

## **NOTICE OF PUBLIC COMMENT AND PUBLIC HEARING CITY OF SPRINGFIELD**

The City of Springfield is considering applying to the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity for Hurricane Michael Community Development Block Grant- Disaster Recovery funds under the Rebuild Florida Hazard Mitigation Grant Match Program.

The Florida Department of Economic Opportunity's (DEO) Rebuild Florida Hazard Mitigation Grant Match Program was launched with \$109,000,000 in funding for the Rebuild Florida Hazard Mitigation Grant Match Program (Match Program) through the Community Development Block Grant – Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR) Program by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) to address unmet disaster recovery needs related to damage from Hurricane Michael.

FEMA's Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP) requires a local match of 25%. This program will fund the local match portion of the HMGP award. These funds represent a unique and significant opportunity for the state, in the areas most impacted by recent disasters, to carry out strategic and high impact activities to rebuild and harden infrastructure to prevent or reduce losses in future disasters.

Entities that have been awarded HMGP funding that are located in the HUD and State designated MID areas that experienced Hurricane Michael storm damage are eligible to apply for funding if the project complies with the CDBG-DR and State Action Plan for Hurricane Michael requirements. Applications should include plans to mitigate against future damage and show how the proposed project will assist the community in rebuilding after Hurricane Michael.

To be eligible for consideration of funding, applicants must propose programs or projects that align with CDBG-DR and DEO requirements and priorities as outlined in the State Action Plan and the Federal Register. Eligible activities include but are not limited to:

- Projects must demonstrate tie-back to Hurricane Michael.
- Projects must primarily serve LMI populations.
- Projects for infrastructure must support LMI housing.
- Projects must not duplicate benefits.

Applications are due to the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity on or before September 30, 2021.

The City of Springfield has selected the projects that best meet the requirements of both the HMGP and the CDBG-DR Hazard Mitigation Grant Match Program.

Project	Total Cost	CDBG Match
City of Springfield, Fire Dept. Generator	\$39,483	\$9,871
City of Springfield, Police Dept. Generator	\$39,483	\$9,871
City of Springfield Lift Station SPR 19 Bypass Pump	\$250,000.00	\$62,500
City of Springfield, Lift Station SPR 16 Bypass Pump	\$250,000.00	\$62,500
City of Springfield Lift Station SPR 26 Bypass Pump	\$250,000.00	\$62,500
City of Springfield Lift Station SPR 15 Bypass Pump	\$250,000.00	\$62,500
City of Springfield Lift Station SPR 27 Bypass Pump	\$250,000.00	\$62,500
City of Springfield Lift Station SPR 29 Bypass Pump	\$250,000.00	\$62,500

A draft application will be posted to the City's website <https://www.springfieldfl.net/> for review. Copies of the draft applications may be obtained upon request at The City of Springfield Office, 408 School Ave Springfield, FL 32401. A public comment period to obtain citizen input concerning the City's intent to apply for these specific projects shall be open until 5:00 p.m. local time on October 8, 2021.

The City will also hold a public hearing on Monday, October 4, 2021, at 5:30pm at Springfield City Hall, 408 School Ave Springfield, FL 32401.

The City of Springfield is an Equal Opportunity Employer and affirmatively furthers fair housing.

Any person requiring a special accommodation at this posting because of a disability or physical impairment should contact the City Clerk Teresa Cox [tcx@springfield.fl.gov](mailto:tcx@springfield.fl.gov).