. Developers may not combine these CDBG-DR funds with Low Income Housing Tax Credits. CDBG-DR funds will be loaned at an interest rate selected by the applicant and will be payable from Surplus Cash based on program terms and conditions and will be fully repaid no later than Year 10.

### **Prime Program (Piggyback)**

The Prime Program (Piggyback) objective is to create multifamily rental units by primarily using LHC Tax-Exempt Bonds, CDBG-DR funds (structured as soft first or second mortgages), and equity from the sale of 4% LIHTCs, allowable in accordance with Section 42(h)(4) of the Code. All developments funded through the program are to primarily benefit low- and moderate-income populations. Awards will not be less than Two Million Dollars (\$2,000,000) in CDBG-DR gap financing to any individual property housing in declared disaster areas affected by the 2020-21 disaster events.



### **Rental Affordability Preservation Program**

The Rental Affordability Preservation Program will support the improvement, affordability and stability of units that serve LMI renters. This program aims to ensure decent, safe and sanitary housing in good repair for Louisianans regardless of their economic status, and to stem displacement of LMI households from neighborhoods experiencing speculation and rising rents. RAPP will provide gap financing to qualified applicants to support the acquisition and rehabilitation of rental properties that serve residents at 30% to 80% AMI, and which require rehabilitation to meet HUD standards of being decent, safe, sanitary and in good repair. This program will target areas with low concentrations of housing units, and that are undergoing substantial development, experiencing rising rents and speculative acquisitions and other indicators of imminent displacement for LMI residents housing in declared disaster areas affected by the 2020-21 disaster events.

For more information on these programs, see: [lhc.la.gov/rental-opportunities](https://lhc.la.gov/rental-opportunities)

## **FOR PARISHES AND MUNICIPALITIES: INFRASTRUCTURE PROGRAMS**

### **Resilient Communities Infrastructure Program**

The Resilient Communities Infrastructure Program will expand and improve resilient community planning through infrastructure projects in impacted areas, working to reduce overall risk to the population and structures from future hazard events while also reducing reliance on federal funding for future disasters. Local government entities in the affected areas were awarded and notified.

For more information, see: [restore.la.gov/resilient-communities-program](https://restore.la.gov/resilient-communities-program)

### **Nonfederal Share Match Program**

The Nonfederal Share Match Program provides non-federal match funding for FEMA Public Assistance grants to offset the burden of local match requirements for infrastructure repair and rebuilding projects.

Phase I of this program will be match reimbursements for Category A and B only. The program is currently reviewing submitted projects to determine eligible LMI projects to be selected for global match funding.

Information will be posted on Restore Louisiana website when project launches: [restore.la.gov/programs](https://restore.la.gov/programs)

## **FOR PARISHES AND MUNICIPALITIES: ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS**

### **Hometown Revitalization Program**

The Hometown Revitalization Program helps reinvigorate commercial districts damaged by the designated storms. The program encourages new economic opportunities in affected communities and supports recovery in established commercial areas. Local government entities in the affected areas were awarded and notified.

For more information, see: [restore.la.gov/hometown-revitalization-program](https://restore.la.gov/hometown-revitalization-program)



## FOR SMALL BUSINESSES AND NON-PROFITS

### Small Business Loan Program

The Small Business Loan Program helps disaster-affected small businesses and non-profits recover from the designated storms through a loan program for non-construction expenses. The state will provide loans through participating non-profit lenders who will implement and administer the program.

For more information, see: [restore.la.gov/small-business-loan-program](https://restore.la.gov/small-business-loan-program)