

STATE OF NEBRASKA

# Community Development Block Grant - Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR) Program Overview

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# Introduction to CDBG-DR

The United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) administers the CDBG-DR Program.



Congress appropriates CDBG-DR funding



HUD awards funding to Grantees



State submits Action Plan to HUD for approval



State implements approved Action Plan

*Timing between Congress appropriating funds to funds hitting the ground varies.*

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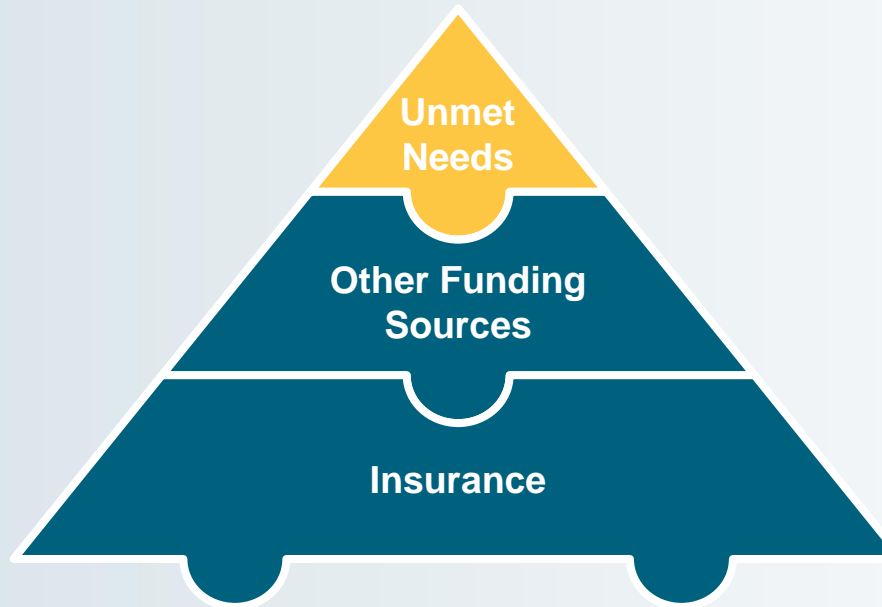
- CDBG-DR provides flexible grants to support **long-term recovery** efforts.
- DR is a CDBG subprogram with unique characteristics: [CDBG and CDBG-DR: A Comparison - HUD Exchange](#).

CDBG-DR funds must be used for:

*“...necessary expenses related to disaster relief, long-term recovery, and restoration of infrastructure, housing, and economic revitalization...”*

# Addressing Unmet Need

CDBG-DR funds are last defense funding to address unmet needs that have not been met by other funding sources.



# Disaster Response Timeline

*Immediate Response*



- Federal disaster declaration
- FEMA takes the lead coordination and response role, focusing on triage.
- Collaboration with SBA, other federal and state actors, Red Cross, etc.

*Initial Recovery*



- Assessing the damage: Homeowners and communities in conjunction with local, state, and federal governments and insurance companies.
- Accessing recovery aid from FEMA IA & SBA loans, DHAP, and FEMA PA for municipalities.
- First estimates of Unmet Recovery Need informs federal supplemental appropriation request.

*Longer-Term Recovery*



- Appropriation enacted: FEMA (IA, PA, & HMGP), HUD, SBA, SSBG, NFIP, FTA, FHA, USACE, etc.
- **HUD (CDBG-DR): HUD determines allocations to state and local governments based on unmet needs analysis and publishes allocations in the Federal Register.**
- **States and municipalities reassess unmet recovery need in Initial Action Plans.**
- **States and local governments begin standing up long-term recovery programs.**

# Implementing CDBG-DR Resources

Once HUD approves the Action Plan, the State must stand up programs. The Action Plan includes high-level program information only. Application Guidelines, forms, guidance and other technical assistance must be created to ensure effective, equitable long-term recovery and program compliance.



State creates program materials for all HUD-approved programs



State markets, leads trainings, etc. for all programs



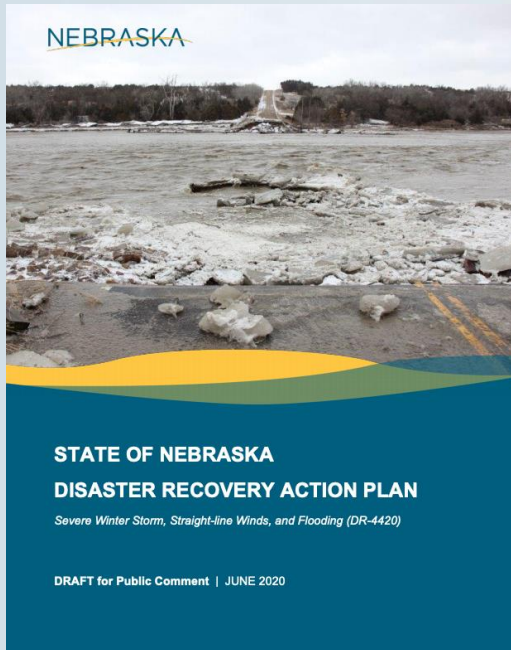
State enters into agreements for program delivery



