## **CDBG-MITIGATION**

South Carolina Disaster Recovery Office

CDBG-MIT UPDATE APRIL 1, 2020

**HEADLINE:** On March 16th, the SCDRO CDBG-Mitigation program has initially postponed all planned activities for 45-days, as we continue to monitor and adhere to policies implemented to protect the health and safety of the public due to the pandemic. However, we are continuing communications and progressing with HUD for South Carolina's allocation.

## **Mitigation Application Clinics**



The clinics to give local governments guidance on the application process for the impending HUD CDBG-Mitigation funds *will be rescheduled*. We are reassessing the schedule on a weekly basis to determine the new dates.

Government officials will be notified by email once the new dates have been confirmed.

## **Mitigation Action Plan**



On February 1, 2020 the State of South Carolina Department of Administration Disaster Recovery Office (SCDRO) submitted a draft Action Plan to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for the utilization of Community Development Block Grant Mitigation (CDBG-MIT) funds awarded under the Further Additional Supplemental Appropriations for Disaster Relief Requirements Act of 2018 (Pub. L. 115–123) and detailed in the Federal Register at 84 FR 45838.

The Action Plan was circulated for review. Comments were received from FEMA as well as HUD's offices of Fair Housing and Equal Opportunity, Public and Indian Housing, Environment and Energy, and Real Estate Acquisition and Relocation. Based on that draft with amendment and additions, comments and SCDRO responses, we are pleased to announce that HUD has *approved South Carolina's Action Plan*.

## COVID-19

The South Carolina Department of Administration (Admin) continues to monitor the 2019 novel coronavirus (COVID-19). The SC Disaster Recovery Office, along with other state agencies will continue to provide services and programs to South Carolinians and the agencies we serve throughout this public health event. In accordance with Governor McMaster's State of Emergency declaration, we are engaged in proactive measures to help safeguard the health and safety of the workplaces by maximizing telecommuting and work from home options. We continue to work while protecting the health and safety of our employees. All non-essential staff are working from home as directed by the Governor.



We remain available to address any question or concerns you have regarding the CDBG-Mitigation program. Please feel free to contact us Monday through Friday, from 8:30 AM—5:00 PM. Contact information below.

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