Federal Roundtable and Partnerships

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 Josh Human, FEMA
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Introduction to BRIC Program and Partnerships

Josh Human, FEMA



BRIC's Guiding Principles



Support Community
Capability & Capacity Building



Encourage and Enable Innovation



Promote Partnerships



Enable Large Infrastructure Projects



Maintain Flexibility



Provide Consistency





BRIC Priorities

- Mitigate the risk to public infrastructure
- Incentivize resilient investments in disadvantaged communities, as referenced in EO 14008 (Tackling the Climate Crisis at Home and Abroad)
- Mitigate risk to one or more community lifelines
- Incorporate nature-based solutions
- Enhance climate resilience and adaptation
- Incentivize the adoption and enforcement of the latest published editions of building codes

BRIC encourages mitigation projects that meet multiple program priorities

FY 2021 BRIC - Available Funding



\$1 Billion

- State/Territory Allocation: \$56 million (up to \$1 million per Applicant)
 - All 50 states, the District of Columbia, and U.S. territories may apply under the State/Territory Allocation
 - Any funds not awarded from the State/Territory Allocation will be re-allocated to the national competition
- Tribal Set-Aside: \$25 million
 - All Indian tribal governments (federally recognized) may apply under the Tribal Set-Aside
 - Any funds not awarded from the Tribal Set-Aside will be re-allocated to the non-financial Direct Technical Assistance for tribes or the national competition
- National Competition for Mitigation Projects: \$919 million (estimated)



BRIC Capability- and Capacity- Building Activities





FY 2021 BRIC - Direct Technical Assistance

Double the number of communities supported through Direct Technical Assistance

Non-financial Direct Technical Assistance will be provided to up to **20 selected communities** to support the mitigation outcomes listed below:





Partnership Framework

Partnership Guiding Principles:



Support Community Capability & Capacity Building



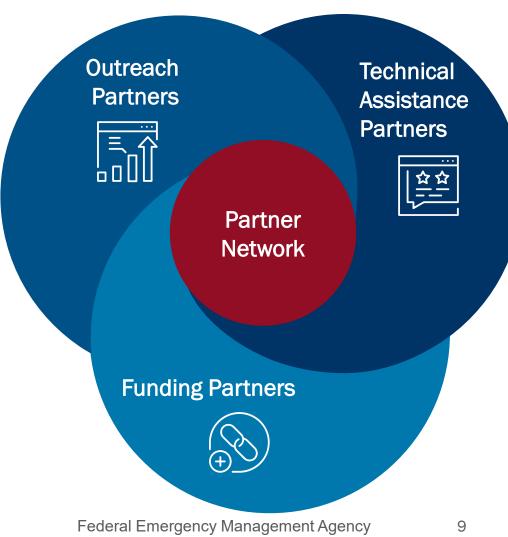
Promote Partnerships



Identify Funding Avenues

Partnering with other federal agencies and state, local, tribal, and territorial governments, the private sector and non-governmental organizations amplifies mitigation investment and its effects





Readiness and Environmental Protection Integration (REPI) Program Overview

Andy Porth, Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense







Readiness and Environmental Protection Integration (REPI) Program Overview

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Sustaining DoD's Mission

Most DoD installations and ranges were once located in open, undeveloped landscapes that were compatible with our testing, training, and operational missions





Sustaining DoD's Mission — Sustainment Programs and Tools

An installation or partner organization can leverage several programs and tools to best address the identified threats



REPI Program Components

Landscape Partnerships (\$\$)

- Sentinel Landscapes (sentinellandscapes.org)
- Southeast Regional Partnership for Planning and Sustainability (serppas.org)
- Western Regional Partnership (wrpinfo.org)
- Americas Longleaf Restoration Initiative (americaslongleaf.org)



Stakeholder Engagements (\$)

- Internal DoD coordination and collaboration – DoD Natural Resource and Water Resources & Resilience Programs, Office of Local Defense Community Coordination, Military Departments, etc.
- External coordination and collaboration with Federal agencies, State agencies, Local communities, NGOs, Academic Institutions, Foundations, etc.

Encroachment Management Projects (\$\$\$)

- Installation and range level implementation
- Installation resilience justification (added in the FY19 National Defense Authorization Act)
- Matching funds from ANY conservation or resilience program of ANY federal agency





REPI Project Locations

DoD has leveraged \$1 billion with over \$975 million in non-Department partner contributions to protect 757K acres of land, safeguarding vital test, training, and operational assets and capabilities in 115 locations in 35 states and territories.



