



**Restore Louisiana Hurricane Francine
Homeowner Assistance Program
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Program Overview

The Restore Louisiana Homeowner Assistance Program provides grant funding to homeowners affected by Hurricane Francine for home repairs, reconstruction and/or reimbursement for repairs already completed.

The program is administered by the Louisiana Office of Community Development Disaster Recovery and is funded by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development through federal appropriations of Community Development Block Grant-Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR) funds.

Louisiana will receive \$117.9 million for Hurricane Francine recovery efforts, all of which has been allocated to the Restore Louisiana program.

Eligibility

WHO CAN RECEIVE ASSISTANCE

To be eligible for program assistance, homeowners must meet the following requirements:

- Must have been the owner-occupant at the time of the disaster event and still maintain ownership throughout application period
- The damaged address must have been the homeowner's primary residence at the time of the disaster event
- The damage suffered must be a result of Hurricane Francine
- The structure must be eligible as determined by the program, which includes single family homes, duplexes, mobile homes and condominiums
- Must be a U.S. citizen or legally documented resident
- The household income must be at or below 300% of the Area Median Income (AMI)
- Must have applied for FEMA Individual Assistance following the disaster, and FEMA's damage assessment must indicate that the damage to home is major/severe, which includes at least one of the following:
 - ✓ **FEMA inspected residential damage of \$8,000 or greater**
 - ✓ **At least one foot of flooding on the first floor**
 - ✓ **FEMA inspected personal property damage of \$3,500 or greater**
- The structure must be in one of the disaster-declared parishes:
 - Ascension
 - Assumption
 - Jefferson
 - Lafourche
 - St. Charles
 - St. James
 - St. John
 - St. Mary
 - Terrebonne

The first step in receiving program assistance is to complete the program survey.

ELIGIBLE ACTIVITIES

Eligible activities under the Restore Louisiana Homeowner Assistance Program include:

- ✓ **Home Repairs**
- ✓ **Home Reconstruction**
- ✓ **MHU Replacement**



Homeowner Program Steps

1 COMPLETE THE PROGRAM SURVEY

Completing the program survey is the first step in receiving program assistance.

The survey can be completed on any smart phone, tablet or mobile device at restore.la.gov, or by calling the program call center at 866.735.2001.

The deadline to complete the survey is June 30, 2025. Homeowners who do not submit a survey by the deadline may not be considered for program assistance.

2 ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW

The federally required environmental review is the process of reviewing a project and its potential environmental impact to determine whether it meets federal, state and local environmental standards. The environmental review is conducted without an appointment and from the road or right-of-way.

3 COMPLETE THE PROGRAM APPLICATION

Qualified homeowners who submitted a program survey and have had an environmental review of their property performed by the program will be invited to complete the program application according to their phase. The application may be completed on any mobile device, such as a smart phone, computer or tablet, by accessing the link provided in the email sent by the program.

4 ELIGIBILITY REVIEW

The program will review the application and information from third-party sources to determine whether the homeowner meets eligibility requirements for the program. If the program is unable to verify information from third party sources, applicants may be required to submit supporting documentation for program review.

5 DAMAGE & LEAD ASSESSMENT

During a scheduled damage assessment appointment with the applicant, inspectors will use industry standard software to inspect work already completed and to determine a scope of work for prospective repairs needed to complete the home. The program will also send inspectors to test for lead-based paint in home constructed prior to 1978.

6 AWARD DETERMINATION

After steps 1-5 are completed, the homeowner will receive their calculated grant award which accounts for any duplication of benefits. The homeowner will have 60 days to either accept or appeal their award. Homeowners may also consult with their case manager during this period.

7 CONTRACTOR SELECTION

Prior to closing on their grant awards, applicants will be asked to select their contractor for any repair or reconstruction work. Applicants will be able to work with their case manager throughout the contractor selection process.

Please visit the program Resources page for more information on contractor selection:

- Reconstruction: Things You Need to Know
- Fortified Construction Checklist
- 10 Tips for Hiring a Contractor
- Fortified Roof Checklist

8 GRANT AGREEMENT & EXECUTION

After accepting their award, the homeowner will meet with the closing team to sign their grant agreement.

9 REIMBURSEMENT, REPAIR, RECONSTRUCTION

Once the grant agreement is executed, the homeowner will be issued a reimbursement check and/or will be provided a grant award to repair or reconstruct their home. The allotted time for project repairs/reconstruction starts on the date the grant agreement is executed.



Executive Summary

- **Milestones:**

- The Restore Louisiana Hurricane Francine Homeowner's Assistance Program:
 - Opened survey submittal, the first step toward receiving program assistance, on May 1, 2025.
 - Closed survey submittal, with a deadline of June 30, 2025.
 - Opened application submittal on July 1, 2025.

