



TEXAS GENERAL LAND OFFICE
GEORGE P. BUSH, COMMISSIONER

February 28, 2017

The Honorable Bert Cobb, M.D.
County Judge, Hays County
111 E. San Antonio Street, Suite 300
San Marcos, TX 78666

Re: Hays County's Method of Distribution – 2015 Floods and Storms CDBG-DR Funds

Dear Judge Cobb:

The Texas General Land Office's Community Development and Revitalization Program (GLO-CDR) has completed its review of all materials submitted to date in support of Hays County's (the County) proposed Method of Distribution (MOD) for the 2015 Floods and Storms Community Development Block Grant Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR) funds. We are happy to inform you that the MOD has been approved. The terms of the approval are as noted below:

The GLO-CDR approves the County's proposed formula-based allocation of non-housing and housing funds to the identified entities.

1. Acceptance of the MOD does not indicate the eligibility or approval of funding for any proposed projects.
2. The County's allocation must meet the requirement that 70 percent of the funds benefit low-to-moderate income persons. Projects that do not meet HUD's national objective for benefitting low-to-moderate income persons may not be approved until this allocation requirement is met.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at (512) 417-5057, or Ellen Kinsey, Manager, Program Development, at (512) 475-5007 or ellen.kinsey@glo.texas.gov.

Sincerely,

Heather Lagrone, Staff Director
Community Development and Revitalization

cc: Jeff Hauff, Hays County Grants Administrator



County Method of Distribution for 2015 Floods CDBG-Disaster Recovery Allocation

Summary Information

Contact Information

County: **Hays County**

Principal Contact Name, Title: **Bert Cobb, M.D., Hays County Judge**

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City, State, Zip: **San Marcos, Texas, 78666**

Allocation Summary

County Allocation for All Activities: **\$7,405,319**

Housing Activities Total: **\$2,369,702**

Non-Housing Activities Total: **\$5,035,617**

Citizen Participation

Below is a description addressing how the County complied with the Citizen Participation Plan regarding citizen and non-governmental organization outreach, and any efforts exceeding GLO minimum public participation requirements:

Residents were requested to submit their views, suggestions and comments regarding infrastructure and housing needs resulting from the disasters in Hays County through the County website, public notices, press releases, use of the Hays County presence on Facebook and Twitter, and through comments at the scheduled public hearing. Citizens were encouraged to submit comments in writing to Hays County via written letter and email or comment cards distributed at meetings. Notices were posted at Hays County Government offices in San Marcos as well as precinct offices throughout the County. Accommodations were provided to non-English speaking residents through preparation of notices in Spanish - the predominant non-English language in the County - and were distributed to the above County offices and organizations that serve the Hispanic community. The County conducted a Webinar on October 6, 2016 to solicit input from potentially eligible recipient jurisdictions on possible projects that would also address requirements of the CDBG-DR program, and both webinar slides and project worksheets were sent to the respective jurisdictions for review and completion before return to the County. Four communities provided input through project sheets on potential projects by the October 21, 2016 deadline. An initial presentation of the CDBG-DR Method of Distribution was given at a regular meeting of the Hays County Commissioners Court on Tuesday, November 15, 2016 for adoption of the draft proposed Method of Distribution, which was posted on the Hays County Commissioners Court Agenda available for public viewing on Thursday, November 10, 2016. The proposed draft Method of Distribution was made available after approval by the Commissioners Court on the Hays County website (November 18, 2016) and a public hearing was scheduled in conjunction with a regular Commissioners Court meeting to receive further public comment on December 6, 2016 at 10:00am. The Commissioners Court approved the final Method of Distribution formula and document on December 20, 2016 during a regularly scheduled meeting. Supporting documentation is included in the Appendices of this document.

First Public Hearing Information

Date/Time: Dec. 6, 2016 – 10:00am Location: Hays Co. Courthouse, 111 E. San Antonio St., Rm. 301, San Marcos, TX 78666

Attendance: 2 people signed in, representing Buda and Wimberley, and gave comments

Personal Notice. As required, personal notice was sent to eligible entities at least five days in advance of the public hearing using the following method(s) (at least one must be selected):

	Method	Date Sent	Documentation
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Electronic Mail	11/16-18/2016	Emails attached as appendices to this document.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Fax		
<input type="checkbox"/>	Hand Delivery		
<input type="checkbox"/>	Certified Mail		

Internet Notice. As required, public notice was distributed on the Internet at least five days in advance using the following method:

	Method	Date Published	Documentation
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	County Website	11/18/2016	Copy of website posting attached and at: http://www.co.hays.tx.us/cdbg-disaster-recovery-funding.aspx

Published Notice. As required, notice of the public hearing was published in at least one regional newspaper at least three days in advance. Notice of public hearing was published in the following regional newspaper(s):

	Newspaper Name	Date Published	Documentation
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<i>San Marcos Record</i>	11/22/2016	Publisher's Affidavit and newspaper posting attached.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<i>Austin American Statesman</i>	11/23/2016	Copy of newspaper article attached.

Citizen Comment Documentation

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	The required copy of a sign-in sheet from the public hearing is attached.		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	A summary of the citizen comments and meeting discussion is attached.		
Describe any efforts to notify and accommodate those with modified communication needs, such as posting information and providing interpretive services for other languages.	A translation of the Public Hearing Notice was provided in Spanish on the Hays County Website.		

Long-Term Planning and Recovery

Below is an explanation of how the region’s method of distribution fosters long-term community recovery that is forward-looking and focused on permanent restoration of infrastructure, housing and the local economy.

In 2015, Hays County was impacted by two extreme weather events that caused extensive flooding, property damage, and loss of life. The first of the disasters was experienced on May 23 – 24 and is known as the Memorial Weekend Flood, which caused catastrophic flooding along the Blanco River in southern Hays County and 12 confirmed deaths attributed to the event. Hays County was subsequently included in a Presidentially-declared disaster DR-4223. The second event occurred on October 30-31, 2016, is known as the All Saints Flood, and caused widespread flooding throughout both southern and eastern Hays County. This event was included under Presidential disaster declaration DR-4245.

The factors considered in the proposed Method of Distribution take into account those areas most severely damaged during the two events and also those persons least likely to have the resources to provide long-term repairs and resiliency – those of the low to moderate income group. It is anticipated that funding will provide opportunities for drainage and housing-related projects, as well as harden public infrastructure and increase emergency response potential to provide more resiliency to similar future events.

Hays County and its partner communities, along with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Texas Water Development Board, and both the Lower Colorado River Authority and Guadalupe-Blanco River Authority, has led an effort to conduct comprehensive flood protection planning studies for the entirety of the County, including refining flood plain boundaries, identification of roadway low water crossing hazard frequency, dam breach analyses, and subsequent potential projects to minimize/mitigate flood hazards. The County also leads the effort with its partner communities to develop and maintain the Hays County Hazard Mitigation Plan that identifies potential natural hazards and proposes strategies to minimize/mitigate impacts from these events. Participation in these studies will help to inform decision making for the long term recovery and restoration made possible through the CDBG-DR funding.

Non-Housing Method of Distribution Detail

The County is required to prepare a method of distribution for non-housing activity funds between the eligible entities. The GLO has directed the County to use a direct allocation technique based on objective, verifiable data. The Method of Distribution will identify how it meets benefiting 70% low-to-moderate persons requirement, the entities eligible to serve as grantees and contract with the GLO, supports minimum allocation amounts that help ensure project feasibility, and provides an explanation of the distribution factors selected.

Distribution Factors

The County has selected the following distribution factors:

Distribution Factor*	Weight	Documentation Source	Explanation of Factor Selection and Weighting
Non-Housing FEMA Damage Assessment	70	GLO Reports DR-4223 & DR-4245 of FEMA PA Projected Project Amounts updated 9/15/2016	Total projected amounts of FEMA public assistance (PA) to local jurisdictions. The amounts are an indicator of damages sustained in each jurisdiction for non-housing needs and the factor is weighted heavily because it reflects areas

			most impacted by the disasters.
Number of Low to Moderate Income Individuals	30	FY2016 LMISD Data, 2006-2010 American Community Survey (Hays County data) found on HUDexchange website at: https://www.hudexchange.info/management-program/acs-low-mod-summary-data-block-groups-places/ & https://www.hudexchange.info/management-program/acs-low-mod-summary-data-local-government/	The number of low to moderate income individuals within each jurisdiction as defined by the U.S. Department of Housing & Urban Development. The factor was included as it is a requirement that the majority of the CDBG-DR funding be provided to those within this group who would benefit. The factor is weighted less heavily than that above as it not directly tied to flood-impacted areas but rather reflects a subset of population characteristics for individual jurisdictions.

*Add more rows if needed

All allocations must meet or exceed a floor of \$100,000 to help ensure sufficient funds for at least one eligible project.

Eligible Activities

Grantee activities must be specifically related to 2015 disaster(s), and must meet the following criteria:

- Activity must be a CDBG-eligible project;
- Activity must be in response to a 2015 disaster(s) related impact in one of the following ways:
 - Direct verifiable damage from the disaster(s) that requires improvement of conditions, or
 - The facilities must have failed to function in the normal capacity as a result of the disaster(s).

The County has addressed prioritization of eligible activities as follows:

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	The County has chosen not to limit Grantees in the region to projects meeting regional priority activities.		
	The County recommends that projects be prioritized to emphasize benefits to low to moderate income areas rather than urgent need in order to accommodate the 70% LMI requirements of the program. All subgrantees and/or subrecipients will certify that they will affirmatively further fair housing ("AFFH") in their grant agreements, and will receive GLO training and technical assistance in meeting their AFFH obligations. Additionally, all project applications will undergo AFFH review by GLO before approval. Such review will include assessment of a proposed project's area demography, socioeconomic characteristics, housing configuration and needs, educational, transportation, and health care opportunities, environmental hazards or concerns, and all other factors material to the AFFH determination. Applications should show that projects are likely to lessen area racial, ethnic, and low-income concentrations, and/or promote affordable housing in low-poverty, nonminority areas in response to natural hazard-related impacts.		
-OR-			
<input type="checkbox"/>	The County has limited Grantees in the region to selecting projects meeting the following regional priority activities:		
<input type="checkbox"/>	Water Facilities	<input type="checkbox"/>	Specially Authorized Public Facilities & Improvements
<input type="checkbox"/>	Sewer Facilities	<input type="checkbox"/>	Public Services
<input type="checkbox"/>	Other Public Utilities (gas, et al)	<input type="checkbox"/>	Clearance & Demolition Activities
<input type="checkbox"/>	Street Improvements	<input type="checkbox"/>	Code Enforcement
<input type="checkbox"/>	Flood and Drainage Improvements	<input type="checkbox"/>	Specially Authorized Assistance to Private Utilities
<input type="checkbox"/>	Debris Removal	<input type="checkbox"/>	Economic Development
<input type="checkbox"/>	Community Centers & Emergency Shelters (Existing)	<input type="checkbox"/>	Planning and Urban Environmental Design
<input type="checkbox"/>	Senior Centers	<input type="checkbox"/>	Fire Protection Facilities and Equipment

Housing Method of Distribution Detail

The County is required to prepare a method of distribution for housing activity funds between the eligible entities. The GLO has directed the County to use a direct allocation technique based on objective, verifiable data, including Needs Assessment data provided by the GLO. The Method of Distribution will identify how it meets benefiting 70% low-to-moderate persons requirement, the entities eligible to serve as grantees and contract with the GLO, supports minimum allocation amounts that help ensure project feasibility, and provides an explanation of the distribution factors selected.

Distribution Factors

The County has selected the following distribution factors:

Distribution Factor*	Weight	Documentation Source	Explanation of Factor Selection and Weighting
FEMA Verified Loss	70	GLO FEMA FIDA_24549_4224_4225_Unmet_Needs_Hays_County-IHP Unmet Needs as of 10/6/16	Total value of FEMA Verified Loss aggregated by jurisdiction through ArcGIS. Viewed to be representative of housing needs and weighted heavily to reflect damages incurred by jurisdiction.
Number of Low to Moderate Income (LMI) Individuals in Jurisdiction	30	FY2016 LMISD Data, 2006-2010 American Community Survey (Hays County data) found on HUDexchange website at: https://www.hudexchange.info/manage-a-program/acs-low-mod-summary-data-block-groups-places/ & https://www.hudexchange.info/manage-a-program/acs-low-mod-summary-data-local-government/	The LMI factor was included as it is a requirement that the majority of the CDBG-DR funding be provided to those within this group who would benefit. The factor is weighted less heavily than that above as it not directly tied to flood-impacted areas but rather reflects a subset of population characteristics for individual jurisdictions.

*Add more rows if needed

All allocations must meet or exceed a floor of \$500,000 to help ensure sufficient funds for at least one feasible housing program.

Eligible Activities

Grantee activities must be specifically related to 2015 disaster(s), and must meet the following criteria:

- Activity must be a CDBG-eligible project;
- Activity must be in response to a 2015 disaster(s) related impact in one of the following ways:
 - Direct verifiable damage from the disaster(s) that requires improvement of conditions, or
 - The housing replaces units lost or damaged by the disaster(s).

The County has addressed prioritization of eligible activities as follows:

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	The County has chosen not to limit Grantees in the county to projects meeting regional priority activities.
<input type="checkbox"/>	The County recommends that projects under the Housing category target low to moderate income households exclusively. Per GLO requirements, all allocations must meet or exceed a floor of \$500,000 to help ensure

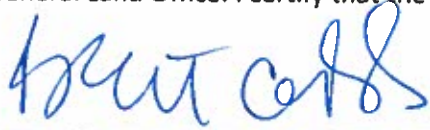
sufficient funds for at least one feasible housing program. The calculated allocations for those jurisdictions who did not meet the required program minimum will be rolled into the available County amount and the County may serve as the applicant for projects. All subgrantees and/or subrecipients will certify that they will affirmatively further fair housing ("AFFH") in their grant agreements, and will receive GLO training and technical assistance in meeting their AFFH obligations. Additionally, all project applications will undergo AFFH review by GLO before approval. Such review will include assessment of a proposed project's area demography, socioeconomic characteristics, housing configuration and needs, educational, transportation, and health care opportunities, environmental hazards or concerns, and all other factors material to the AFFH determination. Applications should show that projects are likely to lessen area racial, ethnic, and low-income concentrations, and/or promote affordable housing in low-poverty, nonminority areas in response to natural hazard-related impacts.

-OR-

<input type="checkbox"/>	The County has limited Grantees in the region to selecting projects meeting the following regional priority activities:		
<input type="checkbox"/>	Single-family repair and rehabilitation	<input type="checkbox"/>	Multi-family repair and rehabilitation
<input type="checkbox"/>	Single-family replacement	<input type="checkbox"/>	Multi-family replacement
<input type="checkbox"/>	Single-family elevation of homes in flood plains	<input type="checkbox"/>	New Multi-family to replace multi-family stock
<input type="checkbox"/>	Single family relocation from flood plains or identified environmental hazards	<input type="checkbox"/>	Buyouts

Approval and Signatory Authority

A Resolution of the County is attached approving the method of distribution and authorizing its submittal to the Texas General Land Office. I certify that the contents of this document and all related attachments are complete and accurate.



1-3-2017

Signature

Date

Bert Cobb, M.D.

Hays County Judge

Printed Name

Title

Bert.Cobb@co.hays.tx.us

512-393-2205

Email Address

Telephone Number

Initial Distribution															
Non-Housing Allocation -															
City, County or Eligible Entity	First Distribution Factor: Disaster Impact as Reflected by FEMA PA Total Projected Project Amount for DR4223 & DR4245 on 9/15/16														
	Second Distribution Factor: LMI Population Count														
	Factor Measure (FM)	Factor Measure Maximum (FMmax)	Weight (W)	Weighted Factor W(FM/FMmax)	Factor Measure (FM)	Factor Measure Maximum (FMmax)	Weight (W)	Weighted Factor W(FM/FMmax)	Entity Weighted Factor Total (EWFact)	Weighted Factor Total (WFct)					
Maximum Factor Measure: \$3,418,475.00															
Maximum Factor Weight: 70															
Maximum Factor Weight: 30															
Hays County Unincorporated	\$3,418,475.00	3418475.00	70	0	18835	18835	30	0.079639	100	175.1275502	0.571012384	55,035,617.00	\$2,875,399.67	Yes	\$2,912,333.84
Bear Creek Village	\$0.00	3418475.00	70	0	18835	18835	30	0.079639	0.0796397	175.1275502	0.000454748	55,035,617.00	\$1,289.94	No	\$0.00
Buda	\$340,139.00	3418475.00	70	6.965015102	1640	18835	30	2.6121582	9.577173318	175.1275502	0.054688846	55,035,617.00	\$279,381.01	Yes	\$275,381.01
Dripping Springs*	\$426,489.00	3418475.00	70	8.733201208	825	18835	30	3.14043	10.04724421	175.1275502	0.057371009	55,035,617.00	\$288,808.45	Yes	\$288,808.45
Hays City	\$0.00	3418475.00	70	0	70	18835	30	0.1149446	0.11494458	175.1275502	0.000636648	55,035,617.00	\$9,205.91	No	\$0.00
Kyle	\$1,451,975.00	3418475.00	70	29.73204426	7150	18835	30	11.388373	41.12041697	175.1275502	0.234802673	55,035,617.00	\$1,182,876.38	Yes	\$1,182,876.38
Mountain City	\$0.00	3418475.00	70	0	55	18835	30	0.0876029	0.087602867	175.1275502	0.000500223	55,035,617.00	\$2,518.99	No	\$0.00
Niederwald	\$0.00	3418475.00	70	0	170	18835	30	0.2707725	0.270772498	175.1275502	0.001546144	55,035,617.00	\$7,785.79	No	\$0.00
Umland	\$252,054.00	3418475.00	70	5.451301459	635	18835	30	1.0114149	6.172716377	175.1275502	0.035246975	55,035,617.00	\$177,490.27	Yes	\$177,490.27
Wimberley*	\$279,094.00	3418475.00	70	5.714996647	760	18835	30	2.105123	6.925510991	175.1275502	0.039545525	55,035,617.00	\$199,136.13	Yes	\$199,136.13
Woodcreek	\$6,724.00	3418475.00	70	0.197687127	375	18835	30	0.197687127	0.734979402	175.1275502	0.004196823	55,035,617.00	\$21,133.60	No	\$0.00
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Final Distribution															
Non-Housing Allocation -															
City, County or Eligible Entity	First Distribution Factor: Disaster Impact as Reflected by FEMA PA Total Projected Project Amount for DR4223 & DR4245 on 9/15/16														
	Second Distribution Factor: LMI Population Count														
	Factor Measure (FM)	Factor Measure Maximum (FMmax)	Weight (W)	Weighted Factor W(FM/FMmax)	Factor Measure (FM)	Factor Measure Maximum (FMmax)	Weight (W)	Weighted Factor W(FM/FMmax)	Entity Weighted Factor Total (EWFact)	Weighted Factor Total (WFct)					
Maximum Factor Measure: \$3,418,475.00															
Maximum Factor Weight: 70															
Maximum Factor Weight: 30															
Hays County Unincorporated	\$3,418,475.00	3418475.00	70	0	18835	18835	30	0.079639	100	156.8703067	0.637469271	55,035,617.00	\$3,210,051.10		\$3,210,051.10
Buda	\$340,139.00	3418475.00	70	6.965015102	1640	18835	30	2.6121582	9.577173318	156.8703067	0.061051537	55,035,617.00	\$307,432.16		\$307,432.16
Kyle	\$1,451,975.00	3418475.00	70	29.73204426	7150	18835	30	11.388373	41.12041697	156.8703067	0.262130022	55,035,617.00	\$1,319,986.40		\$1,319,986.40
Umland	\$252,054.00	3418475.00	70	5.451301459	635	18835	30	1.0114149	6.172716377	156.8703067	0.03934917	55,035,617.00	\$198,147.35		\$198,147.35
									1.00						\$5,035,617.00

*Allocations to Dripping Springs and Wimberley withdrawn per request

Housing Allocation - Initial	First Distribution Factor: FEMA Verified Loss		Second Distribution Factor: LMI Population		Weighted Factor Wd(FM/F Max)	Entity Weighted Factor Total (EWftot)	Weighted Factor Total (Wftot)	Proportional Weighted Factor (PWF)	Housing Allocation for Formulaic Distribution (HA)	Proportional Distribution (PWF x HA)	Meets GLO Required Threshold of \$500,000?	Allocation (Sub-\$500,000 Rolled Up Into Hays County)
	Maximum Factor Measure: \$5,248,065.96		Maximum Factor 18835									
	Factor Measure (FM)	Weight (W)	Factor Measure (FMmax)	Weight (W)								
Hays County Unincorporated	\$4,664,366.08	70	18,835	30	0.079639	194.8163709	0.473340441	\$2,369,702.00	\$1,121,675.79	Yes	\$1,503,513.53	
Bear Creek Village	\$0.00	70	0	30	2.612158	194.8163709	0.00040879	\$2,369,702.00	\$968.71	No	\$0.00	
Buda	\$189,191.52	70	1,640	30	1.314043	194.8163709	0.026361447	\$2,369,702.00	\$62,466.77	No	\$0.00	
Dripping Springs	\$4,837.32	70	825	30	0.06452337	194.8163709	0.007076224	\$2,369,702.00	\$16,768.54	No	\$0.00	
Hays City	\$0.00	70	0	30	0.111495	194.8163709	0.000572306	\$2,369,702.00	\$1,356.19	No	\$0.00	
Kyle	\$813,373.58	70	7,150	30	1.38837	194.8163709	0.114145184	\$2,369,702.00	\$270,490.07	No	\$0.00	
Mountain City	\$1,770.25	70	55	30	0.067603	194.8163709	0.00057087	\$2,369,702.00	\$1,352.79	No	\$0.00	
Niederwald	\$3,554.31	70	170	30	0.270772	194.8163709	0.001633234	\$2,369,702.00	\$3,870.28	No	\$0.00	
Umland	\$15,135.62	70	635	30	1.011415	194.8163709	0.006227903	\$2,369,702.00	\$14,758.28	No	\$0.00	
Wimberley*	\$5,248,065.96	70	760	30	1.210512	194.8163709	0.365526326	\$2,369,702.00	\$866,188.47	Yes	\$866,188.47	
Woodcreek	\$15,647.97	70	375	30	0.597292	194.8163709	0.004137274	\$2,369,702.00	\$9,804.11	No	\$0.00	
Total						194.8163709	1.00	\$2,369,702.00	\$2,369,702.00		\$2,369,702.00	

Final Housing Allocation	Total
Hays County Unincorporated	\$1,851,226
Wimberley*	\$518,476
Total	\$2,369,702

Hays County may serve as sponsor for housing projects in local jurisdictions

County:

Hays County

Required	Non-Housing Required	\$ 5,035,617 Required	Housing Required	\$ 2,369,702 Required	Total Required	\$ 7,405,319 Required	
City, County or Public Housing Authority	Non-Housing	Percentage of County Non-Housing Allocation	Housing	Percentage of County Housing Allocation	Total Allocation	Percentage of Total Regional Allocation	70% Low-to-Moderate Income Benefit Requirement
Hays County Unincorporated	\$3,210,051	63.75%	\$ 1,851,226	78.12%	\$5,061,277	68.35%	\$3,542,894
Buda	\$307,432	6.11%	-	0.00%	\$307,432	4.15%	\$215,203
Kyle	\$1,319,986	26.21%	-	0.00%	\$1,319,986	17.82%	\$923,990
Uhland	\$198,147	3.93%	-	0.00%	\$198,147	2.68%	\$138,703
Wimberley	\$0	0.00%	\$ 518,476	21.88%	\$518,476	7.00%	\$362,989
	\$5,035,617	100.00%	\$2,369,702	100.00%	\$7,405,319	100.00%	\$5,183,723
Non-Housing Percentage of Total Allocation:		68.00%	32.00%		Low-to-Moderate Income Benefit Requirement	70%	\$5,183,723



San Marcos, Texas

RESOLUTION

STATE OF TEXAS §
 §
COUNTY OF HAYS §

A resolution of the Commissioners Court of the County of Hays, Texas hereby authorizing the submittal of the Method of Distribution form and supporting information to the Texas General Land Office, Community Development Block Grant – Disaster Recovery program.

WHEREAS, Hays County was severely impacted by flooding in May and October, 2015 that resulted in a Presidential Disaster Declaration for both events in the County and other areas of Texas; and

WHEREAS, subsequent to the events the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) has made funding available to the State of Texas through the Community Development Block Grant – Disaster Recovery Program, to be administered through the Texas General Land Office (GLO) and to be allocated to disaster-impacted areas for the purposes of long-term recovery from these disasters; and

WHEREAS, Hays County has been designated as one of the most impacted areas, along with Harris, Hidalgo, and Travis counties based on the extent of damages incurred; and

WHEREAS, the GLO requires that each most-impacted county develop a Method of Distribution (MOD) for the funds to be allocated to eligible entities within the County that includes public input and selection of verifiable criteria for allocation of the funding by the GLO.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Hays County Commissioners Court approves submission of the Hays County Method of Distribution documents and associated materials to the Texas GLO for consideration and the distribution of HUD CDBG-DR funding within the County.