Relevant REPI Authorities

10 U.S.C. § 2684a

- Allows the recipient of REPI funds to acquire real property interests or water rights for property in the vicinity of, or ecologically related to, a military installation, range or airspace to:
 - Limit development or use of the property that is incompatible with the installation's mission and/or
 - Preserve habitat to relieve current or anticipated environmental restrictions on military activities and/or
 - 3. Maintain or improve military installation resilience

10 U.S.C. § 2684a(h): DoD Funds as Match Authority

Allows the recipient of REPI funds to use such funds as the match or cost-sharing requirement for ANY conservation or resilience program of ANY federal agency (including the BRIC Program)

10 U.S.C. § 2679: Intergovernmental Support Agreement (IGSA)

 Authorizes the Military Departments to enter into agreements with eligible entities to provide, receive, or share installation support activities





REPI Budget

Fiscal Year 2022 Budget

 The official President's Fiscal Year 2022 budget request for REPI is \$150 million.

2022 REPI Challenge

- Up to \$40 million is available for the 2022 REPI
 Challenge application cycle; \$25 million of that total may be allocated toward climate resilient projects
- Any state government, political subdivision of a state, or private entity whose organizational purpose or goal is conservation, restoration or preservation of land and natural resources are welcome to apply



NWS Earle received FY20 REPI Challenge funding to execute a variety of resiliency initiatives across 1.6 million acres.





REPI and FEMA Coordination

DoD Funds as Match Authority

 REPI funds can be used to satisfy the BRIC Program's 25% or 10% cost sharing requirement

Military Service Engagement

 The REPI Office continues to promote the BRIC Program through direct engagement with the Military Services

2022 REPI Challenge Request for Proposals

 Highly evaluated proposals will leverage other federal, state, and non-profit resilience programs that help build capacity and implement natural infrastructure solutions



Marines at Camp Pendleton, CA conducted a realistic training exercise to increase unit preparation for future challenges across air, land, sea, space and cyber domains.









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U.S. Department of Energy: Tribal, State, and Local Energy Resilience Programs

Tommy Jones and Virginia Castro, U.S. Department of Energy



DOE OFFICE OF INDIAN ENERGY

DOE Indian Energy Program Overview

Dr. Tommy Jones, Deployment Specialist





Office of Indian Energy



The DOE Office of Indian Energy is charged by Congress under the **Indian Tribal Energy Development and Self Determination Act of 2005** (Energy Policy Act of 2005 (EPAct 2005), Title V, codified at 42 USC § 15801) to "provide, direct, foster, coordinate, and implement energy planning, education, management, conservation, and delivery programs that –

- (1) promote Indian tribal energy development, efficiency, and use;
- (2) reduce or stabilize energy costs;
- (3) enhance and strengthen Indian tribal energy and economic infrastructure relating to natural resource development and electrification; and
- (4) **bring electrical power and service to Indian land and the homes** of tribal members located on Indian lands or acquired, constructed, or improved (in whole or in part) with Federal funds."



Deployment Program



Financial Assistance

We facilitate tribal energy project development through financial assistance (competitively awarded grants).



Technical Assistance

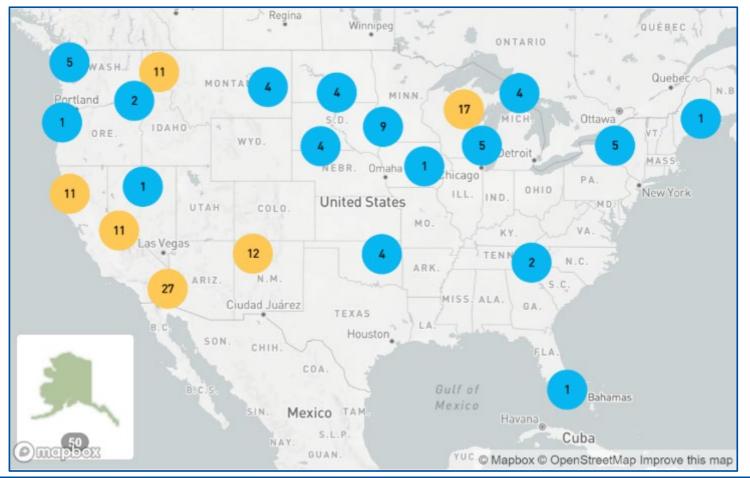
We provide federally recognized Indian tribes, including Alaska Native villages, regional and village corporations, tribal energy resource development organizations, and other tribal groups and communities, with technical assistance to advance tribal energy and infrastructure projects, at no charge.