State, HUD, et al. monitor programs for compliance

*Timing between HUD approving the Action Plan to funds hitting the ground varies and is dependent upon the grant agreement and any conditions.*

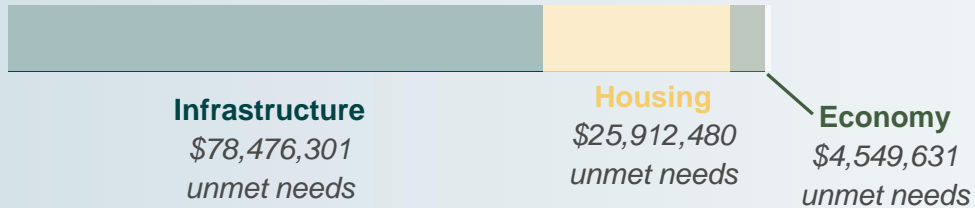
# State of Nebraska's Action Plan



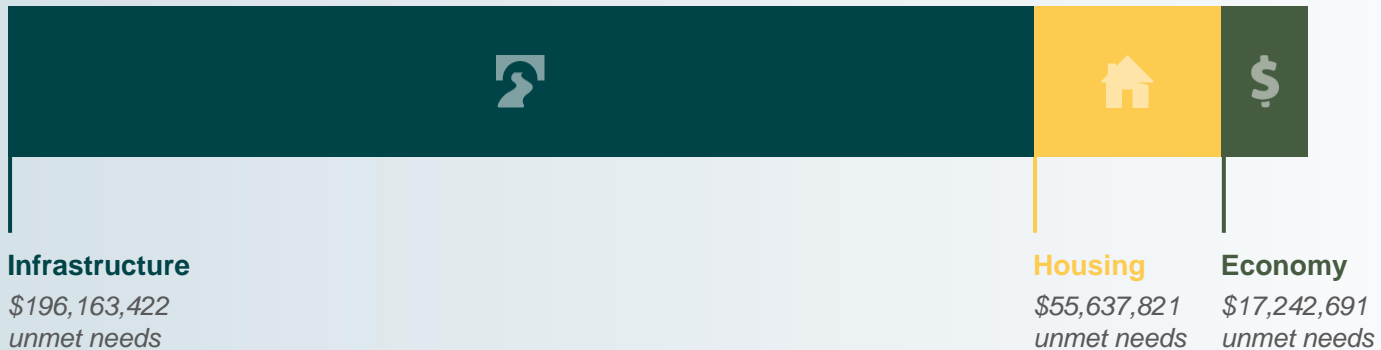
- HUD issued approval of the State's CDBG-DR Action Plan on May 3, 2021, following months of negotiation.
- The Action Plan describes:
  - Unmet Needs
  - The proposed programs that will be used to address unmet needs using CDBG-DR funds
  - How Nebraska will meet other HUD requirements