ADOPTED THIS THE 17TH DAY OF JANUARY, 2017.

Bert Cobb
Hays County Judge

ATTEST:

Liz Q. Gonzalez

Hays County Clerk *Deputy*

**Hays County Method of Distribution
For
2015 Floods CDBG – Disaster Recovery**

Appendix A

Hays County Website Posting

Jeff Hauff

From: Jeff McGill
Sent: Wednesday, November 16, 2016 4:14 PM
To: Lauren Chernow; webmaster
Cc: Jeff Hauff; Kharley Smith
Subject: RE: New Info for Web -- landing page and a box for home page

Posted.

Jeff McGill
Hays County
Director, Information Technology
712 S. Stagecoach Tr, Ste. 1206
San Marcos, TX 78666
(512) 393-2841
jmccgill@co.hays.tx.us

From: Lauren Chernow
Sent: Wednesday, November 16, 2016 1:20 PM
To: webmaster <webmaster@co.hays.tx.us>
Cc: Jeff Hauff <jeff.hauff@co.hays.tx.us>; Kharley Smith <kharley.smith@co.hays.tx.us>
Subject: New Info for Web -- landing page and a box for home page

Hi,
We need a new landing page for a block grant that Jeff is administering for disaster recovery. The landing page is attached, and there are two docs also attached that need to link from the landing page.

Under the **Comment Period and Draft Document** section there are two links needed. The first one is the dark blue Method of Distribution and that phrase should link to the Hays Co MOD Draft pdf above. The second link is presentation to Commissioners Court and should link to MOD PP Presentation Update.

We also need a new box for the home page that links to the landing page.
It should read
CDBG Disaster Recovery Funding
Thanks

Lauren Chernow
Hays County Communications Manager
512.393.2296 office
512.461.5093 mobile
712 S. Stagecoach Trl #1063
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CDBG Disaster Recovery Funding

CDBG Disaster Recovery Funding

Hays County is seeking input on the **method of distribution for approximately \$7.4 million** in Community Development Block Grant Disaster Recovery Funds offered by the Texas General Land Office through the U.S Department of Housing and Urban Development. These grant dollars are for long-term recovery needs related to the **May and October 2015 floods and have specific requirements as to how they can be spent.**

Comment Period and Draft Document

Comments will be accepted beginning **Wednesday, November 16, at 8 a.m.** and ending **Wednesday, December 7, 2016 at 5:00 p.m.** A draft of the proposed **Method of Distribution** is available for viewing or download on the Hays County website at www.co.hays.tx.us and available at the Hays County Grants Administration Office and at Hays County Precinct Commissioner Offices. You can also review the November 15, 2016, **presentation to the Commissioners Court.**

Public Hearing

The public can provide comments by attending the Public Hearing scheduled for **Tuesday, December 6, 2016 at 10 a.m.** during a regularly scheduled meeting of the Hays County Commissioners Court at the third-floor Hays County Courtroom, 111 E. San Antonio St., San Marcos, TX 78666 (County Courthouse on the Square). The meeting will be conducted in English. Requests from persons needing language interpretation or special accommodations should be received by the Hays County Grants Administration Office at least five (5) days prior to the public hearing. Please call 512-393-2209 to request assistance.

Mailing Your Comments

The public can also mail their comments to: Hays County Grants Administration, 712 S. Stagecoach Trail, Suite 1204, San Marcos, TX 78666, or e-mail them to jeff.hauff@co.hays.tx.us. Comments must be received by **5 p.m. on Wednesday, December 7, 2016.**

Reasonable Accommodations

Hays County is committed to compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended. Reasonable modifications and equal access to communications will be provided upon request. Please call 512-393-2209 to request assistance.

Public hearing notice

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**County Method of Distribution for
2015 Floods CDBG-Disaster Recovery Allocation**

Summary Information

Contact Information

County: **Hays County**

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Principal Contact Telephone: **512-393-2205**

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Principal Contact Address: **111 E. San Antonio St., Ste. 300**

City, State, Zip: **San Marcos, Texas, 78666**

Allocation Summary

County Allocation for All Activities: **\$7,405,319**

Housing Activities Total: **\$2,369,702**

Non-Housing Activities Total: **\$5,035,617**

Citizen Participation

Below is a description addressing how the County complied with the Citizen Participation Plan regarding citizen and non-governmental organization outreach, and any efforts exceeding GLO minimum public participation requirements:

Residents were requested to submit their views, suggestions and comments regarding infrastructure and housing needs resulting from the disasters in Hays County through the County website, public notices, press releases, use of the Hays County presence on Facebook and Twitter, and through comments at the scheduled public hearing. Citizens were encouraged to submit comments in writing to Hays County via written letter and email or comment cards distributed at meetings. Notices were posted at Hays County Government offices in San Marcos as well as precinct offices throughout the County. Accommodations were provided to non-English speaking residents through preparation of notices in Spanish - the predominant non-English language in the County - and were distributed to the above County offices and organizations that serve the Hispanic community. The County conducted a Webinar on October 6, 2016 to solicit input from potentially eligible recipient jurisdictions on possible projects that would also address requirements of the CDBG-DR program, and both webinar slides and project worksheets were sent to the respective jurisdictions for review and completion before return to the County. Four communities provided input through project sheets on potential projects by the October 21, 2016 deadline. An initial presentation was given at a regular meeting of the Hays County Commissioners Court on Tuesday, November 15, 2016 for adoption of the draft proposed Method of Distribution, which was posted on the Hays County Commissioners Court Agenda available for public viewing on Thursday, November 10, 2016. The proposed draft Method of Distribution was made available after approval by the Commissioners Court on the Hays County website and a public hearing will be scheduled in conjunction with a regular Commissioners Court meeting to receive further public comment on November 29, 2016.

First Public Hearing Information

Date/Time: Dec. 6, 2016 – 10:00am Location: Hays Co. Courthouse, 111 E. San Antonio St., Rm. 301, San Marcos, TX 78666
 Attendance: TBD

Personal Notice. As required, personal notice was sent to eligible entities at least five days in advance of the public hearing using the following method(s) (at least one must be selected):

	Method	Date Sent	Documentation
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Electronic Mail		
<input type="checkbox"/>	Fax		
<input type="checkbox"/>	Hand Delivery		
<input type="checkbox"/>	Certified Mail		

Internet Notice. As required, public notice was distributed on the Internet at least five days in advance using the following method:

	Method	Date Published	Documentation
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	County Website		

Published Notice. As required, notice of the public hearing was published in at least one regional newspaper at least three days in advance. Notice of public hearing was published in the following regional newspaper(s):

	Newspaper Name	Date Published	Documentation
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			

Citizen Comment Documentation

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	The required copy of a sign-in sheet from the public hearing is attached.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	A summary of the citizen comments and meeting discussion is attached.
Describe any efforts to notify and accommodate those with modified communication needs, such as posting information and providing interpretive services for other languages.	

Long-Term Planning and Recovery

Below is an explanation of how the region’s method of distribution fosters long-term community recovery that is forward-looking and focused on permanent restoration of infrastructure, housing and the local economy.

In 2015, Hays County was impacted by two extreme weather events that caused extensive flooding, property damage, and loss of life. The first of the disasters was experienced on May 23 – 24 and is known as the Memorial Weekend Flood, which caused catastrophic flooding along the Blanco River in southern Hays County and 12 confirmed deaths attributed to the event. Hays County was subsequently included in a Presidentially-declared disaster DR-4223. The second event occurred on October 30-31, 2016, is known as the All Saints Flood, and caused widespread flooding throughout both southern and eastern Hays County. This event was included under Presidential disaster declaration DR-4245.

The factors considered in the proposed Method of Distribution take into account those areas most severely damaged during the two events and also those persons least likely to have the resources to provide long-term repairs and resiliency – those of the low to moderate income group. It is anticipated that funding will provide opportunities for drainage and housing-related projects, as well as harden public infrastructure and increase emergency response potential to provide more resiliency to similar future events.

Hays County and its partner communities, along with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Texas Water Development Board, and both the Lower Colorado River Authority and Guadalupe-Blanco River Authority, has led an effort to conduct comprehensive flood protection planning studies for the entirety of the County, including refining flood plain boundaries, identification of roadway low water crossing hazard frequency, dam breach analyses, and subsequent potential projects to minimize/mitigate flood hazards. The County also leads the effort with its partner communities to develop and maintain the Hays County Hazard Mitigation Plan that identifies potential natural hazards and proposes strategies to minimize/mitigate impacts from these events. Participation in these studies will help to inform decision making for the long term recovery and restoration made possible through the CDBG-DR funding.

Non-Housing Method of Distribution Detail

The County is required to prepare a method of distribution for non-housing activity funds between the eligible entities. The GLO has directed the County to use a direct allocation technique based on objective, verifiable data. The Method of Distribution will identify how it meets benefiting 70% low-to-moderate persons requirement, the entities eligible to serve as grantees and contract with the GLO, supports minimum allocation amounts that help ensure project feasibility, and provides an explanation of the distribution factors selected.

Distribution Factors

The County has selected the following distribution factors:

Distribution Factor*	Weight	Documentation Source	Explanation of Factor Selection and Weighting
Non-Housing FEMA Damage Assessment		GLO Reports DR-4223 & DR-4245 of FEMA PA Projected Project Amounts updated 9/15/2016	Total projected amounts of FEMA public assistance (PA) to local jurisdictions. The amounts are an indicator of damages sustained in each jurisdiction for non-housing needs and the factor is weighted heavily because it reflects areas most impacted by the disasters.
Number of Low to Moderate Income Individuals		FY2016 LMISD Data, 2006-2010 American Community Survey (Hays County data) found on HUDexchange website at: https://www.hudexchange.info/management-program/acs-low-mod-summary-data-	The number of low to moderate income individuals within each jurisdiction as defined by the U.S. Department of Housing & Urban Development. The factor was included as it is a requirement that

		block-groups-places/ & https://www.hudexchange.info/management-program/acs-low-mod-summary-data-local-government/	the majority of the CDBG-DR funding be provided to those within this group who would benefit. The factor is weighted less heavily than that above as it not directly tied to flood-impacted areas but rather reflects a subset of population characteristics for individual jurisdictions.
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*Add more rows if needed

All allocations must meet or exceed a floor of \$100,000 to help ensure sufficient funds for at least one eligible project.

Eligible Activities

Grantee activities must be specifically related to 2015 disaster(s), and must meet the following criteria:

- Activity must be a CDBG-eligible project;
- Activity must be in response to a 2015 disaster(s)related impact in one of the following ways:
 - Direct verifiable damage from the disaster(s) that requires improvement of conditions, or
 - The facilities must have failed to function in the normal capacity as a result of the disaster(s).

The County has addressed prioritization of eligible activities as follows:

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	The County has chosen not to limit Grantees in the region to projects meeting regional priority activities.		
	The County recommends that projects be prioritized to emphasize benefits to low to moderate income areas rather than urgent need in order to accommodate the 70% LMI requirements of the program. All subgrantees and/or subrecipients will certify that they will affirmatively further fair housing (“AFFH”) in their grant agreements, and will receive GLO training and technical assistance in meeting their AFFH obligations. Additionally, all project applications will undergo AFFH review by GLO before approval. Such review will include assessment of a proposed project’s area demography, socioeconomic characteristics, housing configuration and needs, educational, transportation, and health care opportunities, environmental hazards or concerns, and all other factors material to the AFFH determination. Applications should show that projects are likely to lessen area racial, ethnic, and low-income concentrations, and/or promote affordable housing in low-poverty, nonminority areas in response to natural hazard-related impacts.		
-OR-			
<input type="checkbox"/>	The County has limited Grantees in the region to selecting projects meeting the following regional priority activities:		
<input type="checkbox"/>	Water Facilities	<input type="checkbox"/>	Specially Authorized Public Facilities & Improvements
<input type="checkbox"/>	Sewer Facilities	<input type="checkbox"/>	Public Services
<input type="checkbox"/>	Other Public Utilities (gas, et al)	<input type="checkbox"/>	Clearance & Demolition Activities
<input type="checkbox"/>	Street Improvements	<input type="checkbox"/>	Code Enforcement
<input type="checkbox"/>	Flood and Drainage Improvements	<input type="checkbox"/>	Specially Authorized Assistance to Private Utilities
<input type="checkbox"/>	Debris Removal	<input type="checkbox"/>	Economic Development
<input type="checkbox"/>	Community Centers & Emergency Shelters (Existing)	<input type="checkbox"/>	Planning and Urban Environmental Design
<input type="checkbox"/>	Senior Centers	<input type="checkbox"/>	Fire Protection Facilities and Equipment
<input type="checkbox"/>	Parks, Playgrounds and other Recreational Facilities		

Housing Method of Distribution Detail

The County is required to prepare a method of distribution for housing activity funds between the eligible entities. The GLO has directed the County to use a direct allocation technique based on objective, verifiable data, including Needs

Assessment data provided by the GLO. The Method of Distribution will identify how it meets benefiting 70% low-to-moderate persons requirement, the entities eligible to serve as grantees and contract with the GLO, supports minimum allocation amounts that help ensure project feasibility, and provides an explanation of the distribution factors selected.

Distribution Factors

The County has selected the following distribution factors:

Distribution Factor*	Weight	Documentation Source	Explanation of Factor Selection and Weighting
FEMA Verified Loss	70	GLO FEMA FIDA_24549_4224_4225_Unmet_Needs_Hays_County-IHP Unmet Needs as of 10/6/16	Total value of FEMA Verified Loss aggregated by jurisdiction through ArcGIS. Viewed to be representative of housing needs and weighted heavily to reflect damages incurred by jurisdiction.
Number of Low to Moderate Income (LMI) Individuals in Jurisdiction	30	FY2016 LMISD Data, 2006-2010 American Community Survey (Hays County data) found on HUDexchange website at: https://www.hudexchange.info/manage-a-program/acs-low-mod-summary-data-block-groups-places/ & https://www.hudexchange.info/manage-a-program/acs-low-mod-summary-data-local-government/	The LMI factor was included as it is a requirement that the majority of the CDBG-DR funding be provided to those within this group who would benefit. The factor is weighted less heavily than that above as it not directly tied to flood-impacted areas but rather reflects a subset of population characteristics for individual jurisdictions.

*Add more rows if needed

All allocations must meet or exceed a floor of \$500,000 to help ensure sufficient funds for at least one feasible housing program.

Eligible Activities

Grantee activities must be specifically related to 2015 disaster(s), and must meet the following criteria:

- Activity must be a CDBG-eligible project;
- Activity must be in response to a 2015 disaster(s) related impact in one of the following ways:
 - Direct verifiable damage from the disaster(s) that requires improvement of conditions, or
 - The housing replaces units lost or damaged by the disaster(s).

The County has addressed prioritization of eligible activities as follows:

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	The County has chosen not to limit Grantees in the county to projects meeting regional priority activities.
	The County recommends that projects under the Housing category target low to moderate income households exclusively. Per GLO requirements, all allocations must meet or exceed a floor of \$500,000 to help ensure sufficient funds for at least one feasible housing program. The calculated allocations for those jurisdictions who did not meet the required program minimum will be rolled into the available County amount and the County may serve as the applicant for projects. All subgrantees and/or subrecipients will certify that they will affirmatively further fair housing (“AFFH”) in their grant agreements, and will receive GLO training and technical assistance in meeting their AFFH obligations. Additionally, all project applications will undergo AFFH review by GLO before approval. Such review will include assessment of a proposed project’s area demography, socioeconomic characteristics, housing configuration and needs, educational, transportation, and health care opportunities, environmental hazards or concerns, and all other factors material to the AFFH

determination. Applications should show that projects are likely to lessen area racial, ethnic, and low-income concentrations, and/or promote affordable housing in low-poverty, nonminority areas in response to natural hazard-related impacts.	
-OR-	
<input type="checkbox"/> The County has limited Grantees in the region to selecting projects meeting the following regional priority activities:	
<input type="checkbox"/> Single-family repair and rehabilitation	<input type="checkbox"/> Multi-family repair and rehabilitation
<input type="checkbox"/> Single-family replacement	<input type="checkbox"/> Multi-family replacement
<input type="checkbox"/> Single-family elevation of homes in flood plains	<input type="checkbox"/> New Multi-family to replace multi-family stock
<input type="checkbox"/> Single family relocation from flood plains or identified environmental hazards	<input type="checkbox"/> Buyouts

Approval and Signatory Authority

A Resolution of the County is attached approving the method of distribution and authorizing its submittal to the Texas General Land Office. I certify that the contents of this document and all related attachments are complete and accurate.

Signature

Date

Bert Cobb, M.D.

Printed Name

Hays County Judge

Title

Bert.Cobb@co.hays.tx.us

Email Address

512-393-2205

Telephone Number

Non-Housing Allocation

City, County or Eligible Entity	First Distribution Factor: Disaster Impact as Reflected by FEMA PA Total Projected Amount for DR4223 & DR4245 on 9/15/16										Second Distribution Factor: LMI Population Count			Entity Weighted Factor Total (EWFact)	Weighted Factor Total (WFact)	Proportional Weighted Factor (PWF)	Non-Housing Allocation Formulaic Distribution (NHA)	Proportional Distribution PWF x NHA	Final Allocation (Sub Allocated into Rolled-Up into Hays County)
	Maximum Factor Measure: \$3,418,475.00					Maximum Factor Measure: \$3,418,475.00					Maximum Factor	Factor Weight							
	Factor Weight: 70					Factor Weight: 30													
	Factor Measure (FM)	Factor Measure Maximum (FMmax)	Weight (W)	Weighted Factor W(FM/FMmax)	Weighted Factor W(FM/FMmax)	Factor Measure (FM)	Factor Measure Maximum (FMmax)	Weight (W)	Weighted Factor W(FM/FMmax)	Weighted Factor W(FM/FMmax)									
Hays County Unincorporated	\$3,418,475.00	3418475.00	70	70	70	18835	18835	30	0.07963897	30	18835	18835	100	175.1275502	0.571012384	\$5,035,617.00	\$2,875,399.57	\$1,912,333.84	
Bear Creek Village	\$0.00	3418475.00	70	0	0	50	18835	30	0.07963897	30	18835	18835	0.07963897	175.1275502	0.000454748	\$5,035,617.00	\$2,289.94	\$0.00	
Buda	\$340,139.00	3418475.00	70	6.9650151	1640	18835	18835	30	2.612158	30	18835	18835	9.577173318	175.1275502	0.054686846	\$5,035,617.00	\$275,382.01	\$275,382.01	
Dripping Springs	\$426,489.00	3418475.00	70	8.73320012	825	18835	18835	30	1.314043	30	18835	18835	10.04724421	175.1275502	0.057371009	\$5,035,617.00	\$288,898.43	\$288,898.43	
Hays City	\$0.00	3418475.00	70	0	0	70	18835	30	0.11149558	30	18835	18835	11.11494558	175.1275502	0.000636648	\$5,035,617.00	\$3,205.91	\$0.00	
Kyle	\$1,451,975.00	3418475.00	70	29.732044	7150	18835	18835	30	11.38837	30	18835	18835	41.12041697	175.1275502	0.234802673	\$5,035,617.00	\$1,182,376.33	\$1,182,376.33	
Mountain City	\$0.00	3418475.00	70	0	0	55	18835	30	0.087603	30	18835	18835	0.087603	175.1275502	0.000500223	\$5,035,617.00	\$2,518.93	\$0.00	
Niederwald	\$0.00	3418475.00	70	0	0	170	18835	30	0.270772	30	18835	18835	0.270772	175.1275502	0.001546144	\$5,035,617.00	\$7,785.79	\$0.00	
Uhlend	\$252,054.00	3418475.00	70	5.16131015	635	18835	18835	30	1.011415	30	18835	18835	6.172716377	175.1275502	0.035246875	\$5,035,617.00	\$177,490.27	\$177,490.27	
Wimberley	\$279,094.00	3418475.00	70	5.7149986	760	18835	18835	30	1.210512	30	18835	18835	6.925510991	175.1275502	0.039545525	\$5,035,617.00	\$199,136.12	\$199,136.12	
Woodcreek	\$6,724.00	3418475.00	70	0.1376871	375	18835	18835	30	0.597292	30	18835	18835	0.734979402	175.1275502	0.004196823	\$5,035,617.00	\$21,133.60	\$0.00	
													175.1275502		1.00		\$5,035,617.00	\$5,035,617.00	

Housing Allocation

City, County or Housing Authority	First Distribution Factor: FEMA Verified Loss										Second Distribution Factor: LMI Population			Entity Weighted Factor Total (EWFact)	Weighted Factor Total (WFact)	Proportional Weighted Factor (PWF)	Housing Allocation Formulaic Distribution (HA)	Proportional Distribution PWF x HA	Meets GLO Required Threshold of \$500,000?	Final Allocation (Sub Allocated into Rolled-Up into Hays County)
	Maximum Factor Measure: \$5,248,065.96					Maximum Factor Measure: \$5,248,065.96					Maximum Factor	Factor Weight								
	Factor Weight: 70					Factor Weight: 30														
	Factor Measure (FM)	Factor Measure Maximum (FMmax)	Weight (W)	Weighted Factor W(FM/FMmax)	Weighted Factor W(FM/FMmax)	Factor Measure (FM)	Factor Measure Maximum (FMmax)	Weight (W)	Weighted Factor W(FM/FMmax)	Weighted Factor W(FM/FMmax)										
Hays County Unincorporated	\$4,664,366.08	\$5,248,065.96	70	62.2144668	18,835	18835.00	18835.00	30	0.07963897	30	18835	18835	92.21446683	194.8163709	0.473340441	\$2,369,702.00	\$1,121,675.79	Yes	\$1,503,513.53	
Bear Creek Village	\$0.00	\$5,248,065.96	70	0	0	50	18835.00	30	0.07963897	30	18835	18835	0.07963897	194.8163709	0.00040879	\$2,369,702.00	\$968.71	No	\$0.00	
Buda	\$189,191.52	\$5,248,065.96	70	2.52348322	1,640	18835.00	18835.00	30	2.612158	30	18835	18835	5.135641438	194.8163709	0.026361447	\$2,369,702.00	\$62,468.77	No	\$0.00	
Dripping Springs	\$4,837.32	\$5,248,065.96	70	0.06452137	825	18835.00	18835.00	30	1.314043	30	18835	18835	1.378564374	194.8163709	0.007078224	\$2,369,702.00	\$16,768.54	No	\$0.00	
Hays City	\$0.00	\$5,248,065.96	70	0	0	70	18835.00	30	0.11149558	30	18835	18835	0.11149558	194.8163709	0.000572306	\$2,369,702.00	\$1,356.19	No	\$0.00	
Kyle	\$813,373.58	\$5,248,065.96	70	10.8489777	7,150	18835.00	18835.00	30	11.38837	30	18835	18835	22.21735042	194.8163709	0.114145184	\$2,369,702.00	\$270,490.07	No	\$0.00	
Mountain City	\$1,770.25	\$5,248,065.96	70	0.029461208	55	18835.00	18835.00	30	0.087603	30	18835	18835	0.11214899	194.8163709	0.00057087	\$2,369,702.00	\$1,352.79	No	\$0.00	
Niederwald	\$3,554.31	\$5,248,065.96	70	0.047408216	170	18835.00	18835.00	30	0.270772	30	18835	18835	0.318180763	194.8163709	0.001633234	\$2,369,702.00	\$13,870.28	No	\$0.00	
Uhlend	\$15,135.62	\$5,248,065.96	70	0.2888264	635	18835.00	18835.00	30	1.011415	30	18835	18835	1.213297557	194.8163709	0.006227903	\$2,369,702.00	\$14,758.28	No	\$0.00	
Wimberley	\$5,248,065.96	\$5,248,065.96	70	0.20871649	760	18835.00	18835.00	30	1.210512	30	18835	18835	71.21051234	194.8163709	0.365526328	\$2,369,702.00	\$866,188.47	Yes	\$866,188.47	
Woodcreek	\$15,647.97	\$5,248,065.96	70	0.28871649	375	18835.00	18835.00	30	0.597292	30	18835	18835	0.806008764	194.8163709	0.004137274	\$2,369,702.00	\$9,804.11	No	\$0.00	
													194.8163709		1.00		\$2,369,702.00	\$2,369,702.00		



Notice of Public Hearing

Disaster Recovery Funding Solicitation for Public Comment

Notice is hereby given that at a regular meeting of the Hays County Commissioners Court on December 6, 2016, at 10 a.m. a public hearing will be held to accept citizen comments on the method of distribution for approximately \$7.4 million in 2016 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Disaster Recovery Funds. Comments can also be sent to Hays County Grants Administrator Jeff Hauff, 712 S. Stagecoach Trail, Suite 1204, San Marcos, TX 78666 or by emailing jeff.hauff@co.hays.tx.us. Comments must be received by 5 p.m. Wednesday, December 7, 2016.

The County has been awarded approximately \$7.4 million, including non-housing project funding of \$5,035,617 and housing project funding of \$2,369,702, to support programs and projects that address an identified priority need and that primarily benefit low-to-moderate-income persons affected by 2015 flooding in the unincorporated areas of Hays County and the cities of Buda, Dripping Springs, Kyle, Umland and Wimberley. The Draft Method of Distribution was posted on Wednesday, November 16, 2016 at www.co.hays.tx.us and is also available at the Hays County Office of Grants Administration, 712 S. Stagecoach Trail, Suite 1204, San Marcos, TX 78666 and at each Hays County Precinct Commissioner Office.