Education and Capacity Building

Thorough regional workshops, webinars, and college student internships, we support tribal efforts to build internal capacity to develop energy projects and navigate energy markets.

Invested over \$100 million in more than 190 tribal energy projects valued at over \$180 million (2010-2020)



Annual Program Review

Unique Tribal Forum for Sharing and Learning

- Forum for Tribes to meet and learn from other each other and to share their successes and challenges
- Networking & learning opportunity
- Hear about 40 to 50 Tribal energy from across the country
- ~200 participants



Sheraton Denver West Hotel in Lakewood, Colorado

For more, see https://www.energy.gov/indianenergy/projects/program-review

Funding Resources

- Current Funding Opportunities
 List of open tribal energy related
 funding opportunities from federal
 agencies and other sources
- Ongoing Opportunities
 Ongoing federal grant, loan, and technical assistance programs available from more than 10 federal agencies to support energy development and deployment in Indian Country and Alaska Native villages.



Technical Assistance

The goal of technical assistance is to address a specific challenge or fulfill a need that is essential to a current project's successful implementation.

The intended result of this technical assistance is a **tangible product or specific deliverable** designed to help move a project forward.

"This is government money well spent. This assistance is helping our people afford to live in the village. Thank you!"

Types of Technical Assistance

Technical Analysis







Informational Resources

Information Resources

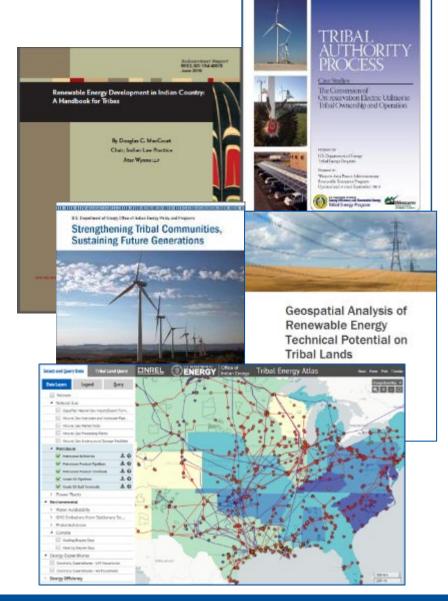
- Energy Resource Library publications, websites, videos, and more.
- Curriculum Foundational and Advanced Courses
 Educational webinars

Workshops & Webinars

- Monthly Webinars
 Monthly webinars provide foundational information, resources and case studies
- Periodic Workshops
 Workshop on specific topics

Tribal Energy Atlas

Interactive Geospatial Tool



Assisting Tribes Achieve Their Energy Vision



Clockwise from top right: Alaska Village Electric Cooperative, Inc. (AVEC) and Bethel Native Corporation's (BNC) installed a 900 kW turbine to power the communities of Bethel and Oscarville, AK; Northway Village (AK) resiliency through energy efficiency and solar; Soboba Band of Luiseño Indians (CA) install 1 MW solar; Menominee Tribal Enterprise (WI) install a biomass combined heat and power system; Picuris Pueblo (NM) install 1 MW solar; and in the middle, Gwichyaa Zhee Gwich'in Tribal Government (AK) installed 18 kW solar system on the Tribal Office.



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Weatherization & Intergovernmental Programs

State Energy Program

SEP Provides funding and technical assistance to states, the District of Columbia, and U.S. territories to:

- Enhance energy security
- Advance state-led energy initiatives
- Increase energy affordability

ENERGY RESILIENCY LOW-COST FINANCING PROGRAMS STORY DISTRIBUTED GENERATION COMBINED HEAT AND POWER COMMERCIAL DIMPROVED HOME ENERGY EFFICIENCY MATERIAL DIMPROVED HOME ENERGY EFFICIENCY STATE ENERGY PLANNING IMPROVED APPLIANCES ENERGY ENERGY WATER SAVINGS WATER SAVINGS FINANCING PROGRAMS ENERGY ENER

For more information <u>Weatherization and Intergovernmental Programs Office</u> <u>Department of Energy</u>

Weatherization Assistance Program

WAP provides formula funding to all states, the District of Columbia, Native American tribes, and U.S. territories to

Reduce energy costs for low-income households by increasing the energy efficiency of their homes, while ensuring their health and safety



Reduces energy burden for lowincome families, who spend 14% of income on energy vs 3%



\$583/year savings in pay per year due to fewer missed workdays



\$514/year savings in a household's out-of-pocket medical expenses

- 35,000 homes weatherized annually (10-year average)
- Develops and supports the workforce with over 8,500 direct and indirect jobs.
- Over 7 million households have received weatherization services since WAP's inception.