# Unmet Needs Assessment

HUD Identified Unmet Needs: \$108,938,412

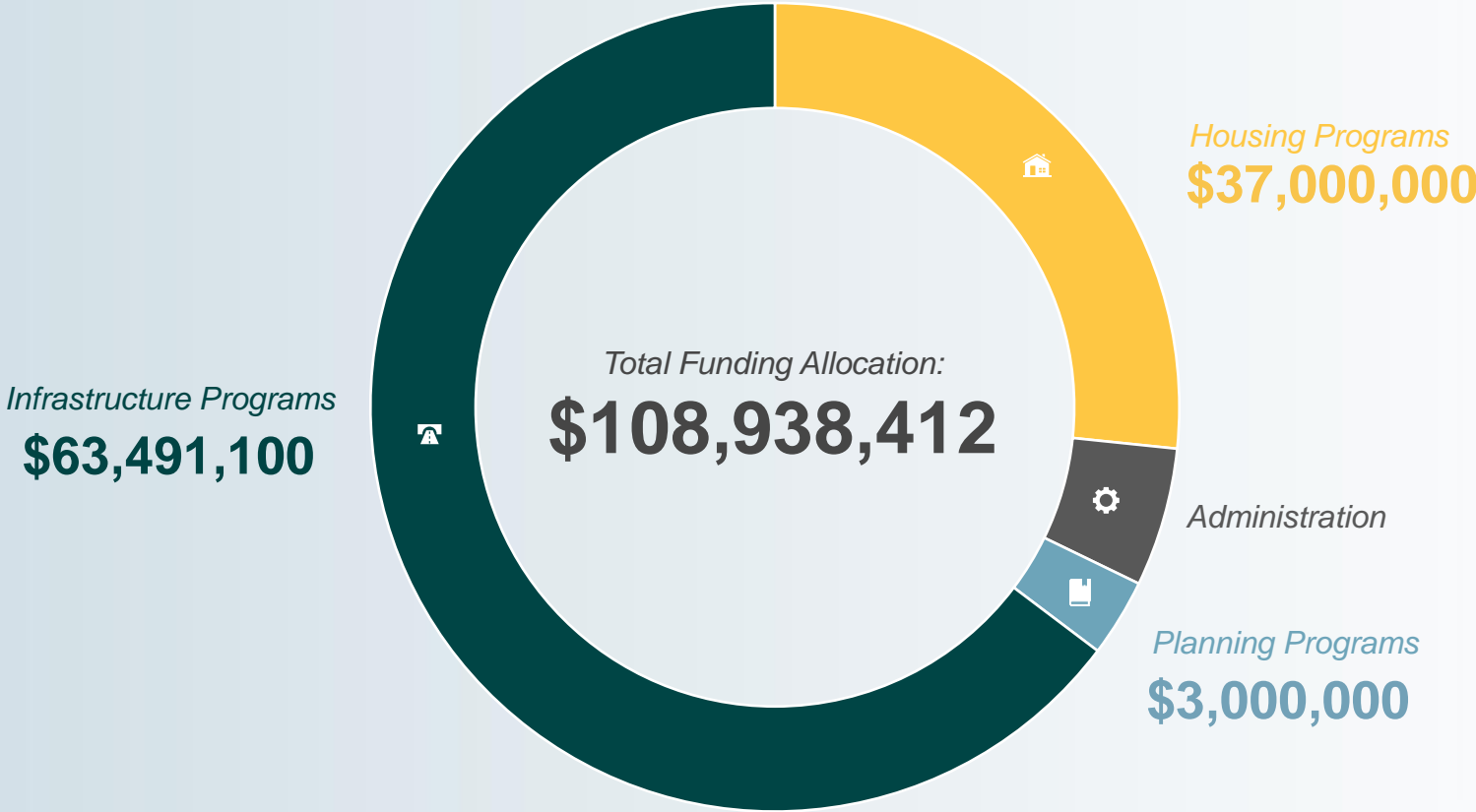


Action Plan Identified Unmet Needs: \$ \$269,043,934

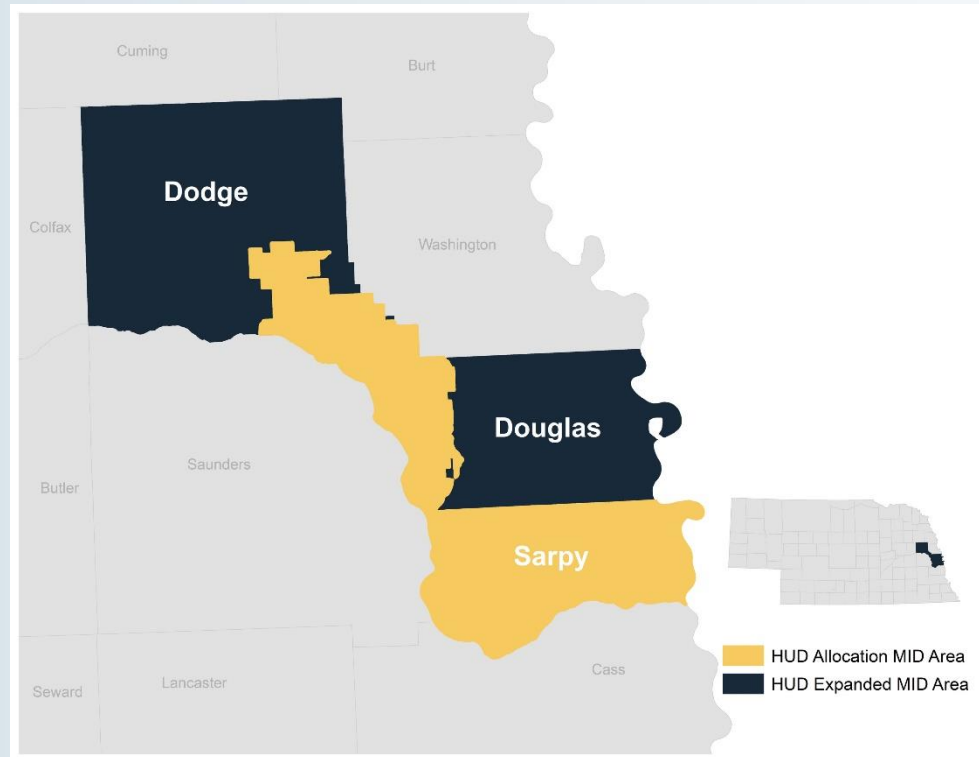




# Allocation of Funding



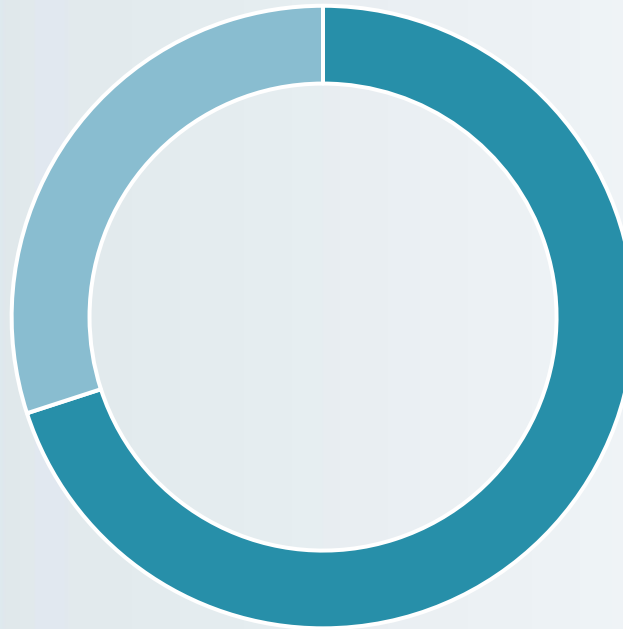
# Allocation of Funding



80% of funding is allocated for the “Most-Impacted and Distressed” (MID) Area which includes **Dodge, Douglas, and Sarpy** counties.

# Allocation of Funding

Overall Benefit by National Objective



■ LMI ■ Urgent Need

At least 70% of funding must benefit **low- and moderate-income individuals.**

# Nebraska's CDBG-DR Programs



## INFRASTRUCTURE

\$63,491,100 allocated for infrastructure programs or 58.3% of the total allocation.



## HOUSING

\$37,000,000 allocated for housing programs or 34% of the total allocation.



## PLANNING

\$3,000,000 allocated for planning programs or 3% of the total allocation.

# Infrastructure Program

- Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) provides funding for disaster recovery.
  - The FEMA Public Assistance (PA) program provides funding to repair or rebuild infrastructure.
  - The FEMA Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP) provides funding for projects that mitigate risks from future disasters.
- For each program, FEMA funds 75% of the project cost, while local jurisdictions are responsible for the remaining 25%.

FEDERAL SHARE (75%)

LOCAL  
SHARE  
(25%)

*The local share can be a significant burden on communities post-disaster.*

## NON-FEDERAL SHARE MATCH PROGRAM

**Program Total:** \$63,491,100

*PA:* \$49,778,602

*HMGP:* \$13,712,498

**National Objective(s):** LMI;  
Urgent Need

**Activity Type:** Public Facilities  
and Improvements

**Projected Start and End Date:**

Start: Q3 2021    End: Q3 2027

### Eligible Activities:

- Acquisition of Real Property
- Public Facilities and Improvements