Hays County does not discriminate on the basis of disability in the admission or access to its services, programs, or activities and will provide for reasonable accommodations for persons attending the public hearing. The hearing will be conducted in English and individuals who require auxiliary aids and services for this meeting should contact Grants Administrator Jeff Hauff at jeff.hauff@co.hays.tx.us or 512-393-2209 no later than five (5) working days before the scheduled public hearing.

The public hearing will be held at the Hays County Courthouse on the Square, 111 East San Antonio Street, San Marcos, Texas 78666, third-floor Commissioners Courtroom at 10 a.m. Tuesday, December 6, 2016.



Aviso de audiencia pública

Financiamiento para recuperación de desastres Solicitud de comentarios públicos

Se da aviso por medio de la presente que en una reunión regular del Tribunal de Comisionados del Condado de Hays, se llevará a cabo una audiencia pública el 6 de diciembre del 2016, a las 10:00 am para aceptar los comentarios de los ciudadanos sobre el método de distribución para aproximadamente \$ 7.4 millones De Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Fondos de Recuperación por Desastre 2016. Los comentarios también pueden ser enviados a Jeff Hauff, Administrador de Becas (ayuda) del Condado de Hays, 712 S. Stagecoach Trail, Suite 1204, San Marcos, TX 78666 o por correo electrónico a jeff.hauff@co.hays.tx.us. Los comentarios deben ser recibidos antes de las 5:00 p.m. Miércoles, 7 de diciembre del 2016.

El Condado ha recibido aproximadamente \$ 7,4 millones de dólares, incluyendo financiamiento para proyectos de no-vivienda de \$ 5,035,617 y financiamiento para proyectos de vivienda de \$ 2,369,702, para apoyar programas y proyectos que abordan una necesidad prioritaria identificada y que benefician principalmente a personas de bajos ingresos a moderados afectados por las inundaciones del 2015 en las áreas no incorporadas del Condado de Hays y las ciudades de Buda, Dripping Springs, Kyle, Uhland y Wimberley. El Método del Proyecto de Distribución se publicó el miércoles 16 de noviembre de 2016 [en www.co.hays.tx.us](http://www.co.hays.tx.us) y también está disponible en la Oficina de Administración de Becas del Condado de Hays, 712 S. Stagecoach Trail, Suite 1204, San Marcos, TX 78666 y en cada Oficina del Comisionado del Condado de Hays.

El Condado de Hays no discrimina en base a la discapacidad en la admisión o acceso a sus servicios, programas o actividades y proveerá facilidades razonables para las personas que asistan a la audiencia pública. La audiencia se llevará a cabo en inglés y las personas que requieran ayuda y servicios auxiliares para esta reunión deberán comunicarse con el Administrador de las Donaciones Jeff Hauff a jeff.hauff@co.hays.tx.us o 512-393-2209 a más tardar en cinco (5) días hábiles antes de la audiencia pública programada.

La audiencia pública se llevará a cabo en el Palacio de Justicia del Condado de Hays, en la Plaza, 111 East San Antonio Street, San Marcos, Texas 78666, Sala de Comisionados del tercer piso, a las 10 de la mañana

**Hays County Method of Distribution
For
2015 Floods CDBG – Disaster Recovery**

Appendix B

Public Hearing Notification and Contacts

Community Impact Newspaper
<https://communityimpact.com/austin/san-marcos-buda-kyle/city-county/2016/11/15/hays-county-prepares-7-4-million-disaster-recovery-grant-allocation/>

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Hays County prepares \$7.4 million disaster recovery grant allocation



By Brett Thorne | Posted Nov 15, 2016 at 4:11 pm



Hays County has been allocated \$7.4 million of a \$50.97 million disaster recovery grant awarded to the state of Texas from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. The grant is aimed at helping the county recover from the Memorial Day weekend and All Saint's Day floods in 2015.



Members of the Hays County Commissioners Court discussed the grant at a meeting Tuesday.



Projects located in the city of San Marcos would not be eligible to be funded through the grant because the city received a \$25.08 million disaster recovery grant from HUD in February.

The General Land Office, a state agency that oversees state land and will oversee the grant administration, determined that 68 percent of funds—about \$5.03 million for Hays County—should go to non-housing and infrastructure-related projects, and 32 percent of the county's funds—about \$2.37 million—should go to housing projects.

Commissioner Will Conley, who represents a portion of western Hays County that includes Wimberley, said the county may have a hard time finding housing projects to spend the money on because projects cannot be located in San Marcos.

"If we cannot find good, quality housing projects and needs then I think, stating the obvious, we'd like that to be able to go toward more of the infrastructure needs and demands in the county that our staffs and public and ourselves have identified and our other local municipalities have identified as important in their communities and different geographic areas of the county," Conley said.

Commissioner Debbie Ingalsbe, who represents a portion of the county including San Marcos, echoed Conley's sentiment, saying that although many homes in the county were affected by the flooding, they may not qualify for the county's disaster recovery grant.

"I guess we'll wait and see how that progresses," Ingalsbe said.

PUBLIC HEARING

The county will host a public hearing to discuss the grant allocation Dec. 6 at 10 a.m. at the Hays County Courthouse, 111 E. San Antonio St., San Marcos.

COMMENTS BY MAIL AND EMAIL

Comments can also be made by mailing comments to the Hays County Grants Administration Office, 712 S. Stagecoach Trail, Ste. 1204, San Marcos, Texas, 78066 or by emailing County Grant Administrator Jeff Haulff at jeff.haulff@co.hays.tx.us

The county will host a public hearing to discuss allocations of the grant money Dec. 6 at 10 a.m. during commissioners' regular meeting.

An initial draft of the allocation, which is subject to change, was included in a presentation given to commissioners at the meeting Tuesday.

Hays County

Non-housing - \$2,912,334
Housing - \$1,503,514

Buda

Non-housing - \$275,382
Housing - \$0

Dripping Springs

Non-housing - \$288,898
Housing - \$0

Kyle

Non-housing - \$1,182,376
Housing - \$0

Umland

Non-housing - \$177,490
Housing - \$0

Wimberley

Non-housing - \$199,136
Housing - \$866,188

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ANITA MILLER
MANAGING EDITOR

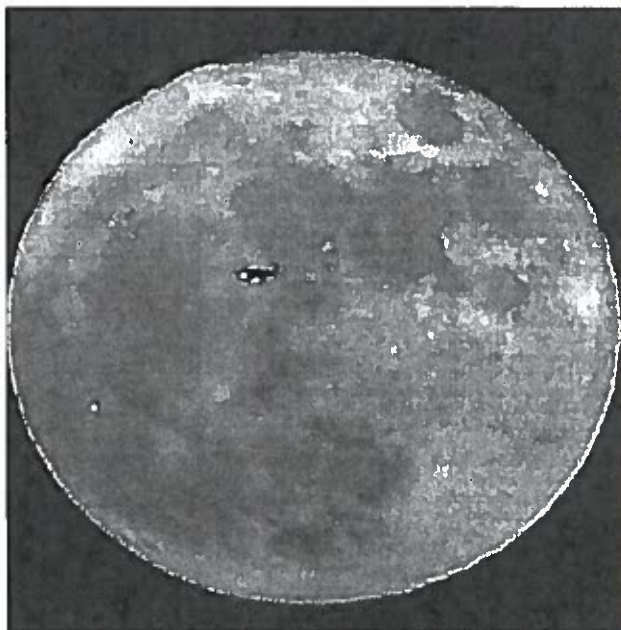
One of the weighty considerations to be undertaken by the Texas Legislature when the body convenes in January is a topic near to many hearts — not to mention snooze buttons.

State Rep. Dan Flynn (R-Hunt) would do away with our twice annual changing of the clocks.

HB 95 reads, "The state, acting under the exemption provisions of the Uniform Time Act of 1966, is exempt from the provisions of that law that establish daylight saving time. The exemption provided by this subsection applies to both the portion of the state using central standard time as the official standard time and the portion of the state using mountain standard time."

If passed and signed by the governor, it would take effect Nov. 5, 2017.

SUPER MOON



An aircraft crosses the face of the just-risen "super" moon on Monday night. The moon appeared bigger and brighter because it was nearer to earth than it has been since 1948. DAILY RECORD PHOTO BY GERALD CASTILLO

FLOOD RECOVERY

Public hearing scheduled on HUD funding

ANITA MILLER
MANAGING EDITOR

A public hearing will be held at 10 a.m. on Tuesday, Dec. 6 concerning Community Development Block Grant-Disaster Recovery funds to be distributed in Hays County.

Eligible are projects outside the city of San Marcos, as the city received its own CDBGDR funding in the amount of \$25 million.

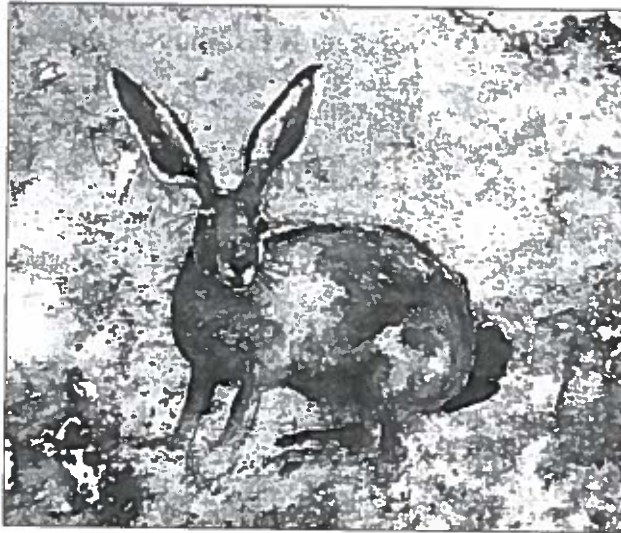
Jeff Hauff, the county's grants administrator, said Hays was determined one of Texas' "most impacted" four counties because of the May and October floods of 2015, and as such, is due to receive \$7,405,319 through the General Land Office (GLO).

Of that, 32 percent (\$2,369,702) must be spent on housing needs and 68 percent (5,035,617) for non-housing infrastructure needs. Additionally, at least 70 percent of the funding must benefit low to moderate income households.

"All projects have to be tied back to the two floods," Hauff told commissioners and County Judge Bert Cobb during their Tuesday meeting. "Hays County is charged with developing a method of distribution. We have to devise a method."

Hauff said any funds that are not allocated will be returned to the GLO for a future re-allocation; and he noted that the GLO sets

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"Jackrabbit," by Wimberley artist Georgiana Chenault is featured in a show that opened last month at the Price Center. PHOTOS COURTESY OF THE PRICE CENTER

Downtown Walkabout is Thursday

The former Third Thursday Gallery Night has been expanded to include many more stops and renamed the 3rd Thursday Downtown Walkabout. This month the Price Center is joining the festivities with a chance for visitors to take in the works of two local artists, a photographer and an oil painter in separate solo shows.

Both shows, which provide intimate looks at nature, man and animals, will be coming down Thanksgiving weekend.

The first show features local photographer and raconteur Carl Deal who offers a striking assortment of 34 primarily black and white nature and portrait images from around the world and San Marcos. Deal's work hangs in the Center's Parlor and historic 1910 Room.

The second show featuring painter Georgiana Chenault from Wimberley opened on Fri., Oct. 7 in the Center's Tea Room. Chenault brings her expert hand and eye to a delightfully engaging



The Breithans by Carl Deal.

series of large and small scale animal portraits painted on traditional canvases as well as unique natural surfaces including marble and other stone surfaces.

The Walkabout will take place this Thursday, Nov. 17, from 6-9 p.m. Light refreshments will be provided. For more information

about the 3rd Thursday Downtown Walkabout, the current art shows, or to submit art to be considered for a future exhibit, please stop by 222 W. San Antonio St. Mon. - Fri., 9-5 p.m., or call 512-392-2900.

• Submitted by Clay DeStefano/Price Center

VETERANS FROM PG. 1

helped organize the event and said it's something that he understands all too well.

"I'm a disabled vet myself, so it really hits home for me," Crane said. "When I left the military and retired in 2011, I went out resume in hand looking for jobs and I found this one and it's worked out real well."

Crane said he hopes to see the job fair return to San Marcos next year and continue to grow. Over the past four years, Hiring Red, White & You! has connected approximately 42,000 veterans with over 6,500 employers in the state.

All of the businesses that participated at this year's event are located within the Hill Country corridor and offer jobs that do not require a college degree. Employers participated at no cost and may be eligible for the Work Opportunity Tax Credit, which allows employers to receive up to \$9,600 on federal business income or payroll tax benefits when they hire from certain qualified groups of veterans. Interested businesses are encouraged to contact their local Workforce Solutions office for more information.

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a minimum on projects of \$100,000 for non-housing infrastructure and \$500,000 for housing.

Residents will have an opportunity to make comments that will go on the record during the public hearing, and may also submit comments directly to the Grants Office through 5 p.m. on Dec. 7.

A preliminary breakdown shows \$2,912,334 going to non-housing projects in unincorporated Hays County, and \$1,503,514 to housing. Buda will receive \$275,382 for non-housing projects, Dripping Springs, \$288,898, Kyle, \$1,182,376, \$177,490 to Umland and \$199,36 to Wimberley.

Texas of wells can

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — A report says it's "possible" oil will be injected deep under earthquakes.

The statement by Texas Commission on Geology Commissioner Ryan Sitton signals a potentially key shift in drilling activity in the nation's largest oil-producing state.

Sitton's commission governs the oil and gas industry. He announced he was joining a research center that studies natural and "potentially

Bush says 'anger

DALLAS (AP) — Former President George W. Bush says "anger shouldn't drive policy" and is defending his administration's encouraging global trade through pacts like the North American Free Trade Agreement.

Bush spoke Tuesday at a Dallas institute named for him. He said he'd refrain from criticizing President-elect Donald Trump and

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Zaffirini said.

Not only will these new bills provide higher education, but they will also provide lower level education like career prep for four-year-olds and day care for four-year-olds and day care for four-year-olds and day care for four-year-olds (SB 35).

"My staff and I have been working diligently to craft a legislative agenda that reflects the priorities of families in our district and throughout our state," Zaffirini said. "These include career prep, the option of enrolling in high-quality Pre-K programs, and promoting college students can also promote health, public safety and the environment."

Other senate bills include measures for enforcement action against discrimination on the basis of exempting sales tax on vehicles by active-duty service members overseas (SB66) and prohibi-



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Jeff Hauff

From: Jeff Hauff
Sent: Wednesday, November 16, 2016 11:11 AM
To: 'msloan@texasappleseed.net'
Subject: Hays County CDBG-DR Funding - Method of Distribution
Attachments: MOD PP Presentation Update Nov 15.pptx; Hays Co MOD Draft CC Approved Nov 15 2016.pdf

Good Morning Ms. Sloan,

I am contacting you regarding an allocation of CDBG-DR funding through the Department of Housing and Urban Development for Texas under DR-4223 and DR-4245, administered by the Texas General Land Office (GLO), for federally-declared disaster events in 2015. As a "most impacted area", Hays County has been charged by the GLO to develop a Method of Distribution (MOD) for allocation of approximately \$7.4 million in funding (\$2,369,702 or 32% for housing, and \$5,035,617 or 68% for non-housing) for both the County and for local jurisdictions impacted by the disaster events. A draft of the MOD was approved yesterday by the Hays County Commissioners Court and we will be posting the draft document on the Hays County website - anticipated by the end of the day – to open a public review and comment period that will close on December 7, 2016 at 5:00pm. I'm including advance copies of both the draft MOD and the presentation given to the Commissioners Court for your review (see attachments).

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Please feel free to call me should you have questions or concerns, and provide written comment if you would like those comments to be included as project record. Thank you in advance for your consideration.

Best Regards,
Jeff Hauff
Hays County Grants Administrator
512-393-2209

Jeff Hauff

From: Jeff Hauff
Sent: Wednesday, November 16, 2016 11:43 AM
To: 'John@texashousing.org'
Subject: Hays County CDBG-DR Funding - Method of Distribution
Attachments: Hays Co MOD Draft CC Approved Nov 15 2016.pdf; MOD PP Presentation Update Nov 15.pdf

Hello Mr. Henneberger,

I am contacting you regarding an allocation of CDBG-DR funding through the Department of Housing and Urban Development for Texas under DR-4223 and DR-4245, administered by the Texas General Land Office (GLO), for federally-declared disaster events in 2015. As a "most impacted area", Hays County has been charged by the GLO to develop a Method of Distribution (MOD) for allocation of approximately \$7.4 million in funding (\$2,369,702 or 32% for housing, and \$5,035,617 or 68% for non-housing) for both the County and for local jurisdictions impacted by the disaster events. A draft of the MOD was approved yesterday by the Hays County Commissioners Court and we will be posting the draft document on the Hays County website - anticipated by the end of the day – to open a public review and comment period that will close on December 7, 2016 at 5:00pm. I'm including advance copies of both the draft MOD and the presentation given to the Commissioners Court for your review (see attachments).

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Jeff Hauff
Hays County Grants Administrator
512-393-2209

Jeff Hauff

From: Jeff Hauff
Sent: Wednesday, November 16, 2016 3:32 PM
To: Bert Cobb; Debbie Ingalsbe; Mark Jones; Will Conley; Ray Whisenant
Cc: Janice Jones; Lon Shell; Sylvia Boasi; Jennifer Scott; Linda Kinney; Kharley Smith; Lauren Chernow; Margaret Buentello
Subject: Hays County CDBG-DR Draft Method of Distribution
Attachments: Hays Co MOD Draft CC Approved Nov 15 2016.pdf; MOD PP Presentation Update Nov 15.pdf

Judge/Commissioners/Executive Staff,

Yesterday the Commissioners Court approved the public posting of our draft Method of Distribution (MOD) in regarding CDBG-DR funding being allocated through the Texas General Land Office. We will have this placed on our Web site hopefully this afternoon, but I also wanted to provide each of you with a copy of the draft MOD and the presentation that was given, as we are saying that copies will be available at the Precinct Offices. While I doubt that there will be much interest and that most people will go to our web site to review the document, there may be a chance that someone will stop by your offices to see if the document is available. And here it is! Written comments will be accepted by the Grants Office from now through December 7 at 5:00pm. If there are specific questions that you don't feel comfortable answering, be sure and direct them to me at the number below.

Thank you for your consideration.

Jeff Hauff
Hays County Grants Administrator
512-393-2209

Jeff Hauff

From: Jeff Hauff
Sent: Thursday, November 17, 2016 11:40 AM
To: Kharley Smith; Kay Allen; Karen Gallaher; Chance Sparks; Mike Beggs; jgarcia@cityofkyle.com; Don Ferguson; James Earp; Scott Sellers; kwilliams@ci.buda.tx.us
Subject: RE: CBDG-DR draft MOD
Attachments: Hays Co MOD Draft CC Approved Nov 15 2016.pdf; MOD PP Presentation Update Nov 15.pdf

All,

It appears that the file Kharley tried to send somehow got corrupted. Try this one. Also included is the presentation that was given that will help to further explain the MOD elements. The GLO required something slightly different than the exercise we did with the project sheets, but I think we can actually mesh the two different methods based on funding available. Be sure to look at the presentation for explanation!

Someone please let me know if you can open this version of the file.

Thanks,
Jeff Hauff

From: Kharley Smith
Sent: Thursday, November 17, 2016 10:15 AM
To: Kay Allen; Karen Gallaher; Chance Sparks; Mike Beggs; jgarcia@cityofkyle.com; Don Ferguson; James Earp; Scott Sellers; kwilliams@ci.buda.tx.us
Cc: Jeff Hauff
Subject: CBDG-DR draft MOD

Good morning all

Please see attached draft MOD that was approved yesterday in Commissioners Court and is open for public comment. If you all feel it beneficial I would be happy to set up a conference call late this afternoon or tomorrow to discuss in further detail. Our collaboration will be key to this program being successful.

Kharley Bagley Smith
Director / EMC
Office of Emergency Services
Hays County

Jeff Hauff

From: Mike Jones
Sent: Sunday, November 20, 2016 9:23 PM
To: Outlook; Jeff Hauff
Cc: Kharley Smith
Subject: Re: BR3T input in CBDG Projects

1:30 it is

From: Outlook <tmonahan@br3t.org>
Sent: Thursday, November 17, 2016 5:20 PM
To: Jeff Hauff
Cc: Kharley Smith; Mike Jones
Subject: Re: BR3T input in CBDG Projects

1:30pm works for me.

Sent from my iPhone

On Nov 17, 2016, at 5:02 PM, Jeff Hauff <jeff.hauff@co.hays.tx.us> wrote:

I'm good for the afternoon, and offer my office at the Government Center (Suite 1204). I'd suggest 1:30pm or 2:00pm if that works, with 1:30 preferred.

Thanks Tom,
Jeff Hauff
Hays County Grants Administrator
512-393-2209

From: Outlook [<mailto:tmonahan@br3t.org>]
Sent: Thursday, November 17, 2016 3:52 PM
To: Kharley Smith
Cc: Mike Jones; Jeff Hauff
Subject: Re: BR3T input in CBDG Projects

Monday afternoon works next week, what time and where do you want to meet?

Sent from my iPhone

On Nov 17, 2016, at 1:16 PM, Kharley Smith <kharley.smith@co.hays.tx.us> wrote:

Afternoon Thomas
Hays County Commissioners Court approved the draft Method of Distribution (attached) for the CBDG funds allocated to Hays County this past Tuesday. This is different than the \$25 mil the City of San Marcos was allocated. We do still have a decent amount to dedicate to housing projects throughout the county though and would like an opportunity to sit down with you to discuss. Do you have any availability next Monday or Tuesday afternoon?

Kharley Bagley Smith
Emergency Services Director / EMC
Hays County
P.O. Box 1006 (mailing)
2171 Yarrington Rd. (physical)
San Marcos, TX 78666
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Jeff Hauff

From: Jeff Hauff
Sent: Friday, November 18, 2016 9:18 AM
To: Outlook (tmonahan@br3t.org)
Cc: Kharley Smith
Subject: Hays County CDBG-DR Funding - Method of Distribution
Attachments: Hays Co MOD Draft CC Approved Nov 15 2016.pdf; Hays County MOD Public Hearing Notice_Final.docx; MOD PP Presentation Update Nov 15.pptx

Hello Thomas,

It has been a while since we last met and I sincerely hope that you are doing well. In addition to the meeting we have scheduled for this coming Monday at 1:30 in my office, I wanted to share this message with you as more background information prior to the meeting. I am contacting you regarding an allocation of CDBG-DR funding through the Department of Housing and Urban Development for Texas under DR-4223 and DR-4245, administered by the Texas General Land Office (GLO), for federally-declared disaster events in 2015. As a "most impacted area", Hays County has been charged by the GLO to develop a Method of Distribution (MOD) for allocation of approximately \$7.4 million in funding (\$2,369,702 or 32% for housing, and \$5,035,617 or 68% for non-housing) for both the County and for local jurisdictions impacted by the disaster events. A draft of the MOD was approved on Tuesday, November 15, 2016 by the Hays County Commissioners Court and is posted on the Hays County website (<http://www.co.hays.tx.us/cdbg-disaster-recovery-funding.aspx>) to open a public review and comment period that will close on December 7, 2016 at 5:00pm. I'm including copies of both the draft MOD and the presentation given to the Commissioners Court for your review (see attachments). Also attached is a public notice that you may post at your offices or hopefully include in an upcoming newsletter to alert the public of the proposed MOD. Please note that San Marcos received a separate, direct allocation from HUD and is therefore not included under the Hays County funding.

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Best Regards,
Jeff Hauff
Hays County Grants Administrator
512-393-2209

Jeff Hauff

From: Jeff Hauff
Sent: Friday, November 18, 2016 9:09 AM
To: 'cbelver@communityaction.com'
Subject: Hays County CDBG-DR Funding - Method of Distribution
Attachments: Hays Co MOD Draft CC Approved Nov 15 2016.pdf; MOD PP Presentation Update Nov 15.pptx; Hays County MOD Public Hearing Notice_Final.docx

Hello Carole,

It has been a while since we last spoke and I sincerely hope that you are doing well. I am contacting you regarding an allocation of CDBG-DR funding through the Department of Housing and Urban Development for Texas under DR-4223 and DR-4245, administered by the Texas General Land Office (GLO), for federally-declared disaster events in 2015. As a "most impacted area", Hays County has been charged by the GLO to develop a Method of Distribution (MOD) for allocation of approximately \$7.4 million in funding (\$2,369,702 or 32% for housing, and \$5,035,617 or 68% for non-housing) for both the County and for local jurisdictions impacted by the disaster events. A draft of the MOD was approved on Tuesday, November 15, 2016 by the Hays County Commissioners Court and is posted on the Hays County website (<http://www.co.hays.tx.us/cdbg-disaster-recovery-funding.aspx>) to open a public review and comment period that will close on December 7, 2016 at 5:00pm. I'm including copies of both the draft MOD and the presentation given to the Commissioners Court for your review (see attachments). Also is a public notice that you may post at your offices to alert the visiting public of the proposed MOD. Please note that San Marcos received a separate, direct allocation from HUD and is therefore not included under the Hays County funding.