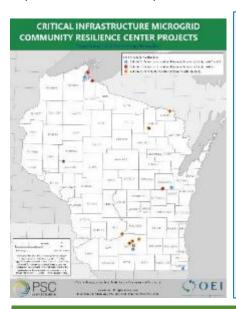


SEP Project Example: WISCONSIN

Critical Infrastructure Microgrid and Community Resilience Centers Pilot Grant Program

Funding: \$985,000

Financial assistance program implemented by the Public Service Commission of Wisconsin's (Commission) Office of Energy Innovation (OEI).



Project Objectives:

innovative pre-disaster mitigation through critical infrastructure microgrids and other resilient building strategies for:

- Community Resilience Centers
- Single facility (Hospital)
- Multiple facilities (University campus)
- Advanced microgrid for multiple customers and sites:

16 Grantees: Local and Tribal Governments
Participating

Statewide Assistance for Energy Reliability and Resiliency (SAFER2)

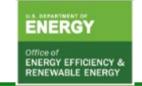
Funding: \$300,000

Partners: Wisconsin Emergency Management, Focus on Energy, Public Service Commission of Wisconsin, Wisconsin Clean Cities, Wisconsin Energy Institute.

<u>Project Objectives</u>: Provide technical assistance to local governments to advance energy resilience planning.

- Host regional educational roundtable events and crossjurisdictional tabletop exercises.
- Develop an energy assurance website with resources for technical assistance.
- Create a local government Energy Resiliency Handbook.
- Make recommendations for energy technology integration into mitigation plans including: energy efficiency, renewable energy, micro-grids, and solar+storage on critical facilities

For more information visit https://psc.wi.gov/Pages/Programs/OEI/Energy-Security.aspx



Additional Resources

DOE State and Local Solution Center

Email Us: stateandlocal@ee.doe.gov

State & Local Solution Center: Resilience in the Public Sector

Federal Financial Assistance Programs for Resilience Activities

Federal Resilience Resources for State Energy Offices

National Renewable Energy Laboratory State, Local, and Tribal Program

How Distributed Energy Resources Can Improve Resilience in Public Buildings: Three Case Studies and a Step-by-Step Guide

Better Buildings Efficiency-Resilience Nexus

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Resilience Activities and Partnerships

Abby Hall, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency



Memorandum of Agreement





- Sets up coordination of activities between EPA's sustainable communities, smart growth, environmental, and community technical assistance programs and FEMA's disaster recovery planning and hazard mitigation programs.
- Seeks to provide lessons learned for EPA, FEMA, and other federal agencies that can be used to build a stronger federal framework for mitigation planning as well as pre- and post-disaster recovery planning and operations.
- Seeks to provide a collaborative framework for policy work related to both hazard mitigation planning and climate change adaptation to create more resilient communities.

EPA Expertise Related to Mitigation

EPA now has Disaster Mitigation Coordinators and Recovery Coordinators in all 10 Regional Offices

- Debris planning & management
- Hazardous site cleanup
- Materials reuse & recycling
- Community engagement & environmental justice
- Climate adaptation

- Green infrastructure planning & design
- Water & wastewater infrastructure design
- Watershed protection
- NEPA review & environmental regulation
- Data analysis & mapping