- **Status:**

- As of February 23, 2026, 1,173 surveys have been submitted. 1,099 homeowners were determined to be in Phases I – VI.
 - 568 environmental reviews have been completed, representing 52% of the 1,099 homeowners in Phases I – VI available for environmental review.
 - 1,101 homeowners, from Phases I – VI, have been invited to apply. 782 applications have been submitted, representing 71% of the homeowners invited to submit an application.
 - 8 grant awards have been offered to homeowners totaling \$653,575.43.
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Table 1: Homeowner Program Weekly Snapshot.

Activity	As of 2/16/2026	Weekly Activity	As of 2/23/2026	Percentage (%)	Total Dollars
Surveys Recorded					
Total Surveys	1,347	0	1,347		
Non-Submitted Surveys	174	0	174		
Submitted Surveys	1,173	0	1,173	100%	
Working Phases (1-7) Total	1,099	0	1,099	94%	
Phase 1	818	0	818	70%	
Phase 2	70	0	70	6%	
Phase 3	112	0	112	10%	
Phase 4	75	0	75	6%	
Phase 5	0	0	0	0%	
Phase 6	24	0	24	2%	
Phase 7	0	0	0	0%	
Non-Working Phases Total	74	0	74	6%	
Environmental Reviews					
Environmental Reviews Available to Work	525	0	525		
Environmental Reviews Completed	568	0	568		
Home Inspections					
Home Inspections Available to Work	365	-36	329		
Total Home Inspections Completed	387	2	389		
Applications In Process					
Total Number of Invited Applications	1,101	0	1,101		
Applications Not Submitted	212	0	212		
Application Documentation Requested	76	31	107		
Applications Available for Grant Determination	813	-31	782	100%	
Pending Grant Determination	732	-35	697	89.1%	
Grant Determinations				% Grant Determinations	
Zero Award	0	1	1	0.1%	
Ineligible	51	2	53	6.8%	
Withdrawn	22	1	23	2.9%	
Appeals In Progress	0	1	1		
All Grant Awards Offered to Applicant	8	0	8	1.0%	\$653,575.43
Current Grant Awards Offered	8	0	8		\$653,575.43
Not Closed By Deadline	0	0	0		\$0.00
Program Activities Complete	0	0	0		\$0.00
Grant Awards					
Grant Awards Obligated	0	0	0		\$0.00
Solution 1 & 1/3	0	0	0		\$0.00
Solution 2 & 2/3	0	0	0		\$0.00
Solution 3 Only	0	0	0		\$0.00
Disbursements					
Total Disbursements	0	0	0		\$0.00
Solution 1 & 1/3	0	0	0		\$0.00
Solution 2 & 2/3	0	0	0		\$0.00
Solution 3 Only	0	0	0		\$0.00
Housing Rehab/ Reconstruction Complete					
Housing Rehab/ Reconstruction Complete	0	0	0		
Solution 1 & 1/3	0	0	0		
Solution 2 & 2/3	0	0	0		
Solution 3 Only	0	0	0		



Table 2: Key Program Statistics: Totals to Date.