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Jeff Hauff
Hays County Grants Administrator
512-393-2209

Jeff Hauff

From: Jeff Hauff
Sent: Friday, November 18, 2016 10:49 AM
To: 'southside_comm@yahoo.com'
Cc: Margaret Buentello
Subject: Hays County CDBG-DR Funding - Method of Distribution
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Attn: Ruben Garza, Executive Director

Hello Ruben,

It has been a while since we last spoke and I sincerely hope that you are doing well. I am contacting you regarding an allocation of CDBG-DR funding through the Department of Housing and Urban Development for Texas under DR-4223 and DR-4245, administered by the Texas General Land Office (GLO), for federally-declared disaster events in 2015. As a "most impacted area", Hays County has been charged by the GLO to develop a Method of Distribution (MOD) for allocation of approximately \$7.4 million in funding (\$2,369,702 or 32% for housing, and \$5,035,617 or 68% for non-housing) for both the County and for local jurisdictions impacted by the disaster events. A draft of the MOD was approved on Tuesday, November 15, 2016 by the Hays County Commissioners Court and is posted on the Hays County website (<http://www.co.hays.tx.us/cdbg-disaster-recovery-funding.aspx>) to open a public review and comment period that will close on December 7, 2016 at 5:00pm. I'm including copies of both the draft MOD and the presentation given to the Commissioners Court for your review (see attachments). Also is a public notice that you may post at your offices to alert the visiting public of the proposed MOD. Please note that San Marcos received a separate, direct allocation from HUD and is therefore not included under the Hays County funding.

A Public Hearing has been scheduled in conjunction with a regular meeting of the Hays County Commissioners Court for Tuesday, December 6, 2016 at 10:00 am in the Hays County Courtroom, 111 E. San Antonio St., Rm. 301, San Marcos, Texas 78666 (Courthouse on the Square) to receive comment. Written comments (preferred) will also be accepted by mail sent to Jeff Hauff, Hays County Grants Administrator, 712 S. Stagecoach Trail, Suite 1204, San Marcos, TX 78666 or by email to jeff.hauff@co.hays.tx.us. They must be received by 5:00 pm Wednesday, December 7, 2016.

Please feel free to call me should you have questions or concerns, and provide written comment if you would like those comments to be included as project record. Thank you in advance for your consideration.

Best Regards,
Jeff Hauff
Hays County Grants Administrator
512-393-2209

Jeff Hauff

From: Lauren Chernow
Sent: Friday, November 18, 2016 11:17 AM
To: Lauren Chernow
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Subject: Hays County Press Release: County Sets Disaster Funding Public Hearing for Community Input

Attachments: Hays County Press Release_County Holds Public Hearing for Disaster Funding Input.docx

Hays County is seeking public comment on the distribution of flood recovery block grant funds made available for the floods and storms in May and October 2015. A public hearing for comments will be held at 10 a.m. during the regular Commissioners Court meeting on December 6. Comments will also be taken by mail and email through 5 p.m. December 7.

Lauren Chernow
Hays County Communications Manager
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Nov. 18, 2016

Hays County to hold Public Hearing for Comments on Distribution of Disaster Recovery Block Grant Funds

Hays County Courthouse, San Marcos, TX – Hays County will hold a public hearing to hear comments from residents about the distribution of approximately \$7.4 million in Community Development Block Grants designated to help the area recover from the storms and floods that occurred in May and October 2015. The funds are intended to support programs and projects that address an identified priority need and that primarily benefit low-to-moderate-income persons affected by 2015 flooding in the unincorporated areas of Hays County and the cities of Buda, Dripping Springs, Kyle, Uhland and Wimberley.

The hearing will be at 10 a.m. Tuesday, December 6, during the regular meeting of the Hays County Commissioners Court at 111. E. San Antonio Street (Courthouse on the Square), Suite 301, San Marcos, TX 78666.

“The proposed Method of Distribution is posted on the County website at www.co.hays.tx.us, and is also available for review in the Grants Administration Office and each County Commissioner Precinct Office,” Jeff Hauff, Grants Administrator for Hays County, said. “In addition, we’ll be accepting comments until 5 p.m. Wednesday, December 7 by email (Jeff.Hauff@co.hays.tx.us) and by regular mail sent to Grants Administration Office, 712 S. Stagecoach Trail, Suite 1204, San Marcos, TX 78666.”

The grant funds are made available by the Texas General Land Office (GLO) through the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). Each government entity will manage its own fund allocation directly with the GLO.

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The City Council of the City of San Marcos, Texas, will hold a public hearing in the Council Chambers at City Hall, 830 E. Hopkins, at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, December 6, 2016, to consider the following:

PDA-14-03 Hold a Public Hearing and consider a request by Metcalfe, Wolf, Stuart & Williams, LLP on behalf of Walton Texas, LP for approval of a development agreement for approximately 2,358 acres out of the William Pettus League Survey, generally located north of Martindale to FM 1986 and east of the San Marcos Airport to State Highway 142.

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An amendment to the approved Consent Agreement for Cotton Center Municipal Utility District #1 (Ordinance 2014-70), at the request of Metcalfe, Wolfe, Stuart & Williams on behalf of Walton Texas, LP, to change the requirement of creating a Sub-District from two (2) years to five (5) years of the date of the confirmation election of the District. The Municipal Utility District is generally located north of Martindale to FM 1986 and east of the San Marcos Airport to State Highway 142.

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Pursuant to Chapter 59, Texas Property Code, LockTite Storage - Dripping Springs- which is located at 3000 Hwy 290 E, Dripping Springs, TX 78620 will hold a public auction of property being sold to satisfy a landlord's lien. Sale will begin at 1:30 pm on Monday, Dec. 12, 2016, at 3000 E Hwy 290, Dripping Springs, TX 78620.

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Hold a Public Hearing and consider Resolutions supporting an application by San Marcos TD I, LP to the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs for 2017 Housing Tax Credits for the proposed Emil at San Marcos multi-family development located north of the intersection of Ratlier Rd and Old Bastrop Highway.

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Public Notice

Notice of Public Hearing



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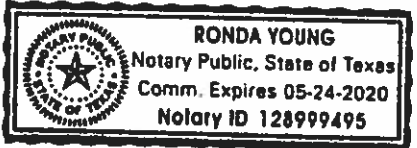
for Hays County, Texas, personally appeared Don Moore,
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Cap Metro sets Thanksgiving schedule

Capital Metro will operate its Sunday schedule Thursday in observance of Thanksgiving Day, so there will be no MetroRail, University of Texas Shuttle, Night Owl or E-Bus services.

Capital Metro will operate its Saturday schedule Friday, with no MetroRail, UT Shuttle or E-Bus service.

MetroAccess subscription trips will be canceled automatically Thursday and Friday. Customers who need to keep their subscription trips should call 512-852-7272 to reschedule.

Capital Metro administrative offices and the Transit Store will be closed both days as well; however, customers will have 24-hour access to the customer service line at 512-474-1200 and online trip planner.

More information about Capital Metro schedules and services can be found at capmetro.org or on the CapMetro app. Service returns to its regular schedule Saturday.

—AMERICAN-STATESMAN STAFF

DOWNTOWN AUSTIN

Lane closures on Colorado Street

The southbound travel lanes on Colorado Street from 10th to Eighth streets will be reduced to a single lane beginning Wednesday.

The additional lane closure is necessary for the installation of new storm drain, water and wastewater lines; full-depth street reconstruction; wider sidewalks; and curb and gutter maintenance.

This portion of work is expected to be complete by the end of January. At that time, the city's contractor is expected to move to the other side of Colorado Street from Eighth to 10th streets, where they will work until June 2017.

—AMERICAN-STATESMAN STAFF

WILLIAMSON COUNTY

GEORGETOWN

Night Before Stroll on Dec. 2

The Williamson County Museum, at 716 S. Austin Ave., will host the Night Before Stroll at 6 p.m. Dec. 2.

The free event will include light refreshments, a performance by the Sun City Dulcimers and a display of paintings in the "Toys We Grew Up With" exhibit.

For more information: williamsonmuseum.org.

—AMERICAN-STATESMAN STAFF

ROUND ROCK

Pesticide seminar offered Dec. 8

The District 8 Farm and Ranch Seminar, a multi-county pesticide applicator continuing education units program for farmers and ranchers, will be held from 7 a.m. to 4 p.m. Dec. 8. The seminar will be offered at the J.B. & Hallie Jester Building, 1801 Old Settlers Blvd.

Seminar participants will be able to receive up to eight continuing education units. Of these eight hours, four hours will be in general, two will be in integrated pest management and two will be in laws and regulations. Licensed commercial and noncommercial applicators will be able to obtain their required five hours within the first five hours of the program.

The program cost is \$50 and includes lunch. The advance registration deadline is Dec. 5; any one registering afterward is not guaranteed a meal.

To register and for more information: williamson.agrillife.org.

—AMERICAN-STATESMAN STAFF

HAYS COUNTY

SAN MARCOS

Disaster recovery hearing Dec. 6

Hays County will hold a public hearing to hear comments from residents about the distribution of disaster recovery grant funds at 10 a.m. Dec. 6 at the Hays County Commissioners Court, Suite 301, 111 E. San Antonio St.

Participants will be able to provide comments and suggestions on areas and programs to which funds may be designated.

The \$7.4 million in grant funds are designated to help the area recover from the storms and floods that occurred in May and October 2015. The funds are intended to support programs and projects that address an identified priority need and that primarily benefit low- to moderate-income people.

The proposed method of distribution is available at www.co.hays.tx.us.

—AMERICAN-STATESMAN STAFF

CENTRAL TEXAS

ROUND ROCK SCHOOLS

Teachers union files grievance over District of Innovation plan

By Nicole Barrios

nicole.barrios@acnewsnewspapers.com

The Texas State Teachers Association has filed a grievance with the Round Rock school district, urging officials to nullify the recently approved District of Innovation plan.

Despite comments from teachers opposing the initiative, the school board Oct. 20 unanimously voted to approve the plan. The designation allows traditional school districts to utilize flexible operation strategies similar to charter schools.

The District of Innovation plan is part of House Bill 1842, which passed last year during the 84th legislative session.

Russell Ramirez, general counsel for the association, filed the complaint on behalf of Education Round Rock, a union of education professionals affiliated with the association and Texas American Federation of Teachers. In the complaint, Ramirez asks Superintendent Steve Flores to schedule a hearing regarding the grievance.

In a statement, the district defended its choice to explore the innovation

designation.

"Round Rock ISD pursued District of Innovation to help classroom teachers and schools better serve students through local control and flexibility," it reads. "We look forward to working with our teachers and to writing local policies that benefit families and continue to protect teachers."

The grievance argues that district officials violated the Texas Education Code in developing the plan, which requires two-thirds of a committee overseeing the plan to be teachers. According to the complaint, the committee included only four teachers.

The complaint also states that the three professional staff members of the committee — two principals and the district's executive director of secondary teaching and learning — were not members of a campus-level committee, which they said also is required by the Texas Education Code.

"We object to the plan in general, and we specifically oppose the waiver of class size limits. Larger classes diminish the amount of education each student receives," the grievance states.

"We further object to the removal of the requirement that teachers be certified. Certification is a clear indication of competence. It should not be replaced with a system that is arbitrary and subject to cronyism."

According to the plan, state statute requires the district to disrupt elementary classrooms when enrollment fluctuates to meet the 22-to-1 student-to-teacher ratio. The innovation plan states students would benefit from exceeding that ratio in some situations.

Another exemption in the plan will change teacher certification requirements for hard-to-fill areas.

The requirements inhibit the district's ability to hire highly skilled individuals to teach courses like dual-credit and career and technical education courses, as well as world languages, according to the plan.

In the statement, the district said it will work with Education Round Rock to address its concerns to make sure all proper procedures are followed and to support teachers and families.

Contact Nicole Barrios at 512-255-5827.

WEST AUSTIN

Artisans' Market offered unique gifts, chance to support libraries

The Nov. 12 event also raised scholarship money for student volunteers.

By Suzanne Majors Davis

Westlake Picaune contributing writer

A beautiful fall day delighted hundreds of patrons trying to get a jump on their holiday shopping at the second annual Artisans' Market Nov. 12 at the Laura Bush Community Library.

The Friends of the Westbank Library event featured 27 artists with unique wares, a silent auction, food trucks and activities for families.

The event was created by the Friends of the Westbank Library to assist with various needs and raise scholarship funds for high school students who have volunteered 50 or more hours for the Westbank libraries. One student will receive a \$1,000 scholarship and two students will receive \$750 gifts.

Kristi Floyd, the Westbank Libraries program manager, said the Friends of the Westbank Library worked hard to ensure the second annual event would be successful.

"Friends (of the Westbank Library members) look for vendors with diverse mediums," Floyd said. "We have a number of new ones this year."

Artisans must submit applications and photos of their artwork to be considered. Each artist is asked to donate an item to be included in a silent auction that accompanies the event.

One of the artists was Christina Allen, who started making candles two years ago and has a company called Kerr Street Candles.

"I liked gifting people with candles — and learned from a lot of practice and mistakes," Allen said. Allen uses soy wax because "it burns clean and has no toxins. My candles are all-natural and dye-free. I use essential oils."

With a couple of hours left in the event, she had sold 100 candles, many of which cost \$14 each.

Colorful silk clothing beckoned



Artist Annette Tiberi (left) shows Ingrid Gillespie the various ways she can use her silk art clothing and accessories at the second annual Artisans' Market at the Laura Bush Community Library on Nov. 12. The event featured 27 artists, a silent auction and family activities. SUZANNE MAJORS DAVIS / FOR WESTLAKEPICAUNE

patrons who were looking to wearable art created by Annette Tiberi, who featured scarves and art that she paints by hand.

Tiberi, a trained potter and watercolor artist, said she got started by wearing her creations to the office.

"Women at work started asking me to make them some, so that's how my business got off the ground," Tiberi said. "It was love at first stroke when I started painting silk in 2004."

Another artist was Stephen Moy, 91, who previously lived New Jersey and has been making stained-glass art for 40 years.

"I started when I retired from being a bus mechanic and inspector," Moy said. "I was looking for something to do and took a course in stained glass. My wife would pick the colors, and I

soldered the glass."

As he sat in his booth with Moy's daughter Lyra Bemis he recalled how she and her sisters would ask him to make them decorations after he retired, just to keep him busy. After that, business blossomed. His top sellers are Christmas ornaments, dragonflies and butterflies.

Moy's work is featured at the Zilker Garden Gift Shop, the Old Bakery Emporium and Blue Moon Stained Glass.

"The early success of the show can be attributed to the fact that it focuses on local artists and high-quality handmade items," said Cathy Thompson, who came up with the idea for the event and serves on the Friends of the Westbank Library board. "We are looking for new volunteers to help with various events and bake sales."

ROUND ROCK

DRIPPING SPRINGS Century-News

Public Hearing for County Disaster Funds

Submitted by Dripping1 on Thu, 12/01/2016 - 8:33pm
By: Anita Miller

A public hearing will be held at 10 a.m. on Tuesday, Dec. 6 concerning Community Development Block Grant-Disaster Recovery funds to be distributed by Hays County.

Eligible are projects outside the city of San Marcos, as the city received its own CDBGDR funding in the amount of \$25 million.

Jeff Hauff, the county's grants administrator, said Hays was determined one of Texas' "most impacted" four counties because of the May and October floods of 2015, and as such, is due to receive \$7,405,319 through the General Land Office (GLO).

Of that, 32 percent (\$2,369,702) must be spent on housing needs and 68 percent (5,035,617) for non-housing infrastructure needs. Additionally, at least 70 percent of the funding must benefit low to moderate income households.

"All projects have to be tied back to the two floods," Hauff told commissioners and County Judge Bert Cobb during their Tuesday meeting. "Hays County is charged with developing a method of distribution. We have to devise a method."

Hauff said any funds that are not allocated will be returned to the GLO for a future re-allocation; and he noted that the GLO sets a minimum on projects of \$100,000 for non-housing infrastructure and \$500,000 for housing.

Resident will have an opportunity to make comments that will go on the record during the public hearing, and may also submit comments directly to the Grants Office through 5 p.m. on Dec. 7.

A preliminary breakdown shows \$2,912,334 going to non-housing projects in unincorporated Hays County, and \$1,503,514 to housing. Buda will receive \$275,382 for non-housing projects, Dripping Springs, \$288,898, Kyle, \$1,182,376, \$177,490 to Umland and \$199,36 to Wimberley.

<http://drippingspringsnews.com/articles/2016/12/01/public-hearing-county-disaster-funds>


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FLOOD RECOVERY

County eyes divvying up HUD funding

RUSSELL WILDE
STAFF REPORTER

Hays County commissioners have been tasked with distributing roughly \$7.4 million of federal aid to fund recovery from the two floods in 2015. That funding comes with some difficult strings

attached. On Tuesday, commissioners held a public hearing to discuss how the county has planned to allocate the funds. Because the city of San Marcos received its own Community Development Block Grant-Disaster Recover allocation

from the department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), it is not included in the county funding.

About a third of the funding has to be used for housing needs. The Texas General Land Office is the state agency overseeing the

funding related to the disaster declarations. The county had planned to give the city of Wimberley more than \$800,000 but Don Ferguson, Wimberley city administrator, said because of grants, the city would likely only need about \$500,000. At least 70 percent of the fund-

ing, almost \$5.2 million, must be distributed to low to moderate (LMI) income households or on projects whose service areas contain at least 70 percent LMI individuals/households. To qualify as a LMI household a family of

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TXST UNIVERSITY

Lecturer lands on 'watch list'

BRIA PATTON
NEWS INTERN

A Texas State University professor is among at least six in the state who has found himself listed on a conservative activism website that challenges college students to "expose your radical professor."

Rick Henderson, a senior

CREATIVE CRAFTS



UNSOLVED MURDER

Public input might crack 'cold case'

ANITA MILLER
MANAGING EDITOR

It wasn't an unusual evening. Justin Douglas Gage, a 20-year-old student at Texas State University, had been

lowered; however, Gage soon collapsed in the parking lot. No getaway vehicle was seen.

The friend called 911 at approximately 3:29 a.m. on

OBITUARIES

Darrell Hortness

On Thursday, Dec. 1, 2016, we lost the most generous, hard-working, story-weaving man that we will always remember. After 86 years of accumulative careers as a teacher, a Marine, a Golden Glove Champion, a football player, a coach, an insurance salesman, dance instructor, contractor, and harmonica player, he finally retired with his boots still on.

Darrell graduated from Pharr High School 1948, played football for Southwest Texas State College from 1948-52, served as 1st Lt. in Marines from 1952-54, received his Master Degree from SWT in 1956, taught and coached at SMHS and Edna High School, built custom homes in San Marcos for 44 years, inducted into the Bobcat Hall of Honor in 1986 and was employed by Chuck Nash Auto Group as Jack-of-All-Trades-Engineer.

Born in McAllen, Texas, he was married to Lola Ann Fischer Keek for 25 years. They have 4 daughters: Dara (Jerry) Zaboroski, Rhonda (Dr. Dan) Miller, Tange (Jerry) Hamilton and



Darrell Hortness

Linda (Walter) Shaffer. He is survived by 5 siblings Dorothy Lauw of Carrollton, Ruby McAlpine of Ozona, Raymond Hortness of Leakey and Orval (Faye) Hortness of Littleton, CO, and Annette Aury of Edinburg. Darrell was most proud of his fourteen grandchildren; Jared (Meghan)

Miller, Sam (Mandie) Miller, Rachel, Elizabeth, Hannah and Abigail Miller; Jacob (Chaley) Hamilton, Rebecca and Katherine Hamilton; Hunter (Deanna) Shaffer, Grant, Landry, Courtney and Zachary Shaffer and one great grandson, Kent Williams Miller.

Equally as important, he leaves behind countless people whose lives he shaped and molded through his own example of integrity and self-discipline. We love you so much and cannot believe you are gone.

A memorial service will be held Sunday, Dec. 11, 2016, 3-5 pm at the Bobcat Stadium End Zone Complex, J. Garland Warren Room, 2nd Floor located at 1100 Aquarena Springs Drive, San Marcos, Texas.

In lieu of flowers please send monetary donations to the Darrell Hortness Scholarship Fund.

Make checks payable to: Texas State University, Memo: Darrell Hortness, Mail to: Texas State Athletics, Attention: Travis Comer, Darren B Casey Bldg, 601 University Drive, San Marcos, TX 78666.

Dr. Charles E. Blutworth Jr.

Dr. Charles E. Blutworth, Jr., 86, of Buda, TX, passed away on Dec. 2, 2016. Visitation at 12 p.m., with funeral service to follow at 2 p.m., Thursday, Dec. 8, 2016, at Pennington Funeral Home. Interment to follow at the Live Oak Cemetery in Manchaca, TX.

Arrangements by Pennington Funeral Home, San Marcos, TX, 512-353-4311. www.penningtonfuneralhome.com



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the Outstanding Professor Award in 1998 and 2006. Since 1996, he has been a sponsor of the Politics in Film Series. His interests include party politics, state and local government and film politics.

According to many of Henderson's students, he is known for openly expressing his values and beliefs in his classes. A few of his former students shared positive comments regarding his teaching and courses.

"Professor Henderson was a really good teacher and he has a really great understanding of government. I really appreciated his course, but I definitely think he was a bit skewed to the left," Taylor Zavala, political science senior, said. "That being said, I assumed he could teach whatever he felt since it was his classroom."

"Personally, I enjoyed the

fact that he wasn't afraid to share his opinions on things," Mikaela Burge, psychology senior, said. "He kept me interested and engaged in his class by doing so, and he is a really smart man who always had valid arguments to back up his opinions."

"When Professor Henderson said his thoughts and opinions, he never forced them on the students and allowed students to voice their counterarguments and was very understanding," Michelle Guzman, communication design junior, said. "I enjoyed his class because he was passionate and knowledgeable of his arguments and lectures."

The list also includes four professors from the University of Texas at Austin and one from South Texas College.

UNSOLVED FROM PG. 1

from church along River Road on July 19, 1998 came across the body of James Reyes and, thinking he was sleeping, tried to rouse him.

Police later determined the San Marcos resident, who had been stabbed once in the abdomen, was last seen at a bar in Reedville. Investigators surmised he had been killed elsewhere and his body dumped on River Road; however temperatures well into the 90s that day worked against preservation of evidence and the exact time he died could never be pinpointed.

Mystery also surrounds the Sept. 19, 1992 death of Dionicio DeLeon. The 43-year-old custodian at what was then Southwest Texas State University was found slumped over the wheel of his Ford Explorer in the 1600 block of Interstate 35 South at 11:20 p.m.

He had been shot in the head. The motor of his vehicle was running and the headlights were still on when police arrived. It was determined that the wound was not self-inflicted, and investigators said it's possible he was trying to drive

himself to Central Texas Medical Center.

Just a month prior, San Marcos Police began another murder investigation that never yielded an arrest. Jose Romero, 24, was found fully clothed in the San Marcos River by fishermen on a Saturday morning, in August 1992. Thinking he had drowned, the fishermen called 911 and the San Marcos Police Department sent a rescue truck.

But when his body was lifted out of the river, what had happened became clear — his throat had been slashed.

There is no statute of limitation on murder, and over the years police departments in San Marcos and elsewhere have had increasing luck with DNA analysis.

Anyone with any information on any of the above cases is asked to contact the SMPD Criminal Investigations Division.

Those who wish to remain anonymous can contact Crime Stoppers at www.callcrimestoppers.com or 800-324-TIPS or through www.citizenobserver.com.

Hays lifts burn ban but urges extreme caution

The Hays County Commissioners Court today rescinded the burn ban for the unincorporated areas of Hays County.

Hays County Fire Marshal Clint Browning urged property owners to burn debris as soon as possible, as dry weather is expected to return soon. "Texas weather changes rapidly, so it is best to take advantage of wetter weather when you can," he said. "Once the current wet ground and vegetation have dried out, there will be a lot of dried vegetation that can quickly fuel a fire." Brown-

ing reminded property owners to ensure a responsible adult is on the scene of the fire at all times and to have a water source nearby.

As a courtesy, property owners are asked to let their neighbors know when they are burning outside, and if local fire departments have requested to be notified to do so. There is no need to contact the Hays County Sheriff's Office Dispatch Center when you plan to burn.

• Submitted by Lauren Chernowl/Hays County

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four would have to have an annual income of less than \$62,250.

"It's going to be tough to find instances where we can meet that 70 percent," said Jeff Hauff, county grants administrator. "We all have to remember that this is a program coming out of HUD that's dedicated to helping the less fortunate, and it's geared towards the low to moderate income individuals that aren't getting assistance in other areas."

The city of Kyle is set to receive nearly \$1.2 mil-

lion for infrastructure and drainage projects. Dripping Spring, Buda, Umland and Wimberley are also set to receive money funds for non-housing projects.