EPA Tools & Guides





CHANGING LAND USE AND BUILDING CODES AND POLICIES
TO PREPARE FOR CLIMATE CHANGE

Office of Sustainable Community Smart Growth Program

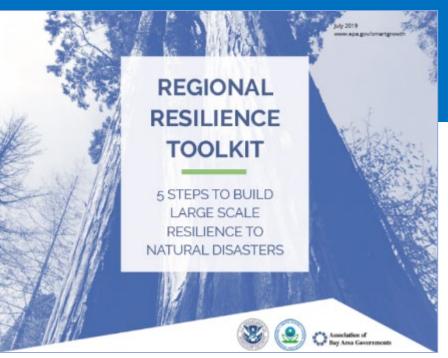




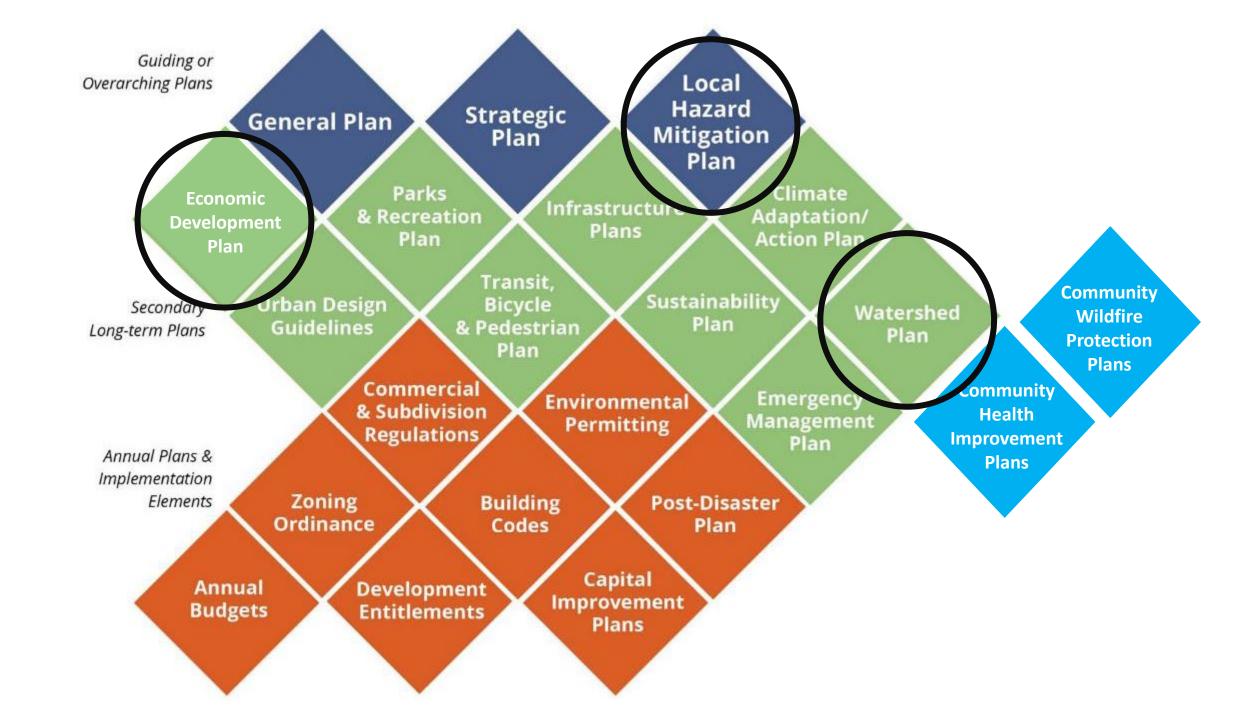












Building Blocks for Regional Resilience: Nolensville, TN

EPA is providing Nolensville with planning analyses and community development approaches that can:

- Mitigate flood risks
- Protect the integrity of Mill Creek and its tributaries
- Provide open space accessibility and connectivity, and
- Preserve the sense of place and community character of Nolensville.

DELIVERABLES

Environmental Conditions
Assessment & Baseline Mapping

Resilience Focus Area Mapping

Overlay Proposed Developments & Resilience Focus Areas

Updates for Zoning Ordinance & Major Thoroughfare Plan



U.S. EPA Greening America's Communities project in Caño Martín Peña 2018

Funding: EPA's State Revolving Loan Funds

- EPA-funded State Revolving Fund (SRF) program to assist and collaborate with FEMA disaster and mitigation assistance grant programs.
- Specifically, SRF can meet cost sharing requirements or provide interim financing for FEMA-funded projects.
- SRFs can be used a bridge loan or supplement until reimbursement by FEMA



Community Development Block Grants for Disaster Recovery and Mitigation

Robin Keegan, U.S. Department of Housing & Urban Development







Community Development Block Grants for Disaster Recovery & Mitigation

How HUD funding can tackle the climate crisis and build resilient communities



Framing the Climate Crisis

The Climate Crisis

- The United States and the world face a profound climate crisis
- We have a narrow moment to pursue action in order to avoid the most catastrophic climate impacts and build a resilient America
- Tackling the climate crisis presents an opportunity to achieve HUD's mission of creating strong, sustainable, inclusive communities and quality affordable homes for all









Disproportionate impacts of climate change

Climate change disproportionately harms Americans who already suffer the burdens of systemic racism and residential segregation.