- Code Enforcement
- Clearance
- Public Services
- Non-Federal Share
- Planning

# Housing Programs

## Affordable Housing Construction Program

Increase affordable housing supply in flood-impacted areas, including affordable rental housing and affordable homeownership for LMI households that lost their homes in the disaster.

## Homeowner Assistance Program

Grants to provide housing counseling, training/homeowner education, homebuyer program delivery, and financial management services, including homebuyer down payment and closing cost assistance.

# AFFORDABLE HOUSING CONSTRUCTION PROGRAM

**Program Total:** \$26,000,000

**National Objective(s):**

LMI Housing

**Activity Type:** Construction of Housing; Rehabilitation

**Projected Start and End Date:**

Start: Q3 2021 End: Q3 2027

**Eligible Activities:**

- Construction of rental housing
- Construction of owner-occupied housing
- New construction of homes for sale to LMI homeowners
- Rehabilitation of rental housing
- Land acquisition for eligible construction activities



## HOMEOWNER ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

**Program Total:** \$11,000,000

**National Objective(s):**

LMI Housing; Urgent Need

**Activity Type:** Homeowner Assistance

**Projected Start and End Date:**

Start: Q3 2021 End: Q3 2027

**Eligible Activities:**

- Down payment and Closing Cost Assistance
- Gap Financing
- Housing Counseling

# Planning Programs



## Risk Awareness Planning Program

- Provides funding for planning activities that educate individuals on the risk associated with private levees and provide alternative flood mitigation options to promote resilience.

## Housing Resilience Planning Program

- Provides funding to local jurisdictions and economic development districts to develop plans for housing recovery, resilience, and affordability.

# Contact Information

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