The county will oversee the bulk of the grant, \$2.9 million for infrastructure and \$1.5 million for housing projects. Commissioners will likely approve their distribution plan next week. Hauff says it will likely take a door to door survey to identify projects that meet the requirements for funding.

SeaWorld cutting 320 jobs

ORLANDO, Fla. (AP) — SeaWorld Entertainment Inc. is eliminating 320 jobs across its 12-park company.

Company officials said Tuesday in a statement that the goal of the restructuring is to eliminate costs and improve the company's operations.

The job eliminations involve both salaried and hourly workers.

The company says it will

offer severance packages and job-placement assistance to affected workers.

SeaWorld's attendance and revenue have suffered in the face of a campaign by animal-rights activists.

Earlier this year, the company announced it was ending its orca-breeding program and stopping its traditional killer-whale shows.

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inches wearing hoodies and mask — would strike elsewhere as the case appeared to be an attempted robbery. But no other cases ever turned up.

There is no statute of limitations on murder, and Gage's death is still very much under investigation. Anyone with any information in the case is urged to contact Det. Sandra Sprigal

at 512-753-2369 or ssprigal@sanmarcos.tx.gov during regular business hours or the department's non-emergency number 512-753-2108 after hours.

Those who wish to remain anonymous can contact Crime Stoppers at www.callcrimestoppers.com or 800-324-TIPS or through www.citizenobserver.com.

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Uvalde	873.2 msl	872.8 msl
Comal Springs	608 cfs	421 cfs
San Marcos Springs	262 cfs	248 cfs
San Marcos	N/A	0 percent reduction
San Antonio	N/A	0 percent reduction
Uvalde	N/A	0 percent reduction

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[Hays County OKs \\$7.4 million flood-recovery grant allocation to cities](#)

By [Brett Thorne](#) | Posted Dec. 20, 2016 at 4:47 pm

On Tuesday, Hays County Commissioners Court unanimously approved the allocation of more than \$7.4 million of disaster-recovery grant funds to cities throughout the county that sustained damage during the two destructive floods in 2015. The allocation plan will be submitted to the Texas General Land Office for final approval.

The allocations are broken into two categories: housing, which will be used to assist homeowners in rehabilitating or rebuilding their property, and nonhousing, which includes infrastructure projects to improve flood resiliency.

The allocations are as follows:

Nonhousing

Unincorporated Hays County—\$3,210,051.10

Buda—\$307,432.16

Kyle—\$1,319,986.40

Uhland—\$198,147.35

Housing

Unincorporated Hays County—\$1,851,226

Wimberley—\$518,476

The city of San Marcos is not eligible to receive funding from the grant because the city was awarded a separate \$25.08 million disaster-recovery grant by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development in February.

The county's grant includes a requirement that at least 70 percent of funds be used to benefit low- or moderate-income residents.

"We don't set these criteria," county Judge Bert Cobb said. "They're set by the state and the feds. I think [County Grants Administrator Jeff Hauff has] done a remarkable job in what you've given us to work with."

Hauff said a precise list of projects has yet to be created, but when the GLO approves the funding allocations, each city will begin work on identifying which projects will receive funding.

Dripping Springs declined to participate in the grant program because the city did not believe it would have any projects that met the requirement that at least 70 percent of the grant funds help low- to moderate-income residents.

Wimberley declined to use any of the grant for infrastructure projects but will use \$518,476 on projects aimed at rehabilitating or rebuilding flood-damaged homes in the city.

Hauff said there is not an exact timeline for when the GLO may approve the allocations. It is also working with Harris, Hidalgo and Travis counties to administer disaster-recovery money.

"Initially [the GLO was] talking about probably [approving the allocations] by January, but I'm not sure that still holds," Hauff said. "I'm hoping we'll have a fairly quick turnaround."

CDBG Social Media/Website Posts

Information Box with direct link to CDBG grant fund landing page posted November 16, 2016

www.co.hays.tx.us

Press Release Issued/Posted on County website November 18, 2016

<http://www.co.hays.tx.us/hays-county-to-hold-public-hearing-for-comments-on-distribution-of-disaster-recovery-block-grant-funds.aspx>

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Links to Articles on Hays County CDBG-DR Method of Distribution

<https://communityimpact.com/austin/san-marcos-buda-kyle/city-county/2016/11/15/hays-county-prepares-7-4-million-disaster-recovery-grant-allocation/>

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**Hays County Method of Distribution
For
2015 Floods CDBG – Disaster Recovery**

Appendix C

Webinar Presentation for Eligible Jurisdictions

From: Kharley Smith
Sent: Monday, October 03, 2016 4:37 PM
To: Jeff Hauff
Subject: FW: CBDG-DR Overview and Discussion

Good Morning Mayors, City Managers, and Emergency Management Planners:

Many of your jurisdictions were able to attend the GLO facilitated meeting at CAPCOG last month where we received information on the CBDG-DR program. In doing so, you learned along with us, that funding would be distributed on a County level and then project prioritization would be determined to facilitate funding to municipalities. As this is a new process to everyone, we thought it best to host a webinar to go over some of the basics of CBDG-DR and discuss project ideas. This grant is no different than most in its rushed timeline so we are hoping to have all projects identified in the next couple weeks. When you join the webinar on Thursday please have projects in mind along with any questions you may have. We thought hosting this over lunch would be convenient for most but if you are unable to join please let me know.

This will be a web-enabled skype meeting.
Thursday 10/6 @ noon

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GLO CDBG-DR Meeting Notes
CAPCOG Austin August 3, 2016

Funding to be distributed to counties based on prorated disaster damages to infrastructure and housing in the county; estimate 68% of allocation to infrastructure and remainder to housing; ~\$22,200,000 to the 4 county area of Harris, Hays, Hidalgo, and Travis counties.

Must meet one of the HUD designated National Objectives to be eligible for award:

- Benefitting low- and moderate income persons
- Preventing or eliminating slum or blight
- Meeting urgent needs

Disaster related activities must be CDBG eligible, meet a national objective, and address a direct or indirect impact from the 2015 disasters in a Presidentially-declared county.

Activities include housing, infrastructure, and economic revitalization.

70% of the allocation **must** benefit low- to moderate income persons – based on defined service area from county-wide down to census tract/block group or determined by income survey.


Allocation from GLO will be made at County level (expected in a couple of weeks), and County must determine criteria for level/amount and distribution of funding based on objective scoring criteria commonly applied to CDBG projects in general for all applicants within the jurisdiction.

County must hold a public hearing to discuss criteria and potential projects.

Common criteria can be found in TDA RRC Training and Scoring Guidelines distributed to COGs.


There may be additional allocations through HUD.

Essentially, all HUD requirements will apply and there are no waivers proposed at this time.




Hays County, Texas
CDBG-DR Project Identification Webinar
October 6, 2016 – 12:00pm

State of Texas GLO CDBG-DR allocation and subsequent municipal participation and project identification.




Agenda

- I. Introductions
- II. Webinar goals
- III. Review Hays County's Method of Distribution (MOD) Plan Process
- IV. Municipal Needs
- V. Project eligibility and Identification
- VI. Timeline
- VII. Questions




Introductions

- I. Hays County Recovery Planning Team
 - a. Lon Shell
 - b. Clint Garza
 - c. Kharley Smith
 - d. Vickie Dorsett
 - e. Will Conley
 - f. Mark Kennedy
 - g. Jeff Hauff
- II. Tetra Tech
 - a. John Burl & Erik Genga
- III. Municipalities



Webinar Goals – Discuss the MOD Plan Process


1. Identify impacts from the events and level of recovery
2. Identify unmet need through data collection, project review and cost calculations
3. Begin preliminary project identification for County projects
4. Meet with GLO
5. Obtain and review the Texas GLO CDBG-DR Action Plan
6. Meet with Hays County municipalities
 - a. Review plan development process
 - b. Discuss project eligibility criteria
 - c. Identify impacts
 - d. Discuss needs
 - e. Identify potential projects
7. Incorporate projects into existing plan
7. Submit MOD Plan to GLO



Identify Impacts from the Disaster Events and the Level of Recovery.

Hays County inventoried the impacts from the 2015 storm events.


In anticipation of a HUD funded CDBG-DR allocation for the disaster events, Hays County worked with Tetra Tech staff to identify and discuss the impacts from the storm events.



Needs Assessment


Tetra Tech needs assessment activities included:

- Visiting impacted sites across the County
- Interviewing County staff
- Compiling recovery data and identifying recovery funding sources
- Interviewing stakeholders who assisted in recovery
- Research and interviews to identify LMI populations and areas of greatest needs




Preliminary Project Identification

- County recovery staff and Tetra Tech staff held two sessions of needs analysis and project identification reviews.
- Project identification included potential projects across the impacted regions of the County
- Projects were vetted against known CDBG-DR eligibility criteria. Specific limitations placed by TX GLO could not be considered until release of the State CDBG-DR Action Plan.




Summary of GLO Action Plan as it Pertains to Hays County

- I. Texas allocated \$50,696,000 in CDBG-DR funds, \$22,228,800 of which was set aside for "most impacted" areas including Hays County
- II. 68% of funds utilized must be used on non-housing activities; 32% of the funds utilized must be used on housing activities.
- III. Minimum allocation of \$100,000 and a maximum of \$7,405,319
 Non-housing maximum allocation (68%) = \$5,035,616
 Housing maximum allocation (32%) = \$2,369,703



Summary of GLO Action Plan as it Pertains to Hays County – Cont.


- IV. Start is January/February 2017
- V. GLO WILL consider using all three national objectives to carry out programs
- VI. Mitigation measures must be related to repairing damage caused by storm event
- VII. 70% of the funds must benefit low- moderate income persons/households
- VIII. Hays County must submit a Method of Distribution (MOD) plan to the GLO



Eligible Activities – Cont.

Housing Activities: Housing activities allowed under CDBG-DR include but are not limited to:


- Single-family and multifamily repair, rehabilitation, and / or new construction;
- Repair and replacement of manufactured housing units;
- Hazard mitigation;
- Elevation;
- Buyouts; and
- Other activities associated with the recovery of housing stock impacted.



Eligible Activities

Eligible non-housing activities include

- Restoration of infrastructure (such as water and sewer facilities, streets, provision of generators, removal of debris, drainage, bridges, etc.);
- Demolition, rehabilitation of publicly or privately owned commercial or industrial buildings, and code enforcement;
- Economic development (such as microenterprise and small business assistance, commercial rehabilitation, and special economic development activities).



Input from Municipalities Impacts from the Disaster Events and Recovery/Mitigation Needs


What were the primary impacts from the disaster?

Where did the impacts take place?

What recovery efforts have occurred?

Is there additional funding available?

Has there been estimates for costs to address needs?



Identify Potential Projects

What projects should be considered?


How do the projects address needs?

Is the project directly related to the disaster event?

Are the projects eligible under CDBG-DR and GLO Action Plan criteria?

Does the project benefit LMI populations?

Who does the project benefit and/or what is its "service area"?




Project Summary Forms


Project Summary Sheets must be completed and returned to the County within 2 weeks for consideration and inclusion in the MOD plan (Friday, October 21, 2016).

Projects benefitting LMI populations will receive highest consideration to ensure that the 70% LMI funding benefit is met.

If you have questions regarding project service area or project beneficiaries please contact:
Erik Genga
email: erik.genga@tehratech.com
Phone: 717-545-3580



Hays County Anticipated MOD Plan Submission Date – October 31, 2016



Questions?

Thank You!

PROJECT TITLE –

Project Overview and Background

Provide a summary of the site location and what the project entails. Any history on the site, facility, etc. should also be included.

Connection to the Disaster

Insert specific details on how the proposed project will address direct impacts from the disaster or respond to issues discovered/exacerbated by the disaster and improve future protection.

Solution

Describe the proposed project and specific components, designs, and expected outcomes.

Process and Timeline

Describe key steps in the process (design, permitting, property acquisition etc.) and current status.

Project completion is anticipated to take approximately XX (months/years).

Cost Estimate

The estimated total project cost is \$XXX,000.

Project Benefits and Scoring

Provide a summary of the project's benefits. Benefits may include but are not limited to: goals accomplished, flood protection, environmental protection, area of benefit, ease of implementation, provision of public services, funding leverage, partnership opportunities, economic development, public safety, quality of life, among others.

Funding Eligibility

Provide information indicating the project is eligible for CDBG-DR funding by providing the following information:

- Eligible CDBG Activity
- National Objective (benefits LMI population, elimination of blight, urgent need)
- Duplication of benefits - List any other funding the project has received or will be receiving

**Hays County Method of Distribution
For
2015 Floods CDBG – Disaster Recovery**

Appendix D

Public Input and Comments

Hays County Method of Distribution For 2015 Floods CDBG – Disaster Recovery

Public Comments - Summary

Initially, views from the public were presented to County Elected Officials and staff immediately after the disaster events when impacted locations were visited. Based on these comments and observations, Hays County took on the immediate task of debris removal to clear roads and other facilities to restore access and function. The first opportunity for formal public comment for the development of the Method of Distribution was perhaps during and after the webinar held with local government jurisdictions on October 6, 2016 that presented a general overview of the program for CDBG-DR funding, potential criteria that would or could be considered, and a request for the communities to submit worksheets regarding the development of potential contemplated projects. Communities responded with projects ranging from housing needs (Wimberley and Buda) to non-housing projects such as drainage and road/low water crossing improvements and dam rehabilitation, among others. While these specific project descriptions/worksheets have not been included with this document, the presentation and outline for proposed project are attached in Appendix C. As the development of the MOD progressed and more was known about how funding would be allocated by the State GLO, and after the first initial action on the MOD by the Hays County Commissioners Court on November 15, 2016 (see Appendix E for details of this meeting as well as other associated actions by the Commissioners Court), contact was accomplished by phone and emails to the jurisdictions as well as visits by staff members. Written comments were also submitted by the local jurisdictions and made up the majority of the public comments received, and are summarized below and can be found in the following pages.

Notification of the MOD process, the proposed draft funding distribution, and the request for public comment was initially approved by the Hays County Commissioners Court on November 15, 2016 (see Appendix E) and subsequently posted to the Hays County website the following day (see Appendix A). Numerous newspaper articles covering MOD development by Hays County, contacts with local organizations and individuals, as well as by official public notice published in the San Marcos Record newspaper on November 22, 2016 followed (see Appendix B).

Hays County staff met with Thomas Monahan, Executive Director of the Blanco River Regional Recovery Team (BR3T) on November 21, 2016 to solicit input on needs identified by this organization. The BR3T was formed after the May 2015 flood and is the designated Long Term Recovery Organization for Blanco, Hays, Caldwell and Guadalupe Counties and will remain as a permanent organization to also assist in future disasters, with a mission “To strengthen area-wide disaster coordination in Blanco, Caldwell, Hays and Guadalupe counties by sharing information, simplifying resident access, and jointly resolving cases with unmet needs” (see <http://www.br3t.org/>). A need was expressed for construction materials to assist local homeowners with repairs and a commitment made for the County and BR3T to work closely together to identify potential projects for CDBG-DR funding. BR3T also provided written comment that can be found later in this section.

At the required public hearing held during a regular session of the Hays County Commissioners Court on December 6, 2016, two people representing local governments spoke regarding the draft proposed Method of Distribution (MOD). The first was Don Ferguson, City Administrator for Wimberley, who mentioned that the Method of Distribution formula was okay with them but that Wimberley had no projects planned under the non-housing allocation and wanted to turn the money back to the County for other projects. Further, he offered to turn back a portion of the housing funding allocated to Wimberley while retaining approximately \$518,000 of this funding for a proposed match to other grants sought. The second speaker was Chance Sparks, Interim Assistant City Manager for Buda, who approved of the MOD strategy for the housing portion of the funding but suggested another formula for the non-housing funds involving changes to the weighting of the two proposed factors of damages incurred and number of low to moderate income persons in the jurisdiction and the introduction of a third factor – total population of the jurisdiction – into the formula. Both of these speaker's comments were echoed by written comments submitted and included in this section, with those from Wimberley prepared by Don Ferguson and those from Buda authored by Kenneth Williams, City Manager.

The request from Wimberley was factored into the final MOD with non-housing funds being redistributed to other eligible jurisdictions and a portion of the housing funds reallocated to Hays County who may serve as a sponsor for local government projects. The comments from Buda regarding the modification of the proposed formula for distribution were considered and tested but it was felt that the factors already applied addressed funding proportional to the damages incurred by the jurisdictions considered eligible for funding and that the benefits required for the low to moderate income persons were already factored into the formula as well as addressed by program requirements that 70% of the funding allocated to each jurisdiction must be applied to benefit the LMI population. A more detailed response to this item can be found in this section and as an attachment to the Hays County Commissioners Court meeting backup information for December 20, 2016, found in Appendix E.

Six written comments were received by the close of the public comment period, including two previously described above. In addition to Wimberley, the City of Dripping Springs also returned proposed funding to the County as they could not meet the requirement for LMI consideration, and these funds were subsequently reallocated to other eligible jurisdictions. The City of Kyle approved of the proposed MOD and asked for additional funds should these become available. Texas Appleseed generally approved of the proposed MOD and made suggestions for more inclusive involvement of disadvantaged populations in the needs/impact assessment process. Hays County responds that a more comprehensive needs assessment will be the focus of the Texas General Land Office during the project selection process and therefore is not necessarily required in the MOD proposal beyond the factors already included in the MOD. A more detailed response to this item can be found in this section and as an attachment to the Hays County Commissioners Court meeting backup information for December 20, 2016, found in Appendix E.



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December 5, 2016

Jeff Hauff, Grants Coordinator
Hays Government Center, Suite 1204
712 S. Stagecoach Trail
San Marcos, Texas 78666

RE: Hays County CDBG-DR Method of Distribution Comments

Mr. Hauff:

Please accept this letter as the official comment from the City of Buda pertaining to the CDBG-DR allocation method of distribution. The City of Buda thanks Hays County for their efforts in what we know is a difficult situation given the insufficient overall funding provided to Hays County.

Housing

In reviewing the housing method of distribution, the City of Buda understands the constraints placed by an underfunded state allocation to Hays County and the minimum allocation of \$500,000 prescribed by the General Land Office. The City of Buda's understanding is that it will still be able to access funding through Hays County for potential housing programs and buyouts. In particular, the City is interested in funding:

- Buyout, relocation or elevation of homes on Claudia Drive
- Buyout of the Onion Creek Village Senior Apartments on Bluff Street
 - *Note: This facility has income-restrictions, has higher numbers of individuals with disabilities, and has been subject of multiple evacuation orders*

Non-Housing

In reviewing the non-housing method of distribution, the City has concerns that it does not properly weight distribution factors and the factors do not provide sufficient long-term recovery perspective and risks undermining requirements to affirmatively further fair housing. This is due to the comparatively low weight of the low-moderate income population (30 percent) and the lack of a factor to address failure-to-function in addition to direct damage. The City of Buda believes failure-to-function is a critical component, as it addresses underlying causes of damage in a long-term manner that can prevent damage & create resiliency in the future. To that end, the City of Buda has prepared a substitute Non-Housing Method of Distribution attached with this comment and further described below.

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The City of Buda respectfully requests that a third factor, US Census Population (2015 Estimate), be utilized in the MOD. The reasons for inclusion are:

- Higher population is more likely to result in "Low-Moderate Income Pockets" that contain areas likely to succeed in meeting the low-moderate income national objective with a beneficiary survey
- Higher population creates an environment that should tend to result in higher return on investment for projects
- Higher population areas have a greater amount of qualifying infrastructure categories, which is important since FEMA PA data is more applicable to direct damage and does not address the second "failure-to-function" qualifying factor; failure-to-function is important as it leads to long-term resiliency rather than simply repairing what existed previously
- Higher population areas are more likely to have circumstances in which non-housing projects qualify as "in support of LMI housing"

Furthermore, the City of Buda requests weighting as follows under the alternate method of distribution for non-housing, with the addition of the third factor:

- LMI – 50 percent weight
- FEMA PA – 30 percent weight
- Population – 20 percent weight (as a means to link to failure to function)

This results in no entity having an allocation above the FEMA PA amount, as Buda understands this was a concern for the Commissioners Court. Also, having a 50 percent weight on low-moderate income vs. damage/failure-to-function is an elegant way to acknowledge the two critical qualifying national objectives (low-moderate income & elimination of slum/blight and urgent need) in equal value and in a manner more consistent with obligations to affirmatively further fair housing. It also weights distribution in such a way that projects have potentially multiple qualification routes that, therefore, avoid remitting any funds back to the state CDBG-DR pool due to failures to meet national objectives.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on this method of distribution. Should you have further questions, please contact me or Chance Sparks, Interim Assistant City Manager, at 512-312-0084.

Sincerely,



Kenneth Williams, MPA
City Manager



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December 6, 2016

Ms. Kharley Smith
Hays County
712 S. Stagecoach Trail
San Marcos, TX 78666

RE: CDBG Disaster Recovery Funding
Windy Hill at Richmond Branch Drainage Improvement Project
And Bebee Road at Bunton Branch Tributary Drainage Improvement
Project Submittals

Dear Ms. Smith:

We are requesting the two projects referenced above be considered for the CDBG Disaster Recovery Funding program. The City is requesting \$1,662,000.00 for the Windy Hill drainage improvements and \$946,100.00 for the Bebee Road improvements. We believe both projects meet the criteria of the program per the information previously provided by Hays County. Windy Hill improvements benefitting approximately 56% of the low to moderate population in our area and Bebee benefitting more than 51% of this population.

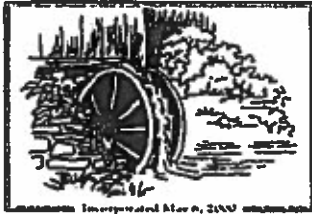
We are pleased with the possible draft allocation of \$1,182,376, however if for some reason, one of our neighboring communities is not able to satisfy the requirements of the program, we request our projects be considered for additional funding.

Please proceed with your recommendations to the General Land Office, and thank you for working with us to enhance our community.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Scott Sellers".

Scott Sellers
City Manager
City of Kyle
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City of Wimberley

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Council Members - Bob Dussler, Craig Fore, Sally Trapp, Gary Barchfield
Don Ferguson, City Administrator

December 7, 2016

Jeff Hauff
Grants Administrator
County of Hays
Hays Government Center, Suite 1204
712 S. Stagecoach Trail
San Marcos, Texas 78666

Dear Jeff:

I am writing this letter to provide comment on behalf of the City of Wimberley ("City") regarding the proposed *2015 Floods CDBG-Disaster Recovery Fund Allocation Plan* ("Plan") for Hays County.

On December 1, 2016, the Wimberley City Council met and reviewed the Plan proposed for the allocation of the \$7,405,319 in Community Development Block Grant ("CDBG") Disaster Recovery Funds recently awarded to help meet housing and infrastructure needs resulting from the May and October floods in 2015 in Hays County.

After reviewing the Plan, the City has no issue with the methodology used to develop the Plan or the low to moderate income parameters established for projects to be funded under the Plan. It is apparent those areas of Hays County most severely damaged by flooding and those persons least likely to have the resources to provide long-term repairs and resiliency were taken into account in the development of the Plan.


Under the Plan, if approved, the City of Wimberley would receive \$199,136.12 for non-housing related projects and \$866,188.47 for housing-related projects.

While the City appreciates the proposed allocation provided for non-housing related projects in Wimberley, the City does not have any non-housing related projects that would meet the established funding criteria. That said, the City would encourage the Hays County Commissioners Court to consider reallocating the non-housing related project funding earmarked for Wimberley to projects in other areas of Hays County that meet the established funding criteria.

As for the proposed housing-related project funding allocation, the City has identified a need for \$518,476 or approximately 60 percent of the funding allocated for housing-related projects in Wimberley. This funding would be used to help match flood mitigation grants awarded to the City for property buy out or elevation, provided the property to be acquired or elevated meets the low to moderate income requirements. The City would encourage the Hays County Commissioners Court consider reallocating the remaining \$347,712 of housing-related project funding earmarked for Wimberley to projects in other areas of Hays County that meet the established funding criteria.

Thank you again for providing the City with the opportunity to offer input on the Plan. Please feel free to contact me in the event you have any questions or need additional information from the City.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Don Ferguson", written over a horizontal line.

Don Ferguson
City Administrator



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December 7, 2016

Jeff Hauff
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Via Email: jeff.hauff@co.hays.tx.us

Re: Public Comment on Hays County Method of Distribution for 2015 Floods Community Development Block Grant-Disaster Recovery Allocation

To Whom It May Concern:

Hays County has determined that it will use a Method of Distribution for the 2015 Floods Community Development Block Grant-Disaster Recovery Allocation that includes the requirement that the project benefit a group that is made up of 70% low-to-moderate income persons. The City of Dripping Springs' proposed project does not meet that criterion. Furthermore, there is no reasonable possibility that additional research would change the results included in the submitted project. Therefore, the Dripping Springs Ranch Park Dam Repair proposal is withdrawn.

We request that the allocation of \$288,898.43 for Dripping Springs, as presented in the draft Hays County Method of Distribution for 2015 Floods Community Development Block Grant-Disaster Recovery Allocation, be returned to Hays County and utilized for other eligible projects, as Dripping Springs will not be utilizing the funding.