- Formerly redlined neighborhoods often have fewer trees and more pavement, leaving them hotter and more likely to flood
- Damages from extreme weather events have been shown to increase wealth inequality
- HUD is working hard to elevate equity in all our processes, from start to finish, to build a more equitable and resilient future for our nation's communities
- Our Community Development Block Grants for Disaster Recovery and Mitigation are a great example of these efforts









CDBG-DR & MIT Overview

Building Climate Resilience

- Community Development Block Grants help move the Administration's climate and equity goals forward
- CDBG-DR and CDBG-MIT grants allow American communities to:
 - Build back better after disasters, especially for low-income residents and historically marginalized communities
 - Proactively implement innovative climate adaptation solutions that will make their communities more resilient and equitable in the long-term





Community Development Block Grants for Disaster Recovery

CDBG-DR provides flexible grants to help cities, counties, and states to recover from Presidentially declared disasters, especially in low-income areas

 Congress may appropriate additional funding for the CDBG Program as Disaster Recovery grants to rebuild the affected areas and provide crucial seed money to start the recovery process

CDBG-DR focuses on long-term recovery efforts to help communities and neighborhoods that otherwise might not recover due to limited resources

- Last defense funding to address unmet need other federal programs have not yet addressed
- Can address restoration of infrastructure, housing recovery, economic development, and mitigation activities

NOTE: CDBG-DR is not a program – statutory authority is via individual supplemental appropriations









- CDBG-DR is one of the nation's largest climate adaptation programs focused exclusively on low- and moderate-income populations.
- Through CDBG-DR, HUD spends billions of dollars helping low-income communities respond to and recover from the most devastating disasters.
- HUD is also transforming traditional disaster recovery by investing in adaptation and resilience planning, assisting vulnerable communities to mitigate the impacts of natural disasters before they strike.



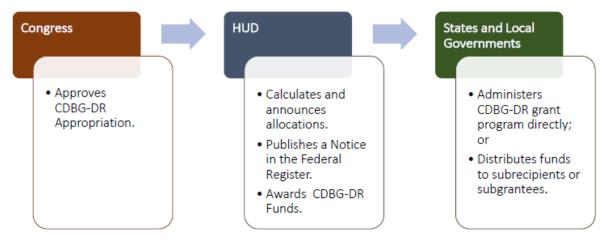


CDBG-DR Funding and **Management**

CDBG-DR Grant Portfolio (May 2021)

- 137 Grants
 - \$89.8 Billion Allocated
 - \$67 Billion in Active Grants
- 62 Active Grantees
 - 130 Active Grants

The Disaster is Presidentially Declared







National Disaster Resilience Competition / Rebuild by Design

Congress appropriated almost \$1 billion in CDBG funds for the National Disaster Resilience Competition for qualifying disasters in 2011 – 2013.

The program funded disaster recovery and long-term resilience.







Community Development Block Grant Mitigation

CDBG-MIT is a unique opportunity for grantees to use this assistance in areas impacted by recent disasters to mitigate disaster risks and reduce future losses from the increasing impacts of climate change

Congress appropriated more than \$12 billion in CDBG funds for mitigation activities for qualifying disasters in 2015, 2016, 2017, and 2018.

The program defines disaster mitigation as 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















U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development Community Resilience Toolkit

Resilience Toolkit

To further address the disproportionate impact of climate change on our most vulnerable communities, HUD is building our library of climate resources to better support the communities we serve.

HUD's <u>Community Resilience toolkit</u> is designed to help governments, stakeholders, and residents learn about actions they can take to defend themselves against natural hazards like heat, wildfires, droughts, and floods.



