

### Overview

In September 2008, Hurricanes Gustav and Ike hit Louisiana just 12 days apart, severely affecting 53 parishes throughout the state. The collective damage from both storms, including almost 13,000 homes flooded and 300,000 homes damaged, resulted in an estimated \$20 billion in physical damage, more than \$1 billion in public infrastructure damage and approximately \$7 billion in housing damage, including \$1.7 billion in uninsured losses.

The U.S. Dept. of Housing and Urban Development appropriated \$1.09 billion in Community Development Block Grant-Disaster Recovery funds to Louisiana for recovery from Hurricanes Gustav and Ike. LOCD-DR allocated \$562.5 million to the 53 affected parishes for their direct administration, allowing the parishes to oversee their own housing, infrastructure and economic development programs, according to federal guidelines.

### Funding

**\$562.5 million**  
for parish recovery projects

**\$24 million**  
for affordable housing

**TOTAL FUNDING: \$1.09 billion**

### Reporting Highlights

**50,507 affordable housing units** created

**465 infrastructure projects** completed

**12,298 Louisiana businesses** served

Over **\$560 million** allocated to parish recovery projects, through which **448 public facilities** and **164 residential structures** were rehabilitated or reconstructed

**\$24 million** allocated to statewide affordable housing projects

### Administered Programs

#### PARISH PROGRAMS

- Parish Recovery Programs
- Parish Affordable Rental Program

#### HOUSING PROGRAMS

All housing programs for Hurricanes Gustav and Ike were managed by the Louisiana Housing Corporation

- Affordable Rental Program
- Multi-Family Rental: Low-Income Housing Tax Credit "Piggyback"
- Louisiana Housing Council Disaster Recovery
- Homelessness Prevention: Short-Term Assistance and Rental Services
- Infrastructure Programs
- Coastal Communities Recovery
- Municipal Infrastructure
- Economic Development and Growth
- Interoperable Communications

#### PLANNING PROGRAMS

- Comprehensive Resiliency

#### ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS

- Economic Revitalization (Business Grant and Loan)
- Innovation Loan and Technical Assistance
- Innovating Grant Program – Workforce
- Innovating Grant Program – Unmet Needs
- Public Service – Cecil J. Picard/LA4 Early Childhood Education

#### FISHERY PROGRAMS

- Sustainable Coastal Communities
- Fisheries Technical Assistance
- Vessel Monitoring System
- Commercial Fisherman Grant and Loan
- Wholesale Dealer Broker Grant and Loan
- Industry Modernization

#### AGRICULTURE PROGRAMS

- Farm Recovery Grant and Loan
- Agribusiness Recovery Loan Assistance
- LA Critical Farm Infrastructure



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