Please contact me if there are any questions about this matter.

Sincerely,

Michelle Fischer
City Administrator



December 7, 2016

The Honorable Bert Cobb, M.D, County Judge
Hays County
111 E. San Antonio Street, Ste. 300
San Marcos, Texas 78666
VIA EMAIL Bert.Cobb@co.hays.texas.us

RE: Hays County Method of Distribution for 2015 Floods CDBG-Disaster Recovery Allocation

Dear Judge Cobb:

Thank you for the opportunity to provide comments on the Draft Hays County Method of Distribution (MOD) for 2015 Floods CDBG- DR Allocation. We applaud the County's commitment to resilience, and to prioritizing intersections between severe flood damage and those with the fewest resources to recover in order to further that goal.

Texas Appleseed, with the Texas Low-Income Housing Information Service (TxLIHIS), has worked for over 10 years to ensure that all Texans have an equal opportunity to access disaster recovery programs. One of the legacies of segregation is that historically underserved populations—the poor, people of color, persons with disabilities—often live in areas most vulnerable to flooding and the other impacts of both natural and man-made disasters. They are also disproportionately negatively impacted by disasters, have a harder time recovering, and have historically been underserved by both short and long-term disaster recovery programs.¹

We also appreciate that Hays County's Citizen Participation Plan and outreach efforts went beyond simply posting notices and holding public hearings, using social media and specific outreach to organizations serving the Latino community. The County might consider reaching out to organizations that represent people of color, persons with disabilities, and other potentially

¹ See, e.g., Thomas Gabe, Gene Falk, Maggie McCarty, and Virginia Mason, *Hurricane Katrina Social-Demographic Characteristics of Impacted Areas*, Congressional Research Service Report to Congress (November 5, 2005); Alice Fothergill and Lori Peek, *Poverty and Disasters in the United States: A Review of Recent Sociological Findings*, *Natural Hazards* 32: 89-110, 2004; and, Shannon Van Zandt, Walter Gillis Peacock, Wesley E. Highland, and Samuel D. Brody, "Mapping social vulnerability to enhance housing and neighborhood resilience", *Housing Policy Debate* 22(1):29-55 (January 2012).

more difficult to reach affected populations in both the continuing process for these CDBG-DR funds and for future outreach.

The Hays County MOD incorporates and provides clear guidance to potential subrecipients on the inclusion of fair housing and civil rights requirements in project selection at a level we have not seen in other MODs or Action Plans. This type of guidance is critical.

In order to carry out the type of analysis required and complete a Needs Assessment, we recommend that the County consult the recent guidance issued by the United States Departments of Justice (DOJ), Homeland Security (DHS), Housing and Urban Development (HUD), Health and Human Services (HHS), and Transportation (DOT) on Title VI of the Civil Rights Act for federally assisted recipients engaged in disaster preparedness, response, mitigation, and recovery (DOJ Guidance).² While we recognize that this guidance is extremely new and that the State and local jurisdictions were engaged in the Needs Assessment and Action Plan process before it was issued, Section E provides additional guidance on collecting and analyzing data in order to ensure Title VI compliance and equitable recovery that will be helpful to Hays County in producing the complete impact and needs assessment and consideration of the civil rights implications of its planning decisions set out in its MOD.

Inherent in the reporting and civil rights requirements of the CDBG-DR program, and made explicit by DOJ's new guidance, is that the required impact and needs assessment must include, "information about the race, color, national origin, languages spoken by LEP populations, and other demographic information of communities served by a federally assisted program, activity, or service" and "identify, obtain, review, and share aggregate race, color, and national origin data concerning the extent and geographic distribution of damage caused by disasters and emergencies before formulating recovery and mitigation plans."³ The Hays County Needs Assessment process may well have included the collection and analysis of this information, but that Needs Assessment is not included in the MOD. We look forward to seeing it.

We appreciate Hays County's commitment to effective disaster recovery planning that focuses on resilience, is part of a larger planning process, and incorporates civil rights considerations in a way that will ensure all its residents affected by the 2015 floods have fair chance to recover and strengthen all the County's communities.

Sincerely,

Madison Sloan, Director
Disaster Recovery and Fair Housing Project

² Guidance to State and Local Governments and Other Federally Assisted Recipients Engaged in Emergency Preparedness, Response, Mitigation, and Recovery Activities on Compliance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964. Available: <https://www.justice.gov/crt/file/885401/download>

³ "Data can include the geographic distribution of individuals by race, color, and national origin (including Limited English Proficiency); the reliance of particular communities on public transit; the proximity of different groups to emergency or disaster danger zones; and the geographic distribution of damage, taking into account various degrees of severity." (DOJ Guidance at 14-15)

Jeff Hauff

From: Thomas Monahan <tmonahan@br3t.org>
Sent: Tuesday, December 06, 2016 2:08 PM
To: Jeff Hauff
Subject: Public Comment on Hays County CDBG funds

Mr. Hauff,

I'm very pleased that the county will be receiving CDBG funds to assist with the recovery from the devastating flooding last year. The Blanco River Regional Recovery Team (BR3T) is ready to use those funds to help flood victims rebuild, repair and recover.

While I know you don't have control of the LMI totals that dictate who can benefit from these funds, however if we were allowed to raise those limits just a few thousand dollars, it would enable us to help more flood victims in our area.

Peace with love,
Thomas Monahan
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Response to comments on CDBG-DR Method of Distribution – December 20, 2016 – Item #23

Response to Texas Appleseed concerns regarding Needs Assessment:

All project applications will undergo review by GLO for fair housing consideration. Included in current MOD: “All subgrantees and/or subrecipients will certify that they will affirmatively further fair housing (“AFFH”) in their grant agreements, and will receive GLO training and technical assistance in meeting their AFFH obligations. Additionally, all project applications will undergo AFFH review by GLO before approval. Such review will include assessment of a proposed project’s area demography, socioeconomic characteristics, housing configuration and needs, educational, transportation, and health care opportunities, environmental hazards or concerns, and all other factors material to the AFFH determination. Applications should show that projects are likely to lessen area racial, ethnic, and low-income concentrations, and/or promote affordable housing in low-poverty, nonminority areas in response to natural hazard-related impacts.”

Response to Buda comments:

There are a number of formulas/variables that could be developed to address allocation of funding among the various entities. The formula chosen reflects an assessment of both damages incurred within the jurisdictions and a factor to account for Low to Moderate Income populations. The count of LMI persons (reflective of population to some extent) was utilized rather than percentage of LMI. This is already representative of a “population” of LMI individuals within a jurisdiction. Factoring in total population for each jurisdiction would tend to skew funding results in favor of larger jurisdictions and not take into account the significant needs of smaller jurisdictions that may not have the tax base to otherwise support needed and necessary projects. This was demonstrated when the formula proposed by Buda was applied to the various jurisdictions and inequities were noted. In addition, the required 70% LMI expenditure set by HUD/GLO effectively ensures that the funding will be appropriately directed to address LMI needs. The “Fair Housing” advocates in their comments did not mention that they felt the Method of Distribution formula proposed to be problematic. Also, as already stated in the draft MOD and in the previous comment, all applications submitted to GLO will need to address demographic and other population and LMI characteristics to affirmatively further fair housing goals.

Similarly, damage costs incurred or assessed at the jurisdictional level would also tend to be representative of impacts to both the local population and the LMI population residing therein. This factor serves as a measure of impact to the community and funding allocated should be considered to be distributed equitably and proportionately based on the level of impact to address fairness. The percentage of funding allocated through the existing MOD formula as related to damages is proportionate to the costs already incurred or projected, whereas the proposed formula tends to skew allocations at the expense of smaller jurisdictions. Public Assistance funding from FEMA has addressed repairs of certain facilities to pre-existing flood conditions as a requirement of this type of assistance, and the CDBG-DR funding will serve to enhance/upgrade facilities and go beyond simply repairing existing damages, hence addressing the failure-to-function aspect.

Also, the reallocation of funding will increase the amount of funding directed to Buda.

Response to Wimberley/Dripping Springs comments:

Reallocation of funds returned to County to the various eligible entities.

Other Comments: Self explanatory

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Appendix E

Commissioners Court Meeting Postings and Actions

**Commissioners Court -November 15, 2016
NOTICE OF A MEETING OF THE
COMMISSIONERS COURT OF HAYS COUNTY, TEXAS**



This Notice is posted pursuant to the Texas Open Meetings Act. (VERNONS TEXAS CODES ANN. GOV. CODE CH.551). The Hays County Commissioners Court will hold a meeting at 9:00 A.M. on the 15th day of November, 2016, in the Hays County Courthouse, Room 301, San Marcos, Texas. An Open Meeting will be held concerning the following subjects:

**CALL TO ORDER
INVOCATION**

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE - Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag & Pledge of Allegiance to the Texas Flag
ROLL CALL**

PRESENTATIONS & PROCLAMATIONS

1	4-15	Presentation discussing the findings related to the technical energy audit performed by Performance Services, Inc. CONLEY/GARZA
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PUBLIC COMMENTS

At this time **3-MINUTE** comments will be taken from the audience on Non-Agenda related topics. To address the Court, please submit a Public Participation/ Witness Form to the County Clerk. Please Complete the Public Participation/ Witness Form in its Entirety.
NO ACTION MAY BE TAKEN BY THE COURT DURING PUBLIC COMMENTS.

CONSENT ITEMS

The following may be acted upon in one motion.
A Commissioner, the County Judge, or a Citizen may request items be pulled for separate discussion and/or action.

2	16	Approve payments of county invoices. VILLARREAL-ALONZO
3	17-22	Approve Commissioners Court Minutes of November 1, 2016. COBB/GONZALEZ
4	23	Authorize Commercial OSSF Permit at 4768 SH 123, San Marcos, Texas. INGALSBE/MCINNIS
5	24	Authorize Commercial OSSF Permit at 850 Darden Hill Road, Driftwood, Texas 78619. WHISENANT/MCINNIS
6	25-31	Approve Utility Permits. COBB/BORCHERDING
7	32	Authorize the Sheriff's Office to accept two donations totaling \$1,500.00 to the Victim Services Program and Jr. Deputy Academy and amend the budget accordingly. COBB/CUTLER
8	33-38	Authorize the County Judge to execute an amended software license agreement with Tyler Technologies to implement a Citizens Transparency Portal. COBB/VILLARREAL-ALONZO
9	39-42	Approve and execute the Sheriff's Office Equitable Sharing and Agreement Certification in accordance with the statutes and guidelines that govern the Federal Equitable Sharing Program. COBB/CUTLER
10	43-63	Authorize the County Judge to submit a revised grant application to the Texas Veterans Commission, Fund for Veterans Assistance for up to \$100,000 in funding for the Hays County Veterans Treatment Court. INGALSBE/HAUFF
11	64-66	Authorize the Development and Community Services Department - Parks Division to purchase interpretive signage, a bronze TPWD plaque, and concrete work for the Jacob's Well Natural Area utilizing existing grant funding from Texas Parks and Wildlife Department and Park Bond Funds and amend the budget accordingly. CONLEY/GARZA
12	67-69	Authorize the Sheriff's Office and Jail Division to add janitorial services with Spotless Cleaning to the County Wide existing janitorial contract and amend the budget accordingly. COBB/CUTLER
13	70-72	Amend a resolution related to the federal Off-System Bridge program, to be administered by TXDOT within Hays County. WHISENANT
14	73	Authorize Purchasing to reject all bids and Re-Advertise IFB#2017-B01, and authorize Purchasing to work with Staff to implement revisions to the original IFB, as needed to yield acceptable bids. COBB
15	74-89	Authorize the County Judge to sign an updated Advanced Funding Agreement (AFA) with the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) regarding administrative changes to the original AFA passed on August, 2, 2016 for the improvement of the intersection of SH 80 at CR 266. INGALSBE/BORCHERDING
16	90	Accept an additional one time disbursement from the Texas Juvenile Justice Department, Amendment Number Twelve for Regionalization Diversion Program supplies and amend the budget accordingly. COBB/WILLIAMS
17	91-93	Approval to award RFP 2016-P12 Restoration of Buck Winn Murals to Hartmann Fine Art Conservation Services and negotiate contract. COBB/MAIORKA/JOHNSON

ACTION ITEMS**ROADS**

18	94-96	Discussion and possible action to authorize the County Judge to execute a Supplemental Agreement No. 1 to the Professional Service Agreement with LJA Engineering for the FM 110 North project in Hays County increasing the Compensation Cap from \$2,133,062.00 to \$2,320,000.00. INGALSBE
19	97-99	Discussion and possible action to authorize the County Judge to execute a Supplemental Agreement No. 5 to the Professional Services Agreement (PSA) with Reynolds, Smith & Hills CS, Inc. (RS&H) for the FM 1626 North construction management project as part of the Pass-Through Finance Program in Hays County, increasing the Compensation Cap by \$40,000 from \$2,560,000 to \$2,600,000. JONES
20	100-103	Discussion and possible action to consider the acceptance of road construction and drainage improvements, and release of the cash bond for \$665,769.31 for The Preserve at La Ventana subdivision, Phase 3. CONLEY/BORCHERDING
21	104-108	Discussion and possible action to accept Bond No. 106314519 for street and drainage improvements for North Belterra Commercial in the amount of \$746,544.20. WHISENANT/HAIRELL
22	109-134	Discussion and possible action to authorize the County Judge to sign a PSA with Dan Rogers Design Service for the design of intersection improvements on U.S. 290 at Trautwein Road and Holder Lane. WHISENANT/BORCHERDING

MISCELLANEOUS

23	135-139	Discussion and possible action for acceptance of bid on property held in trust. COBB/CARAWAY
24	140-142	Discussion and possible action regarding the acceptance of a grant award from the Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Program, Office of Governor, Criminal Justice Division for a Juvenile Caseworker for the Justice of the Peace Courts in the amount of \$46,209.00. INGALSBE/HAUFF
25	143-151	Discussion and possible action to approve the proposed draft of the Method of Distribution (MOD) associated with federal HUD Community Development Block Grant-Disaster Recovery funding administered by the Texas General Land Office and set a public hearing date for the proposed MOD. COBB/SMITH/HAUFF
26	152-153	Discussion and possible action to approve a resolution Pertaining to The Financing of an Energy Efficiency Project, related to the technical energy audit performed by Performance Service Inc. CONLEY/GARZA
27	154-182	Discussion and possible action to authorize the County Judge to execute an interlocal agreement with the Guadalupe Blanco River Authority to participate in the flood mitigation strategies phase of the Lower Guadalupe Flood Feasibility and Flood Protection Study in the Guadalupe-Blanco River Basin; amend the budget accordingly. CONLEY/INGALSBE/GARZA/MCINNIS
28	183	Discussion and possible action to authorize the County Judge to execute a services agreement between Hays County and the San Marcos/Hays County Emergency Medical Services (EMS) related to the provision of EMS services in certain unincorporated areas of Hays County and amend the budget accordingly. COBB

EXECUTIVE SESSIONS

The Commissioners Court will announce it will go into Executive Session, if necessary, pursuant to Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code, to receive advice from Legal Counsel to discuss matters of land acquisition, litigation, and personnel matters as specifically listed on this agenda. The Commissioners Court may also announce it will go into Executive Session, if necessary, to receive advice from Legal Counsel regarding any other item on this agenda.

29	184	Executive Session pursuant to Sections 551.071 and 551.072 of the Texas Government Code: consultation with counsel and deliberation regarding the purchase, exchange or value of Right of Way along proposed FM110 in Pct. 1. Possible action to follow in open court. INGALSBE
30	185	Executive Session pursuant to Sections 551.071 and 551.074 of the Texas Government Code: consultation with counsel and deliberation regarding the performance and duties of the Veterans Service Officer, Emergency Management Coordinator, IT Director, Human Resources Director, Transportation Director, General Counsel, Elections Administrator, Development and Community Services Director, Grants Administrator, Chief Juvenile Probation Officer and Juvenile Facility Administrator. COBB
31	186	Executive Session pursuant to Sections 551.071 and 551.072 of the Texas Government Code: consultation with counsel and deliberation regarding the purchase, exchange, lease or value of real property owned by Hays County. Possible action to follow in open court. COBB
32	187	Executive Session pursuant to Sections 551.071 and 551.072 of the Texas Government Code: consultation with counsel and deliberation regarding the purchase, exchange, or value of real property related the Hays County Regional Habitat Conservation Plan. Possible action to follow in Open Court. COBB

AGENDA ITEM REQUEST FORM

Hays County Commissioners Court
Tuesdays at 9:00 AM

Request forms are due in Microsoft Word Format via email by 2:00 p.m. on Wednesday.

AGENDA ITEM

Discussion and possible action to approve the proposed draft of the Method of Distribution (MOD) associated with federal HUD Community Development Block Grant-Disaster Recovery funding administered by the Texas General Land Office and set a public hearing date for the proposed MOD.

ITEM TYPE	MEETING DATE	AMOUNT REQUIRED
ACTION-MISCELLANEOUS	November 15, 2016	N/A

LINE ITEM NUMBER

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AUDITOR USE ONLY

AUDITOR COMMENTS:

PURCHASING GUIDELINES FOLLOWED: N/A **AUDITOR REVIEW:** N/A

REQUESTED BY	SPONSOR	CO-SPONSOR
Smith/Hauff	COBB	N/A

SUMMARY

The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), through Congressional appropriation, issued Community Development Block Grant - Disaster Recovery funding to Texas for Disaster Events DR-4223 and DR4245 occurring in 2015. The Texas General Land Office (GLO) has been designated by the State as the agency to administer the funding to counties included in the disaster declarations. The GLO has charged the "most impacted" counties (Harris, Hays, Hidalgo and Travis) to develop a Method of Distribution (MOD) for funding distribution to eligible cities within - and including - the County based on objective scoring criteria. As the City of San Marcos received a direct Congressional allocation, it is not included in the Hays County MOD.

The GLO derived a formula of allocation based on overall statewide unmet needs based on FEMA and other assessments, which resulted in a 32%/68% ratio or split between the Housing and Non-Housing categories of distribution, respectively. Of the \$7,405,319 in funding allocated to Hays County, \$2,369,702 (32%) must be spent on Housing needs and \$5,035,617 will be allowed for Non-Housing or Infrastructure needs. Further, at least 70% of the funding (\$5,183,723.30) must be distributed to Low to Moderate Income (LMI) households or on projects whose service areas contain at least 70% LMI individuals/households.

The factors and weighting system selected for the Hays County MOD build on the allocation formulas already employed by HUD and within the GLO State Action Plan by taking damages incurred from the disasters as the primary factor when considering allocation of funding to the various County entities. This is based on Total Projected Project amounts in dollars as determined by FEMA in calculations for Public Assistance (PA) to governmental entities for Non-Housing allocations and, in the case of Housing, to select the FEMA Verified Loss (FVL) amount as the primary basis for allocation. Also, a factor is included to address the requirement that at least 70% of the funding goes to benefit LMI individuals and groups and is applied to both Housing and Non-Housing allocations. As a public hearing must be held to consider comments on the draft MOD, a date of November 29, 2016 is proposed to hold a public hearing in conjunction with a regularly scheduled meeting of the Commissioners Court. Upon approval of the Hays County MOD by the GLO, applications for funding will be accepted and reviewed by the GLO from the various entities that have been allocated funding through the MOD.



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County Method of Distribution for 2015 Floods CDBG-Disaster Recovery Allocation

Summary Information

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Allocation Summary

County Allocation for All Activities: **\$7,405,319**

Housing Activities Total: **\$2,369,702**

Non-Housing Activities Total: **\$5,035,617**

Citizen Participation

Below is a description addressing how the County complied with the Citizen Participation Plan regarding citizen and non-governmental organization outreach, and any efforts exceeding GLO minimum public participation requirements:

Residents were requested to submit their views, suggestions and comments regarding infrastructure and housing needs resulting from the disasters in Hays County through the County website, public notices, press releases, use of the Hays County presence on Facebook and Twitter, and through comments at the scheduled public hearing. Citizens were encouraged to submit comments in writing to Hays County via written letter and email or comment cards distributed at meetings. Notices were posted at Hays County Government offices in San Marcos as well as precinct offices throughout the County. Accommodations were provided to non-English speaking residents through preparation of notices in Spanish - the predominant non-English language in the County - and were distributed to the above County offices and organizations that serve the Hispanic community. The County conducted a Webinar on October 6, 2016 to solicit input from potentially eligible recipient jurisdictions on possible projects that would also address requirements of the CDBG-DR program, and both webinar slides and project worksheets were sent to the respective jurisdictions for review and completion before return to the County. Four communities provided input through project sheets on potential projects by the October 21, 2016 deadline. An initial presentation was given at a regular meeting of the Hays County Commissioners Court on Tuesday, November 15, 2016 for adoption of the draft proposed Method of Distribution, which was posted on the Hays County Commissioners Court Agenda available for public viewing on Thursday, November 10, 2016. The proposed draft Method of Distribution was made available after approval by the Commissioners Court on the Hays County website and a public hearing will be scheduled in conjunction with a regular Commissioners Court meeting to receive further public comment on November 29, 2016.

First Public Hearing Information

Date/Time: Nov. 29, 2016 – 9:00am Location: Hays Co. Courthouse, 111 E. San Antonio St., Rm. 301, San Marcos, TX 78666

Attendance: TBD

Personal Notice. As required, personal notice was sent to eligible entities at least five days in advance of the public hearing using the following method(s) (at least one must be selected):

	Method	Date Sent	Documentation
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Electronic Mail		
<input type="checkbox"/>	Fax		
<input type="checkbox"/>	Hand Delivery		
<input type="checkbox"/>	Certified Mail		

Internet Notice. As required, public notice was distributed on the Internet at least five days in advance using the following method:

	Method	Date Published	Documentation
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	County Website		

Published Notice. As required, notice of the public hearing was published in at least one regional newspaper at least three days in advance. Notice of public hearing was published in the following regional newspaper(s):

	Newspaper Name	Date Published	Documentation
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			

Citizen Comment Documentation

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	The required copy of a sign-in sheet from the public hearing is attached.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	A summary of the citizen comments and meeting discussion is attached.
Describe any efforts to notify and accommodate those with modified communication needs, such as posting information and providing interpretive services for other languages.	

Long-Term Planning and Recovery

Below is an explanation of how the region’s method of distribution fosters long-term community recovery that is forward-looking and focused on permanent restoration of infrastructure, housing and the local economy.

In 2015, Hays County was impacted by two extreme weather events that caused extensive flooding, property damage, and loss of life. The first of the disasters was experienced on May 23 – 24 and is known as the Memorial Weekend Flood, which caused catastrophic flooding along the Blanco River in southern Hays County and 12 confirmed deaths attributed to the event. Hays County was subsequently included in a Presidentially-declared disaster DR-4223. The second event occurred on October 30-31, 2016, is known as the All Saints Flood, and caused widespread flooding throughout both southern and eastern Hays County. This event was included under Presidential disaster declaration DR-4245.

The factors considered in the proposed Method of Distribution take into account those areas most severely damaged during the two events and also those persons least likely to have the resources to provide long-term repairs and resiliency – those of the low to moderate income group. It is anticipated that funding will provide opportunities for drainage and housing-related projects, as well as harden public infrastructure and increase emergency response potential to provide more resiliency to similar future events.

Hays County and its partner communities, along with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Texas Water Development Board, and both the Lower Colorado River Authority and Guadalupe-Blanco River Authority, has led an effort to conduct comprehensive flood protection planning studies for the entirety of the County, including refining flood plain boundaries, identification of roadway low water crossing hazard frequency, dam breach analyses, and subsequent potential projects to minimize/mitigate flood hazards. The County also leads the effort with its partner communities to develop and maintain the Hays County Hazard Mitigation Plan that identifies potential natural hazards and proposes strategies to minimize/mitigate impacts from these events. Participation in these studies will help to inform decision making for the long term recovery and restoration made possible through the CDBG-DR funding.

Non-Housing Method of Distribution Detail

The County is required to prepare a method of distribution for non-housing activity funds between the eligible entities. The GLO has directed the County to use a direct allocation technique based on objective, verifiable data. The Method of Distribution will identify how it meets benefiting 70% low-to-moderate persons requirement, the entities eligible to serve as grantees and contract with the GLO, supports minimum allocation amounts that help ensure project feasibility, and provides an explanation of the distribution factors selected.

Distribution Factors

The County has selected the following distribution factors:

Distribution Factor*	Weight	Documentation Source	Explanation of Factor Selection and Weighting
Non-Housing FEMA Damage Assessment		GLO Reports DR-4223 & DR-4245 of FEMA PA Projected Project Amounts updated 9/15/2016	Total projected amounts of FEMA public assistance (PA) to local jurisdictions. The amounts are an indicator of damages sustained in each jurisdiction for non-housing needs and the factor is weighted heavily because it reflects areas most impacted by the disasters.
Number of Low to Moderate Income Individuals		FY2016 LMISD Data, 2006-2010 American Community Survey (Hays County data) found on HUDexchange website at: https://www.hudexchange.info/management-program/acs-low-mod-summary-data	The number of low to moderate income individuals within each jurisdiction as defined by the U.S. Department of Housing & Urban Development. The factor was included as it is a requirement that

		block-groups-places/ & https://www.hudexchange.info/management-program/acs-low-mod-summary-data-local-government/	the majority of the CDBG-DR funding be provided to those within this group who would benefit. The factor is weighted less heavily than that above as it not directly tied to flood-impacted areas but rather reflects a subset of population characteristics for individual jurisdictions.
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*Add more rows if needed

All allocations must meet or exceed a floor of \$100,000 to help ensure sufficient funds for at least one eligible project.