Case Studies

- Collaboration and Coordination
- Economic Resilience





Lafourche Parish, Louisiana (NDRC)

Resilient Housing Prototype - \$7,283,000

- High density on a reduced footprint which will be resilient to flooding and wind damage
- Incorporates clean energy practices and conservation-minded components
- Landscaping and shared green space will manage stormwater while adding beauty to the surrounding neighborhood

*Minimal damage from Hurricane Ida due to the mitigation measures put in place by the State of Louisiana



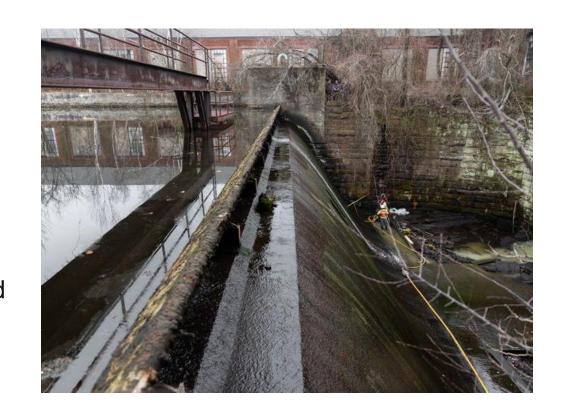




Springfield, Massachusetts

Watershops Dam Resilience Project and Solar Installation - \$2,500,000

- The dam protects multiple downtown majority lowincome neighborhoods from catastrophic flooding
- Upgrades will prevent future failure of the dam, allowing for water level decrease in advance of heavy rains in order to increase pond capacity
- The city will also install solar power and on-site battery storage at Brookings School, newly designed and built to be transformed into a community disaster response location and provide a back-up power source in the event of extended energy interruption









State of Virginia (NDRC)

Nation's first-of-its-kind resilience innovation hub, RISE, which provides resources to develop and grow resilience-building solutions for coastal communities. Since 2018, RISE has provided financial support and services to 27 businesses developing new, scalable solutions that help coastal communities adapt to flooding and sea level rise challenges.

A few of the projects now underway:

- Solutions that reroute drivers in real-time to avoid flooded roads.
- Mobile manufacturing units that produce custom shoreline protection structures to mitigate flooding faster, safer, and more affordably (Natrx).
- Stormwater monitoring software and sensors providing realtime tracking, alerts, and analytics to prevent flooding, decrease costs and help prioritize retrofits (StormSensor).
- Street-level stormwater holding systems that are quicker to install and easier to maintain (InfraSGA).







Discussion



BRIC Program Support Materials

- BRIC Website
- FY 2021 BRIC Notice of Funding Opportunity
- BRIC Resources
 - BRIC Technical Criteria
 - BRIC Qualitative Criteria
 - BRIC Building Codes Activities
 - BRIC Mitigation Planning Activities
 - BRIC Partnership Activities
 - BRIC Project Scoping Activities
 - BRIC Phased Projects
 - BRIC Direct Technical Assistance
 - BRIC Tribal Information
 - Mitigation Action Portfolio



www.fema.gov/bric

Need Help?

General questions about the BRIC program can be directed to the appropriate <u>State Hazard Mitigation Officer</u> or <u>FEMA Regional</u> Office.

- General BRIC Questions and State Application Deadlines:
 State Hazard Mitigation Officer
- FEMA GO Helpline: femago@fema.dhs.gov or 1-877-611-4700
- Benefit Cost Analysis (BCA) Helpline: BCHelpline@fema.dhs.gov or 1-855-540-6744
- Feasibility and Effectiveness Helpline:
 FEMA-BuildingScienceHelp@fema.dhs.gov
- Environmental and Historic Preservation:
 EHPHelpline@fema.dhs.gov or 1-866-222-3580
- Hazard Mitigation Assistance (HMA) Helpline:
 1-866-222-3580

Additional Resources

FEMA Resources

- <u>Unified Hazard Mitigation Assistance Guidance & Addendum</u>
- HMA Cost Share Guide
- Benefit-Cost Analysis Toolkit
- Building Community Resilience with Nature
 Based Solutions: A Guide for Local Communities



2021 BRIC and FMA Programs Webinars and Office Hours

- FEMA's Hazard Mitigation Assistance
 Division will hold office hours for the BRIC and FMA Programs on the following dates:
 - October 19, 21, 26, and 28



Recordings and presentations from the BRIC and FMA Programs Webinars are available at:

https://www.fema.gov/grants/mitigation/2021-building-resilient-infrastructure-and-communities-and-flood-mitigation-assistance-programs





Thank you

