Livingston Parish to Receive an Additional \$622K for Flood Recovery

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BATON ROUGE, La. — FEMA's Public Assistance program has awarded Livingston Parish with an additional \$622,000 to assist with emergency protective measures following the 2016 August floods.

Disaster funding will reimburse Livingston parish for medical and evacuation costs of nearly 600 inmates as well as for animal rescue and housing services for the parish's animal shelter. Funding also includes reimbursements for the Livingston Parish Gas and Utility Company to help with flood damage to more than 131 gas meters that were submerged under water for several days. To date, FEMA has awarded Livingston parish nearly \$22 million for disaster recovery.

As of May 15, FEMA's Public Assistance program has obligated \$350 million to reimburse local and state governments as well as certain private nonprofits for the repair or replacement of disaster-damaged facilities and infrastructure. The funds also cover debris removal and emergency response activities in designated parishes.

FEMA's Public Assistance program helps to repair or replace critical infrastructure, such as roads, bridges, public buildings and schools. PA offers supplemental financial assistance on a cost-sharing basis. FEMA typically reimburses 75 percent of eligible PA expenses. However, FEMA will reimburse applicants 90 percent of eligible PA expenses given the magnitude of the August floods.