Eligible Activities

Grantee activities must be specifically related to 2015 disaster(s), and must meet the following criteria:

- Activity must be a CDBG-eligible project;
- Activity must be in response to a 2015 disaster(s)related impact in one of the following ways:
 - Direct verifiable damage from the disaster(s) that requires improvement of conditions, or
 - The facilities must have failed to function in the normal capacity as a result of the disaster(s).

The County has addressed prioritization of eligible activities as follows:

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	The County has chosen not to limit Grantees in the region to projects meeting regional priority activities.	
	The County recommends that projects be prioritized to emphasize benefits to low to moderate income areas rather than urgent need in order to accommodate the 70% LMI requirements of the program. All subgrantees and/or subrecipients will certify that they will affirmatively further fair housing ("AFFH") in their grant agreements, and will receive GLO training and technical assistance in meeting their AFFH obligations. Additionally, all project applications will undergo AFFH review by GLO before approval. Such review will include assessment of a proposed project's area demography, socioeconomic characteristics, housing configuration and needs, educational, transportation, and health care opportunities, environmental hazards or concerns, and all other factors material to the AFFH determination. Applications should show that projects are likely to lessen area racial, ethnic, and low-income concentrations, and/or promote affordable housing in low-poverty, nonminority areas in response to natural hazard-related impacts.	
-OR-		
<input type="checkbox"/>	The County has limited Grantees in the region to selecting projects meeting the following regional priority activities:	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Water Facilities	<input type="checkbox"/> Specially Authorized Public Facilities & Improvements
<input type="checkbox"/>	Sewer Facilities	<input type="checkbox"/> Public Services
<input type="checkbox"/>	Other Public Utilities (gas, et al)	<input type="checkbox"/> Clearance & Demolition Activities
<input type="checkbox"/>	Street Improvements	<input type="checkbox"/> Code Enforcement
<input type="checkbox"/>	Flood and Drainage Improvements	<input type="checkbox"/> Specially Authorized Assistance to Private Utilities
<input type="checkbox"/>	Debris Removal	<input type="checkbox"/> Economic Development
<input type="checkbox"/>	Community Centers & Emergency Shelters (Existing)	<input type="checkbox"/> Planning and Urban Environmental Design
<input type="checkbox"/>	Senior Centers	<input type="checkbox"/> Fire Protection Facilities and Equipment
<input type="checkbox"/>	Parks, Playgrounds and other Recreational Facilities	

Housing Method of Distribution Detail

The County is required to prepare a method of distribution for housing activity funds between the eligible entities. The GLO has directed the County to use a direct allocation technique based on objective, verifiable data, including Needs

Assessment data provided by the GLO. The Method of Distribution will identify how it meets benefiting 70% low-to-moderate persons requirement, the entities eligible to serve as grantees and contract with the GLO, supports minimum allocation amounts that help ensure project feasibility, and provides an explanation of the distribution factors selected.

Distribution Factors

The County has selected the following distribution factors:

Distribution Factor*	Weight	Documentation Source	Explanation of Factor Selection and Weighting
FEMA Verified Loss	70	GLO FEMA FIDA_24549_4224_4225_Unmet_Needs_Hays_County-IHP Unmet Needs as of 10/6/16	Total value of FEMA Verified Loss aggregated by jurisdiction through ArcGIS. Viewed to be representative of housing needs and weighted heavily to reflect damages incurred by jurisdiction.
Number of Low to Moderate Income (LMI) Individuals in Jurisdiction	30	FY2016 LMISD Data, 2006-2010 American Community Survey (Hays County data) found on HUDexchange website at: https://www.hudexchange.info/manage-a-program/acs-low-mod-summary-data-block-groups-places/ & https://www.hudexchange.info/manage-a-program/acs-low-mod-summary-data-local-government/	The LMI factor was included as it is a requirement that the majority of the CDBG-DR funding be provided to those within this group who would benefit. The factor is weighted less heavily than that above as it not directly tied to flood-impacted areas but rather reflects a subset of population characteristics for individual jurisdictions.

*Add more rows if needed

All allocations must meet or exceed a floor of \$500,000 to help ensure sufficient funds for at least one feasible housing program.

Eligible Activities

Grantee activities must be specifically related to 2015 disaster(s), and must meet the following criteria:

- Activity must be a CDBG-eligible project;
- Activity must be in response to a 2015 disaster(s) related impact in one of the following ways:
 - Direct verifiable damage from the disaster(s) that requires improvement of conditions, or
 - The housing replaces units lost or damaged by the disaster(s).

The County has addressed prioritization of eligible activities as follows:

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	The County has chosen not to limit Grantees in the county to projects meeting regional priority activities.
	The County recommends that projects under the Housing category target low to moderate income households exclusively. Per GLO requirements, all allocations must meet or exceed a floor of \$500,000 to help ensure sufficient funds for at least one feasible housing program. The calculated allocations for those jurisdictions who did not meet the required program minimum will be rolled into the available County amount and the County may serve as the applicant for projects. All subgrantees and/or subrecipients will certify that they will affirmatively further fair housing ("AFFH") in their grant agreements, and will receive GLO training and technical assistance in meeting their AFFH obligations. Additionally, all project applications will undergo AFFH review by GLO before approval. Such review will include assessment of a proposed project's area demography, socioeconomic characteristics, housing configuration and needs, educational, transportation, and health care opportunities, environmental hazards or concerns, and all other factors material to the AFFH

determination. Applications should show that projects are likely to lessen area racial, ethnic, and low-income concentrations, and/or promote affordable housing in low-poverty, nonminority areas in response to natural hazard-related impacts.	
-OR-	
<input type="checkbox"/> The County has limited Grantees in the region to selecting projects meeting the following regional priority activities:	
<input type="checkbox"/> Single-family repair and rehabilitation	<input type="checkbox"/> Multi-family repair and rehabilitation
<input type="checkbox"/> Single-family replacement	<input type="checkbox"/> Multi-family replacement
<input type="checkbox"/> Single-family elevation of homes in flood plains	<input type="checkbox"/> New Multi-family to replace multi-family stock
<input type="checkbox"/> Single family relocation from flood plains or identified environmental hazards	<input type="checkbox"/> Buyouts

Approval and Signatory Authority

A Resolution of the County is attached approving the method of distribution and authorizing its submittal to the Texas General Land Office. I certify that the contents of this document and all related attachments are complete and accurate.

Signature

Date

Bert Cobb, M.D.

Printed Name

Hays County Judge

Title

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Email Address

512-393-2205

Telephone Number

Non-Housing Allocation

City, County or Eligible Entity	First Distribution Factor: Disaster Impact as Reflected by FEMA PA Total Projected Project Amount for DR4223 & DR4245 on 9/15/15										Second Distribution Factor: LMI Population Count										Entity Weighted Factor Total (EWFtot)	Weighted Factor Total (WFTot)	Proportional Weighted Factor (PWF)	Proportional Allocation Formulaic Distribution (NHA)	Meets GLO Threshold of \$500,000?	Final Allocation (Sub Rolled-Up into Hays County)
	Factor Measure					Weighted Factor					Factor Measure					Weighted Factor										
	Maximum Factor Measure: \$3,418,475.00					Maximum Factor Measure: 70					Maximum Factor Measure: 18835					Maximum Factor Measure: 30										
	Factor Measure (FM)	Factor Measure Maximum (FMmax)	Weight (W)	Weighted Factor W(FM/FMmax)	Weighted Factor W(FM/FMmax)	Factor Measure (FM)	Factor Measure Maximum (FMmax)	Weight (W)	Weighted Factor W(FM/FMmax)	Weighted Factor W(FM/FMmax)	Factor Measure (FM)	Factor Measure Maximum (FMmax)	Weight (W)	Weighted Factor W(FM/FMmax)	Weighted Factor W(FM/FMmax)											
Hays County Unincorporated	\$3,418,475.00	3418475.00	70	0	0	18835	18835	30	0.079639	0.079639	18835	18835	30	0.079639	0.079639	175.1275502	175.1275502	0.000454748	\$5,035,617.00	\$2,875,399.67	Yes	\$2,912,333.84				
Bear Creek Village	\$0.00	3418475.00	70	0	0	50	18835	30	2.612158	0.079639	50	18835	30	2.612158	0.079639	175.1275502	175.1275502	0.000454748	\$5,035,617.00	\$2,875,399.67	No	\$0.00				
Buda	\$340,139.00	3418475.00	70	0.09650151	1640	18835	18835	30	1.34043	0.079639	1640	18835	30	1.34043	0.079639	175.1275502	175.1275502	0.000454748	\$5,035,617.00	\$2,875,399.67	No	\$275,382.01				
Dripping Springs	\$426,489.00	3418475.00	70	0.12463012	825	18835	18835	30	1.34043	0.079639	825	18835	30	1.34043	0.079639	175.1275502	175.1275502	0.000454748	\$5,035,617.00	\$2,875,399.67	No	\$288,898.43				
Hays City	\$0.00	3418475.00	70	0	0	70	18835	30	1.111495	0.079639	70	18835	30	1.111495	0.079639	175.1275502	175.1275502	0.000454748	\$5,035,617.00	\$2,875,399.67	No	\$0.00				
Kyle	\$1,451,975.00	3418475.00	70	0.4248044	7150	18835	18835	30	1.34043	0.079639	7150	18835	30	1.34043	0.079639	175.1275502	175.1275502	0.000454748	\$5,035,617.00	\$2,875,399.67	No	\$1,182,376.33				
Mountain City	\$0.00	3418475.00	70	0	0	55	18835	30	0.087603	0.079639	55	18835	30	0.087603	0.079639	175.1275502	175.1275502	0.000454748	\$5,035,617.00	\$2,875,399.67	No	\$0.00				
Riederwald	\$0.00	3418475.00	70	0	0	170	18835	30	0.270772	0.079639	170	18835	30	0.270772	0.079639	175.1275502	175.1275502	0.000454748	\$5,035,617.00	\$2,875,399.67	No	\$0.00				
Uthland	\$252,054.00	3418475.00	70	0.0734015	635	18835	18835	30	1.013415	0.079639	635	18835	30	1.013415	0.079639	175.1275502	175.1275502	0.000454748	\$5,035,617.00	\$2,875,399.67	No	\$177,490.27				
Wimberley	\$279,094.00	3418475.00	70	0.0814966	760	18835	18835	30	1.210512	0.079639	760	18835	30	1.210512	0.079639	175.1275502	175.1275502	0.000454748	\$5,035,617.00	\$2,875,399.67	No	\$199,136.12				
Woodcreek	\$6,724.00	3418475.00	70	0.00196871	375	18835	18835	30	0.597292	0.079639	375	18835	30	0.597292	0.079639	175.1275502	175.1275502	0.000454748	\$5,035,617.00	\$2,875,399.67	No	\$0.00				
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Housing Allocation

City, County or Housing Authority	First Distribution Factor: FEMA Verified Loss										Second Distribution Factor: LMI Population										Entity Weighted Factor Total (EWFtot)	Weighted Factor Total (WFTot)	Proportional Weighted Factor (PWF)	Housing Allocation Formulaic Distribution (HA)	Proportional Distribution PWF x HA	Meets GLO Threshold of \$500,000?	Final Allocation (Sub Rolled-Up into Hays County)
	Factor Measure					Weighted Factor					Factor Measure					Weighted Factor											
	Maximum Factor Measure: \$5,248,065.96					Maximum Factor Measure: 70					Maximum Factor Measure: 18835					Maximum Factor Measure: 30											
	Factor Measure (FM)	Factor Measure Maximum (FMmax)	Weight (W)	Weighted Factor W(FM/FMmax)	Weighted Factor W(FM/FMmax)	Factor Measure (FM)	Factor Measure Maximum (FMmax)	Weight (W)	Weighted Factor W(FM/FMmax)	Weighted Factor W(FM/FMmax)	Factor Measure (FM)	Factor Measure Maximum (FMmax)	Weight (W)	Weighted Factor W(FM/FMmax)	Weighted Factor W(FM/FMmax)												
Hays County Unincorporated	\$4,664,366.08	5248065.96	70	0.888688	18,835	18835.00	30	0.079639	0.079639	18,835	18835.00	30	0.079639	0.079639	194.8163709	194.8163709	0.473340441	\$2,369,702.00	\$1,121,675.79	Yes	\$1,503,313.53						
Bear Creek Village	\$0.00	5248065.96	70	0	50	18835.00	30	0.079639	0.079639	50	18835.00	30	0.079639	0.079639	194.8163709	194.8163709	0.00040879	\$2,369,702.00	5968.71	No	\$0.00						
Buda	\$189,191.52	5248065.96	70	0.00358322	1,640	18835.00	30	2.612158	0.079639	1,640	18835.00	30	2.612158	0.079639	194.8163709	194.8163709	0.026361447	\$2,369,702.00	\$62,468.77	No	\$0.00						
Dripping Springs	\$4,837.32	5248065.96	70	0.00009237	825	18835.00	30	1.34043	0.079639	825	18835.00	30	1.34043	0.079639	194.8163709	194.8163709	0.0007076224	\$2,369,702.00	\$16,768.54	No	\$0.00						
Hays City	\$0.00	5248065.96	70	0	70	18835.00	30	1.111495	0.079639	70	18835.00	30	1.111495	0.079639	194.8163709	194.8163709	0.000572306	\$2,369,702.00	\$1,355.19	No	\$0.00						
Kyle	\$813,373.58	5248065.96	70	0.01531388	7,150	18835.00	30	1.34043	0.079639	7,150	18835.00	30	1.34043	0.079639	194.8163709	194.8163709	0.114145184	\$2,369,702.00	\$270,490.07	No	\$0.00						
Mountain City	\$1,170.25	5248065.96	70	0.00002238	55	18835.00	30	0.087603	0.079639	55	18835.00	30	0.087603	0.079639	194.8163709	194.8163709	0.00057087	\$2,369,702.00	\$1,352.79	No	\$0.00						
Miederwald	\$1,554.31	5248065.96	70	0.00002926	170	18835.00	30	0.270772	0.079639	170	18835.00	30	0.270772	0.079639	194.8163709	194.8163709	0.001633234	\$2,369,702.00	\$3,870.28	No	\$0.00						
Uthland	\$15,135.62	5248065.96	70	0.00028264	635	18835.00	30	1.013415	0.079639	635	18835.00	30	1.013415	0.079639	194.8163709	194.8163709	0.006227903	\$2,369,702.00	\$14,758.28	No	\$0.00						
Wimberley	\$5,248,065.96	5248065.96	70	1.00000000	760	18835.00	30	1.210512	0.079639	760	18835.00	30	1.210512	0.079639	194.8163709	194.8163709	0.365526126	\$2,369,702.00	\$866,188.47	Yes	\$866,188.47						
Woodcreek	\$15,647.97	5248065.96	70	0.00029649	375	18835.00	30	0.597292	0.079639	375	18835.00	30	0.597292	0.079639	194.8163709	194.8163709	0.004137274	\$2,369,702.00	\$9,804.11	No	\$0.00						
															1.00			\$2,369,702.00	\$2,369,702.00		\$2,369,702.00						

County: Hays County

Required	Non-Housing Required	\$ 5,035,617 Required	Housing Required	\$ 2,369,702 Required	Total Required	\$ 7,405,319 Required
City, County or Public Housing Authority	Non-Housing	Percentage of County Non-Housing Allocation	Housing	Percentage of County Housing Allocation	Total Allocation	Percentage of Total Regional Allocation
Hays County Unincorporated	\$2,912,334	57.83%	\$ 1,503,514	63.45%	\$4,415,847	59.63%
Bear Creek Village	\$0	0.00%	\$ -	0.00%	\$0	0.00%
Buda	\$275,382	5.47%	\$ -	0.00%	\$275,382	3.72%
Dripping Springs	\$288,898	5.74%	\$ -	0.00%	\$288,898	3.90%
Hays City	\$0	0.00%	\$ -	0.00%	\$0	0.00%
Kyle	\$1,182,376	23.48%	\$ -	0.00%	\$1,182,376	15.97%
Mountain City	\$0	0.00%	\$ -	0.00%	\$0	0.00%
Niederwald	\$0	0.00%	\$ -	0.00%	\$0	0.00%
Upland	\$177,490	3.52%	\$ -	0.00%	\$177,490	2.40%
Wimberley	\$197,136	3.95%	\$866,188	36.55%	\$1,065,325	14.39%
Woodcreek	\$0	0.00%	\$ -	0.00%	\$0	0.00%
	\$5,035,617	100.00%	\$2,369,702	100.00%	\$7,405,319	100.00%
					Low-to-Moderate Income Benefit Requirement	
	Non-Housing Percentage of Total Allocation:	68.00%	32.00%			70%
						\$5,183,723



31996 ACCEPTANCE OF ROAD CONSTRUCTION AND DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS, AND RELEASE OF THE CASH BOND FOR \$665,769.31 FOR THE PRESERVE AT LA VENTANA SUBDIVISION, PHASE 3

Director of Transportation Jerry Borcharding gave staff recommendation. Staff recommends acceptance of construction of roads and drainage improvements within the County ROW, and all regulatory signage as posted. The Transportation Department has inspected and approved the improvements. There is a cash bond of \$665,769.31 recorded at the Treasurer's Office for release back to the contractor. These will be privately maintained roads. A motion was made by Commissioner Conley, seconded by Commissioner Whisenant to accept the of road construction and drainage improvements, and release of the cash bond for \$665,769.31 for The Preserve at La Ventana subdivision, Phase 3. All voting "Aye". MOTION PASSED

31997 ACCEPT BOND NO. 106314519 FOR STREET AND DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS FOR NORTH BELTERRA COMMERCIAL IN THE AMOUNT OF \$746,544.20

County Planner Caitlyn Hairell gave an update. The final plat for the North Belterra Commercial Subdivision has been reviewed under the interlocal cooperation agreement with the City of Dripping Springs and has been approved by County staff. While the plat has been approved administratively, formal acceptance of fiscal surety is required by Commissioners Court action. A motion was made by Commissioner Whisenant, seconded by Commissioner Conley to accept Bond No. 106314519 for street and drainage improvements for North Belterra Commercial in the amount of \$746,544.20. All voting "Aye". MOTION PASSED

31998 AUTHORIZE THE COUNTY JUDGE TO SIGN A PSA WITH DAN ROGERS DESIGN SERVICE FOR THE DESIGN OF INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS ON U.S. 290 AT TRAUTWEIN ROAD AND HOLDER LANE

If approved by the Court, this PSA will Authorize Dan Rogers Design Service to design intersection improvements on US 290 at Holder Lane and Trautwein Roads, to include Dos Lagos and Whirl Away Drive. Specific items to be addressed include a center left turn lane at Holder Lane and Sight Distance issues on Trautwein Road. Please note that this DESIGN effort is NOT part of the 2016 Road Bond program. Funding for design is coming from the Transportation Department's budget. A motion was made by Commissioner Whisenant, seconded by Commissioner Ingalsbe to authorize the County Judge to sign a PSA with Dan Rogers Design Service for the design of Intersection Improvements on U.S. 290 at Trautwein Road and Holder Lane. All voting "Aye". MOTION PASSED

31999 ACCEPTANCE OF BID ON PROPERTY HELD IN TRUST

General Counsel Mark Kennedy spoke. Consider bid of \$2,000.00 for Lot 1, Block 19, Hillside Terrace, held in trust by Hays CISD and Hays County. This property has been off of the tax roll since 1999. See attached documentation regarding the amount of taxes and court costs due on this property. A motion was made by Commissioner Jones, seconded by Commissioner Ingalsbe to accept bid on property held in trust. All voting "Aye". MOTION PASSED

32000 ACCEPTANCE OF A GRANT AWARD FROM THE JUVENILE JUSTICE AND DELINQUENCY PREVENTION PROGRAM, OFFICE OF GOVERNOR, CRIMINAL JUSTICE DIVISION FOR A JUVENILE CASEWORKER FOR THE JUSTICE OF THE PEACE COURTS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$46,209.00

Jeff Hauff spoke. On February 23, 2016 the Commissioners Court approved submission of a grant application to the Office of the Governor, Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Program, Criminal Justice Division, to fund a Caseworker for the Justice of the Peace Courts. The funding source has changed from state funds to federal funds and the declining ratio for funding this year is 80% and will continue to decline each year. Effective September 1, 2015, House Bill 2398 made changes to the truancy laws in Texas that shifted the burden on the school districts to address the truant conduct and to implement truancy prevention measures before referring the student to truant court. Therefore much of the responsibility for juvenile truancy has been shifted from the County to the respective School Districts. The Caseworker position worked with the school districts in being proactive and assisting with preventive measures to keep the students in school. The numbers of cases filed in the Justice of the Peace Courts were much lower than the previous year. Grant term is from September 1, 2016 through August 31, 2017. The award is accepted electronically. A motion was made by Commissioner Conley, seconded by Commissioner Whisenant to decline a grant award from the Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Program, Office of Governor, Criminal Justice Division for a Juvenile Caseworker for the Justice of the Peace Courts in the amount of \$46,209.00. All voting "Aye". MOTION PASSED

32001 APPROVE THE PROPOSED DRAFT OF THE METHOD OF DISTRIBUTION (MOD) ASSOCIATED WITH FEDERAL HUD COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT



BLOCK GRANT-DISASTER RECOVERY FUNDING ADMINISTERED BY THE TEXAS GENERAL LAND OFFICE AND SET A PUBLIC HEARING DATE FOR THE PROPOSED MOD

Jeff Hauff gave a powerpoint presentation. The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), through Congressional appropriation, issued Community Development Block Grant - Disaster Recovery funding to Texas for Disaster Events DR-4223 and DR4245 occurring in 2015. The Texas General Land Office (GLO) has been designated by the State as the agency to administer the funding to counties included in the disaster declarations. The GLO has charged the "most impacted" counties (Harris, Hays, Hidalgo and Travis) to develop a Method of Distribution (MOD) for funding distribution to eligible cities within - and including - the County based on objective scoring criteria. As the City of San Marcos received a direct Congressional allocation, it is not included in the Hays County MOD. The GLO derived a formula of allocation based on overall statewide unmet needs based on FEMA and other assessments, which resulted in a 32%/68% ratio or split between the Housing and Non-Housing categories of distribution, respectively. Of the \$7,405,319 in funding allocated to Hays County, \$2,369,702 (32%) must be spent on Housing needs and \$5,035,617 will be allowed for Non-Housing or Infrastructure needs. Further, at least 70% of the funding (\$5,183,723.30) must be distributed to Low to Moderate Income (LMI) households or on projects whose service areas contain at least 70% LMI individuals/households. The factors and weighting system selected for the Hays County MOD build on the allocation formulas already employed by HUD and within the GLO State Action Plan by taking damages incurred from the disasters as the primary factor when considering allocation of funding to the various County entities. This is based on Total Projected Project amounts in dollars as determined by FEMA in calculations for Public Assistance (PA) to governmental entities for Non-Housing allocations and, in the case of Housing, to select the FEMA Verified Loss (FVL) amount as the primary basis for allocation. Also, a factor is included to address the requirement that at least 70% of the funding goes to benefit LMI individuals and groups and is applied to both Housing and Non-Housing allocations. As a public hearing must be held to consider comments on the draft MOD, a date of November 29, 2016 is proposed to hold a public hearing in conjunction with a regularly scheduled meeting of the Commissioners Court. Upon approval of the Hays County MOD by the GLO, applications for funding will be accepted and reviewed by the GLO from the various entities that have been allocated funding through the MOD. A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Jones to approve the proposed draft of the Method of Distribution (MOD) associated with federal HUD Community Development Block Grant-Disaster Recovery funding administered by the Texas General Land Office and set a public hearing date for the proposed MOD on December 6, 2016 at 10:00 a.m. All voting "Aye". MOTION PASSED

32002 APPROVE A RESOLUTION PERTAINING TO THE FINANCING OF AN ENERGY EFFICIENCY PROJECT, RELATED TO THE TECHNICAL ENERGY AUDIT PERFORMED BY PERFORMANCE SERVICE INC

On July 19, 2016, Commissioners Court passed a memorandum of understanding authorizing Performance Services Incorporated to perform a technical energy audit and report back to Hays County. The audit is complete, however, prior to moving forward with an energy conservation project, funding must be identified for construction. A motion was made by Commissioner Conley, seconded by Commissioner Whisenant to approve a resolution pertaining to The Financing of an Energy Efficiency Project, related to the technical energy audit performed by Performance Service Inc. All voting "Aye". MOTION PASSED

32003 AUTHORIZE THE COUNTY JUDGE TO EXECUTE AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH THE GUADALUPE BLANCO RIVER AUTHORITY TO PARTICIPATE IN THE FLOOD MITIGATION STRATEGIES PHASE OF THE LOWER GUADALUPE FLOOD FEASIBILITY AND FLOOD PROTECTION STUDY IN THE GUADALUPE-BLANCO RIVER BASIN; AMEND THE BUDGET ACCORDINGLY

Clint Garza, Director of Development spoke. Since August of 2011, Hays County has partnered with the Guadalupe-Blanco River Authority (GBRA) to participate in various Phases of a Flood Protection Planning Study in the Guadalupe-Blanco River Basin. The third and final phase of the modeling portion of study is nearing completion. As initially planned, the data collected in the first three phases of the project has been evaluated for potential flood mitigation strategies in the Guadalupe-Blanco River Basin. Hays County's participation in the next phase of this study will allow GBRA and the United States Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) to further analyze the potential mitigation strategies identified by the USACE. If Hays County participates, the agreement will last until 12/31/19 unless the work is completed earlier or the agreement is terminated by either party. Hays County's local share of the remaining costs for the study shall not exceed \$313,450.00. The annual breakdown is as follows: FY 2017 - \$153,699.00; FY 2018 - \$80,212.00; FY 2019 - \$79,539.00. A motion was made by Commissioner Whisenant, seconded by Commissioner Conley to authorize the County Judge to execute an interlocal agreement with the Guadalupe Blanco River Authority to participate in the flood mitigation strategies phase of the Lower Guadalupe Flood Feasibility and Flood Protection Study in the Guadalupe-Blanco River Basin. All voting "Aye". MOTION PASSED

A motion was made by Commissioner Whisenant, seconded by Commissioner Jones to amend the previous motion to authorize the County Judge to execute an interlocal agreement with the Guadalupe Blanco River Authority to participate in the flood mitigation strategies phase of the Lower Guadalupe

The 2015 Disaster Events

- May 23-24 – “Memorial Day Weekend” Floods – federal declaration DR-4223 – catastrophic flooding along the Blanco River with heavy damages in southern Hays County though not exclusive to this area.
- October 30-31 – “All Saints” Flood – federal declaration DR-4245 – more widespread impacts to the County on other drainages.