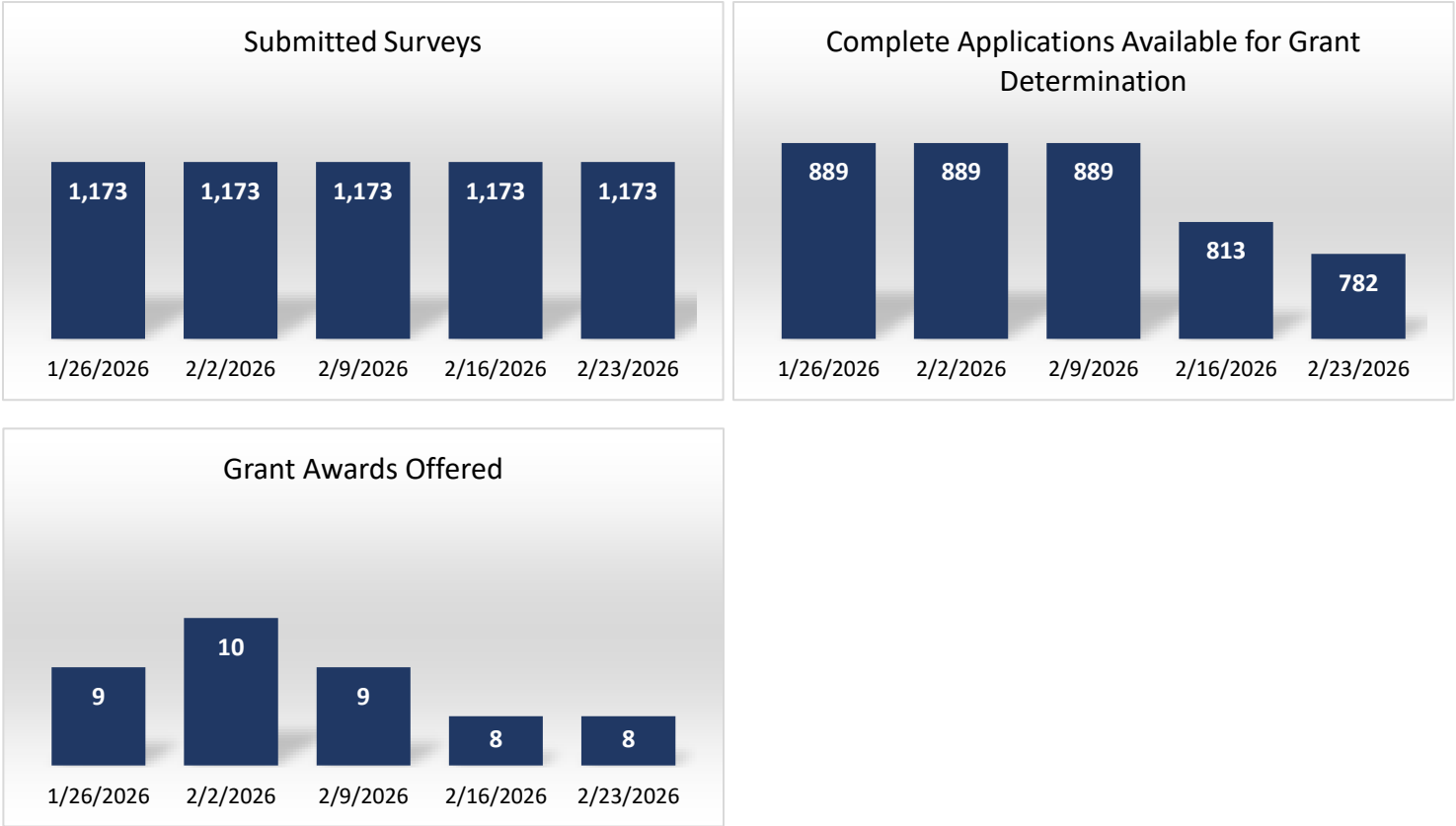




Table 3: Demographic Information for Submitted Applications.

Self Reported Race	Submitted Surveys	Survey %	Submitted Applications	Submitted Applications %	Grants Offered	Grants Offered %
American Indian/Alaska Native	9	1%	9	1%	0	0%
American Indian/Alaska Native and White	2	0%	2	0%	0	0%
American Indian/Alaskan Native/Black-African American	16	1%	16	2%	0	0%
Black/African American	443	38%	443	57%	6	75%
Black/African American and White	24	2%	24	3%	0	0%
Decline to answer	15	1%	15	2%	1	13%
Other Multi-Racial	8	1%	8	1%	0	0%
White	106	9%	106	14%	1	13%
NOT PROVIDED	550	47%	159	20%	0	0%
Total	1,173	100%	782	100%	8	100%

Female Head of Household % 54%



Table 4: Submitted Applications and Grants Offered by House District.

House District	Submitted Surveys	Submitted Applications	Grant Awards Offered
50	201	154	3
51	155	110	1
52	21	14	0
53	82	44	0
54	36	21	1
55	94	59	0
56	25	15	0
57	84	58	1
58	168	119	1
59	7	5	0
60	122	103	1
78	14	3	0
79	60	21	0
80	8	3	0
81	14	9	0
82	5	4	0
83	9	7	0
84	2	2	0
85	5	4	0
87	2	0	0
88	4	3	0
92	51	23	0
94	4	1	0
105	0	0	0
Unknown/Other	0	0	0
Total	1,173	782	8



Table 5: Submitted Applications and Grants Offered by Senate District.

Senate District	Submitted Surveys	Submitted Applications	Grant Awards Offered
2	373	279	3
5	2	1	0
7	4	1	0
8	13	12	0
9	14	5	0
10	88	30	0
18	32	23	0
19	178	112	1
20	137	75	1
21	332	244	3
Unknown/Other	0	0	0
Total	1,173	782	8



Table 6: FEMA Major/Severe Submitted Surveys & Applications by Parish.

Damaged Parish	FEMA Major Severe	Submitted Surveys	Submitted Applications	Grant Awards Offered
Lafourche	342	166	105	2
St. James	130	85	56	1
Terrebonne	384	168	106	0
Jefferson	386	160	68	0
Ascension	111	70	53	0
St. John the Baptist	192	111	77	0
Assumption	160	136	113	1
St. Charles	79	38	25	1
St. Mary	358	239	179	3
Unknown/ Other	0	0	0	0
Total	2,142	1,173	782	8

Table 7: Grant Awards by Parish.

Damaged Parish	Pending Grant Determination	Submitted Surveys	Submitted Applications	Grant Award Offered	Grant Awards Offered (\$)
Ascension	44	70	53	0	\$0.00
Assumption	100	136	113	1	\$76,397.71
Jefferson	60	160	68	0	\$0.00
Lafourche	93	166	105	2	\$142,231.08
St. Charles	21	38	25	1	\$99,566.71
St. James	53	85	56	1	\$77,319.08
St. John the Baptist	71	111	77	0	\$0.00
St. Mary	163	239	179	3	\$258,060.85
Terrebonne	92	168	106	0	\$0.00
Unknown/ Other	0	0	0	0	\$0.00
Total	697	1,173	782	8	\$653,575.43