HUD Allocation to Texas

Community Development Block Grant-Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR) for DR-4223 (May 2015) and DR-4245 (October 2015) Disaster Events:

- Houston - \$66,560,000 (Direct Allocation)
- San Marcos - \$25,080,000 (Direct Allocation)
- Statewide - \$50,696,000*
- TOTAL - \$142,336,000

(* - Includes allocation of funding to “most impacted & distressed” counties of \$22,228,800)

“Most Impacted” County Allocations

- Harris - \$2,756,457
- Hays - \$7,405,319
- Hidalgo - \$4,313,027
- Travis - \$5,531,116
- Total - \$20,005,920*

[* - After 10% administration and planning set-aside by GLO (\$2,222,880)]

GLO Funding Calculations

- Statewide, the GLO calculated unmet need based on the FEMA Public Assistance (Non-housing or infrastructure) and Individuals & Households Assistance Program (Housing) amounts to counties impacted by the disasters, resulting in a ratio of 68% of the unmet need in the Non-housing area, and 32% under the Housing category.

Funding Available to Hays County

Non-housing - \$5,035,617 (68%)
 Housing - \$2,369,702 (32%)
 Total - \$7,405,319

3 CDBG National Objectives

Projects must meet one of the following CDBG National Objectives:

- Benefit low to moderate income persons
- Prevent/eliminate slums or blight
- Meet an urgent need

LMI Benefits

Overall, the County must meet and document a 70% low to moderate income (LMI) benefit in the funding distributed for the combined category expenditures.

Tie Back to Disaster Events

All projects considered must address a direct or indirect impact from the 2015 Presidentially-declared disasters. This includes direct verifiable damage that requires improvement of conditions or identification of facilities that have failed to function in the normal capacity as a result of the disasters.

CDBG Eligibility

All projects must meet eligibility requirements of the Community Development Block Grant Program and will generally fall under housing and infrastructure categories.

Hays County Role

The Texas General Land Office (GLO) has charged the County with development of a Method of Distribution (MOD), utilizing objective and verifiable criteria, to allocate funding to the various eligible local government entities within and including the County (San Marcos excluded because of a direct Congressional allocation).

Funding Restrictions

"Any funds not fully obligated by the county and funds from projects that have been allocated but are later disqualified, reduced in scope, or cost shall be returned to the State for reallocation at the State's discretion" (GLO).

Needs Assessment

The County must perform a needs assessment to determine disaster-related housing needs within their jurisdictions. This is being done through assessment of damage reports, input from local jurisdictions, and comments gained from posted notices and the proposed public hearing.

Citizen Participation Plan

The County must hold a public hearing and conduct outreach or otherwise solicit input on how impacts of the disaster events have effected the needs of persons, organizations and local governments throughout the County, make efforts to reach out to non-English speaking residents, and provide for public comment.

Minimum Allocation Amount

In order to ensure project viability, minimum allocation amounts set by the GLO are \$100,000 for the non-housing/infrastructure category and \$500,000 for those projects involving housing.

County Webinar for Jurisdictions

- On October 6, 2016 County staff conducted a Webinar with local jurisdictions to describe the program and take input (through proposed project sheets) on potential projects.
- Four communities responded by the deadline of October 20, 2016 with potential projects.

Distribution Factors – Non-Housing

- FEMA Damage Assessment – Public Assistance (PA) – Total Value of Projected Project Amounts for jurisdictions – tied to areas of impact and heavily weighted (70) because it represents damages.
- Low to Moderate Income Individuals – the Number of Individuals per jurisdiction – CDBG funding intended for LMI group – weighted a 30.

Distribution Factors - Housing

- FEMA Verified Loss – a measure of Individual and Household Assistance broken down by jurisdiction through ArcGIS analysis – a measure of damage and heavily weighted (70).
- Number of Low to Moderate Income Individuals per jurisdiction – CDBG funds are required to benefit LMI group – weighted a 30.

Other Factors Considered

- If jurisdiction did not meet required program minimum project size, the allocation was rolled into the County amount for possible sponsorship.
- For Housing projects, it is recommended that 100% of the funding be dedicated to the LMI households.
- It is recommended that benefits to LMI groups take priority over other eligible categories.

Other Considerations

- Maintain project flexibility by not restricting the types of projects that may be approved for local jurisdictions.
- Jurisdictions will submit project applications directly to GLO for the allocated funding.

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Total	\$5,035,617	\$2,369,702	\$7,405,319

Actions Needed

- Preliminary approval of the draft Method of Distribution (MOD) to solicit further public input – proposed posting date on County website of November 16, 2016.
- Schedule a required Public Hearing – proposed date of December 6, 2016 during regular scheduled session of the Hays County Commissioners Court.
- Publish Notice of Public Hearing in Newspapers

Public Comment

- Written public comment will be received on the draft CDBG-DR MOD by the Hays County Grants Administration Office from 8:00am Wednesday, November 16 through Wednesday, December 7, 2016 at 5:00pm.
- Comments may be sent by regular mail to the above office at 712 S. Stagecoach Trail, Ste. 1204, San Marcos, Texas 78666 or by email to: Jeff.Hauff@co.hays.tx.us
- Comments will also be received via the public hearing on December 6, 2016.

Questions or Comments

**Commissioners Court -December 6, 2016
NOTICE OF A MEETING OF THE
COMMISSIONERS COURT OF HAYS COUNTY, TEXAS**



This Notice is posted pursuant to the Texas Open Meetings Act. (VERNONS TEXAS CODES ANN. GOV. CODE CH.551). The Hays County Commissioners Court will hold a meeting at 9:00 A.M. on the 6th day of December, 2016, in the Hays County Courthouse, Room 301, San Marcos, Texas. An Open Meeting will be held concerning the following subjects:

CALL TO ORDER

INVOCATION

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE - Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag & Pledge of Allegiance to the Texas Flag

ROLL CALL

PRESENTATIONS & PROCLAMATIONS

1	3-4	Adopt a proclamation recognizing December 4-10, 2016 as National Influenza Vaccination Week. INGALSBE/GARZA
2	5	Update from the Office of Emergency Services staff on the progress of the Hays County Flood Warning System project. INGALSBE/CONLEY/SMITH/MCINNIS

PUBLIC COMMENTS

At this time **3-MINUTE** comments will be taken from the audience on Non-Agenda related topics. To address the Court, please submit a Public Participation/ Witness Form to the County Clerk. Please Complete the Public Participation/ Witness Form in its Entirety.
NO ACTION MAY BE TAKEN BY THE COURT DURING PUBLIC COMMENTS.

CONSENT ITEMS

The following may be acted upon in one motion.
A Commissioner, the County Judge, or a Citizen may request items be pulled for separate discussion and/or action.

3	6	Approve payments of county invoices. VILLARREAL-ALONZO
4	7-15	Approve Commissioners Court Minutes of November 22, 2016. COBB/GONZALEZ
5	16	Approve and confirm the appointment of Cody Cheatham as Deputy Constable and Ashley Jackson as Reserve Deputy Constable in the Hays County Constable Precinct 3 Office effective January 1, 2017. CONLEY/AYERS
6	17	Approval to hold online auction with Rene Bates Auctioneers to dispose of surplus property pursuant to Texas Local Government Code 263.152 (a) (1) and authorize Purchasing Manager to advertise. COBB/MAIORKA/VILLARREAL-ALONZO
7	18	Amend various departmental operating budgets in preparation for the County's FY 2016 year-end process. COBB/VILLARREAL-ALONZO
8	19	Ratify the disposal of six Automated External Defibrillators (AED's), as a credit allowance of \$1,200.00 towards the purchase of new AED units for the Sheriff's Jail Division. COBB/CUTLER
9	20	Authorize Commercial OSSF Permit at 5401 W Fitzhugh, Dripping Springs, TX 78620. WHISENANT/MCINNIS
10	21	Authorize the Sheriff's Office to utilize existing funds to purchase a Biometric Rifle Safe for School Resource Officers assigned to Hays High School. COBB/CUTLER
11	22	Accept a donation from the Harry L. Willett Foundation for the Buck Winn Mural Restoration Project and amend the budget accordingly. COBB/JOHNSON
12	23	Approve the reappointments of Doyle Krumrey, Sharon O'Brien and Bob Wilson to the Hays County ESD #3 for additional two year terms. CONLEY
13	24-26	Authorize Development & Community Services to add a telephone allowance effective December 1, 2016 for the Environmental Health Specialist, slot 0235-004 per the data request form and amend the budget accordingly. COBB/GARZA

ACTION ITEMS

ROADS

14	27	Discussion and possible action to hold a public hearing to establish a school zone speed limit of 30 MPH on Sawyer Ranch Rd for the new elementary school. WHISENANT/BORCHERDING
15	28	Discussion and possible action to hold a public hearing to establish a 25 MPH speed limit on Boulder Bluff. WHISENANT/BORCHERDING
16	29	Discussion and possible action to hold a public hearing to establish a 25 MPH speed limit on Owl Hollow Rd. WHISENANT/BORCHERDING

SUBDIVISIONS

17	30-32	Call for a public hearing on December 20, 2016 to discuss final plat approval of the Replat of Lot 24, Rolling Oaks Section 1. CONLEY/HAIRELL
18	33-34	SUB-647 The Farmstead at Driftwood Subdivision (1 Lot). Discussion and possible action to approve final plat. WHISENANT/HAIRELL

MISCELLANEOUS

19	35-56	Discussion and possible action regarding the Texas Property Assessed Clean Energy Act (PACE) including a presentation on the PACE program and consideration of a Resolution of Intent required for establishing a PACE program in Hays County. COBB
20	57-64	Discussion and possible action to consider a bid on property held in trust. COBB/CARAWAY
21	65-68	Discussion and possible action to authorize the County Judge to execute a Contract with Gerloff Company Inc. for mechanical, electrical, and plumbing repairs within the Hays County Government Center. INGALSBE/GARZA
22	69	Discussion and possible action to form committees for the planning of road projects related to the 2016 voter approved road bond election. CONLEY/JONES
23	70	Discussion and possible action to authorize the Sheriff's Office to convert Deputy, slot 055-072 to an Inspector under the Office of Professional Responsibility division effective December 16, 2016. WHISENANT/CUTLER
24	71	Hold a public hearing at 10:00am regarding the proposed Method of Distribution for \$7,405,319 in Community Development Block Grant - Disaster Recovery program funding available through the Texas General Land Office. Possible action may follow. COBB/SMITH/HAUFF

EXECUTIVE SESSIONS

The Commissioners Court will announce it will go into Executive Session, if necessary, pursuant to Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code, to receive advice from Legal Counsel to discuss matters of land acquisition, litigation, and personnel matters as specifically listed on this agenda. The Commissioners Court may also announce it will go into Executive Session, if necessary, to receive advice from Legal Counsel regarding any other item on this agenda.

25	72	Executive Session pursuant to Sections 551.071 and 551.072 of the Texas Government Code: consultation with counsel and deliberation regarding the purchase, exchange or value of Right of Way along proposed FM110 in Pct. 1. Possible action to follow in open court. INGALSBE
26	73	Executive Session pursuant to Sections 551.071 and 551.074 of the Texas Government Code: consultation with counsel and deliberation regarding the performance and duties of the Veterans Service Officer, Emergency Management Coordinator, IT Director, Human Resources Director, Transportation Director, General Counsel, Elections Administrator, Development and Community Services Director, Grants Administrator, Chief Juvenile Probation Officer and Juvenile Facility Administrator. COBB

STANDING AGENDA ITEMS

The Commissioners Court utilizes Standing Agenda Items to address issues that are frequently or periodically discussed in court. This section allows the Court to open the item when a need for discussion arises.

27	Discussion of issues related to the Hays County Jail, and the planning of projects pertaining to the public safety facilities needs within the County. Possible action may follow. COBB/CUTLER	
28	Discussion and possible action related to the burn ban and/or disaster declaration. COBB/SMITH/BROWNING	
29	Discussion of issues related to the road bond projects, including updates from Mike Weaver, Prime Strategies, Laura Harris, HNTB and Allen Crozier, HDR. Possible action may follow. COBB	

ADJOURNMENT

Posted by 5:00 o'clock P.M. on the 2nd day of December, 2016

COMMISSIONERS COURT, HAYS COUNTY, TEXAS

CLERK OF THE COURT

Hays County encourages compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) in the conduct of all public meetings. To that end, persons with disabilities who plan to attend this meeting and who may need auxiliary aids such as an interpreter for a person who is hearing impaired are requested to contact the Hays County Judge's Office at (512) 393-2205 as soon as the meeting is posted (72 hours before the meeting) or as soon as practical so that appropriate arrangements can be made. While it would be helpful to receive as much advance notice as possible, Hays County will make every reasonable effort to accommodate any valid request regardless of when it is received. Braille is not available.

AGENDA ITEM REQUEST FORM

Hays County Commissioners Court
Tuesdays at 9:00 AM

Request forms are due in Microsoft Word Format via email by 2:00 p.m. on Wednesday.

AGENDA ITEM

Hold a public hearing at 10:00am regarding the proposed Method of Distribution for \$7,405,319 in Community Development Block Grant - Disaster Recovery program funding available through the Texas General Land Office. Possible action may follow.

ITEM TYPE	MEETING DATE	AMOUNT REQUIRED
ACTION-MISCELLANEOUS	December 6, 2016	N/A

LINE ITEM NUMBER

AUDITOR USE ONLY

AUDITOR COMMENTS:

PURCHASING GUIDELINES FOLLOWED: N/A **AUDITOR REVIEW:** N/A

REQUESTED BY	SPONSOR	CO-SPONSOR
Smith/Hauff	COBB	N/A

SUMMARY

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The factors and weighting system selected for the Hays County MOD build on the allocation formulas already within the GLO State Action Plan by taking damages incurred from the disasters as the primary factor when considering allocation of funding to the various County entities. This is based on Total Projected Project amounts in dollars as determined by FEMA in calculations for Public Assistance (PA) to governmental entities for Non-Housing allocations and, in the case of Housing, the FEMA Verified Loss (FVL) amount as the primary basis for allocation. Also, a secondary factor is included to address the requirement that at least 70% of the funding goes to benefit LMI individuals and groups and is applied to both Housing and Non-Housing allocations.

The public hearing will be held to consider public comments on the draft MOD. Upon consideration of any comments received at the public hearing and those written comments received by the deadline date of December 7, 2016 at 5:00pm, the MOD will be submitted for approval by the GLO. Upon approval, applications for funding will be accepted and reviewed by the GLO from the various entities that have been allocated funding through the Hays County MOD.

CDBG-DR Method of Distribution

**Hays County
Public Hearing
December 6, 2016**

Hays County Role

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- The funding ratio is based on overall statewide impacts from the two disasters and is 68% for non-housing needs and 32% for housing needs.
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The County must perform a needs assessment to determine disaster-related housing and community development needs within their jurisdictions:

- Damage reports/projected project amounts from FEMA;
- Webinar by County and input from local jurisdictions eligible for funding;
- Written and public hearing comments received.

Distribution Factors Selected

- FEMA Damage Reports – Public Assistance (PA) for governmental entities and FEMA Verified Loss (FVL) for individual and household assistance – tied to areas of impact and heavily weighted (70) because it is likely representative of damages incurred.
- Low to Moderate Income Individuals – the number of individuals per jurisdiction – CDBG funding intended for LMI group – weighted a 30

Housing/Non-Housing Need

- \$10,955,942+ in housing assistance measured at time of assessment from FEMA reports of FVL;
- \$6,174,950 in non-housing projects determined by FEMA Total Projected Project Amount worksheets at time of assessment.

Elements Considered by County

- If jurisdiction did not meet required program minimum project size, the allocation was rolled into the County amount for possible sponsorship.
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- It is recommended that benefits to LMI groups take priority over other eligible national priorities for CDBG due to current requirement for 70% LMI benefit.

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Questions/Comments

Public Hearing



was made by Commissioner Conley, seconded by Commissioner Whisenant to form committees for the planning of road projects related to the 2016 voter approved road bond election. All present voting "Aye". MOTION PASSED

32063 AUTHORIZE THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE TO CONVERT DEPUTY, SLOT 055-072 TO AN INSPECTOR UNDER THE OFFICE OF PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY DIVISION EFFECTIVE DECEMBER 16, 2016

The Sheriff is requesting the Courts consideration to convert one Deputy Position that is currently assigned to the Government Center Security division to an Inspector (graded as a Sergeant MBS4) under the Office of Professional Responsibility division. The Sheriff's Office currently has one position that oversees Human Resources, internal investigations, background checks and the reserve officer program. Due to growth within the County and the Sheriff's Law Enforcement division it is necessary to have additional manpower to maintain justice, integrity and a high level of service to the County and public. This position will report to the current Inspector (graded as a Lieutenant) and will be responsible for background checks and the reserve officer program. Due to the confidentiality, complexity and strict core values for this division it is necessary to promote individuals that have proven characteristics and accountability. Fiscal Impact: Base salary increase for the remainder of FY 2017 is \$8,246 plus \$1,642 in fringe benefits for a total of \$9,888 required. Salary savings within the department due to vacancies have been identified to fund this request. (\$12,478 - annualized). Hays County Sheriff Gary Cutler and General Counsel Mark Kennedy spoke. A motion was made by Commissioner Jones, seconded by Commissioner Whisenant to authorize the Sheriff's Office to convert Deputy, slot 055-072 to an Inspector under the Office of Professional Responsibility division effective December 16, 2016. All present voting "Aye". MOTION PASSED

HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING AT 10:00AM REGARDING THE PROPOSED METHOD OF DISTRIBUTION FOR \$7,405,319 IN COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT - DISASTER RECOVERY PROGRAM FUNDING AVAILABLE THROUGH THE TEXAS GENERAL LAND OFFICE. POSSIBLE ACTION MAY FOLLOW

Judge Cobb opened the public hearing at 11:10 a.m. Don Ferguson from the City of Wimberley and Chance Sparks, Interim City Manager for the city of Buda spoke. Jeff Hauff, from the Hays County Grants department gave a presentation on the matter. Judge Cobb closed the public hearing at 11:32 a.m. The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), through Congressional appropriation, issued Community Development Block Grant - Disaster Recovery funding to Texas for Disaster Events DR-4223 and DR4245 occurring in 2015. The Texas General Land Office (GLO) has been designated by the State as the agency to administer the funding to counties included in the disaster declarations. The GLO has charged the "most impacted" counties (Harris, Hays, Hidalgo and Travis) to develop a Method of Distribution (MOD) for funding distribution to eligible cities within - and including - the County based on objective scoring criteria. As the City of San Marcos received a direct Congressional allocation, it is not included in the Hays County MOD. Of the \$7,405,319 in funding allocated to Hays County, \$2,369,702 (32%) must be spent on Housing needs and \$5,035,617 will be allowed for Non-Housing or Infrastructure needs. Further, at least 70% of the funding (\$5,183,723.30) must be distributed to Low to Moderate Income (LMI) households or on projects whose service areas contain at least 70% LMI individuals/households. Projects may include those generally accepted under the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program. The factors and weighting system selected for the Hays County MOD build on the allocation formulas already within the GLO State Action Plan by taking damages incurred from the disasters as the primary factor when considering allocation of funding to the various County entities. This is based on Total Projected Project amounts in dollars as determined by FEMA in calculations for Public Assistance (PA) to governmental entities for Non Housing allocations and, in the case of Housing, the FEMA Verified Loss (FVL) amount as the primary basis for allocation. Also, a secondary factor is included to address the requirement that at least 70% of the funding goes to benefit LMI individuals and groups and is applied to both Housing and Non-Housing allocations. The public hearing will be held to consider public comments on the draft MOD. Upon consideration of any comments received at the public hearing and those written comments received by the deadline date of December 7, 2016 at 5:00pm, the MOD will be submitted for approval by the GLO. Upon approval, applications for funding will be accepted and reviewed by the GLO from the various entities that have been allocated funding through the Hays County MOD.

County Clerk's Note Agenda Item #25 RE: EXECUTIVE SESSION PURSUANT TO SECTIONS 551.071 AND 551.072 OF THE TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE: CONSULTATION WITH COUNSEL AND DELIBERATION REGARDING THE PURCHASE, EXCHANGE OR VALUE OF RIGHT OF WAY ALONG PROPOSED FM110 IN PCT. 1. POSSIBLE ACTION TO FOLLOW IN OPEN COURT - was pulled.

EXECUTIVE SESSION PURSUANT TO SECTIONS 551.071 AND 551.074 OF THE TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE: CONSULTATION WITH COUNSEL AND DELIBERATION REGARDING THE PERFORMANCE AND DUTIES OF THE VETERANS SERVICE OFFICER, EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COORDINATOR, IT DIRECTOR, HUMAN RESOURCES DIRECTOR, TRANSPORTATION DIRECTOR, GENERAL COUNSEL,

12/6/2016	CDBG Funding - GLO - Public Comment	Name/Representing	Email address/Phone number
1	12/6/16	Don Focused/City of Comanche	dfocused@cityofcomanche.com 512.867.0075
2	12/6/16	CHANGE SPARKS/CITY OF BUDA	CSPARKS@CI.BUDA.TX.US 512 312 5745
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**Commissioners Court -December 20, 2016
NOTICE OF A MEETING OF THE
COMMISSIONERS COURT OF HAYS COUNTY, TEXAS**



This Notice is posted pursuant to the Texas Open Meetings Act. (VERNONS TEXAS CODES ANN. GOV. CODE CH.551). The Hays County Commissioners Court will hold a meeting at 9:00 A.M. on the 20th day of December, 2016, in the Hays County Courthouse, Room 301, San Marcos, Texas. An Open Meeting will be held concerning the following subjects:

CALL TO ORDER

INVOCATION

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE - Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag & Pledge of Allegiance to the Texas Flag
ROLL CALL

PRESENTATIONS & PROCLAMATIONS		
1	4-6	Presentation of Hays County Service Awards. COBB
2	7	Adopt a proclamation declaring December 21st as Joyce Cowan Day in Hays County and recognize Ms. Cowan for her 31 years of service as the Hays County Elections Administrator. COBB
3	8	Presentation by LAN regarding Hog Creek flood mitigation research and proposal. CONLEY

PUBLIC COMMENTS		
<p>At this time 3-MINUTE comments will be taken from the audience on Non-Agenda related topics. To address the Court, please submit a Public Participation/ Witness Form to the County Clerk. <u>Please Complete the Public Participation/ Witness Form in its Entirety.</u> NO ACTION MAY BE TAKEN BY THE COURT DURING PUBLIC COMMENTS.</p>		

CONSENT ITEMS		
<p>The following may be acted upon in one motion. A Commissioner, the County Judge, or a Citizen may request items be pulled for separate discussion and/or action.</p>		
4	9	Approve payments of county invoices. VILLARREAL-ALONZO
5	10-14	Approve Commissioners Court Minutes of December 13, 2016. COBB/GONZALEZ
6	15	Approve the re-appointment of Jim Hollis as a member of Emergency Services District #2. JONES
7	16	Approve the re-appointment of Eric Holen and Susan Meckel as members of Emergency Services District #5. JONES
8	17	Approve the re-appointment of Jim Weatherford, Paul Kaskie and Scott Stevens as members of Emergency Services District #8. JONES
9	18	Reappoint James Holt to the Plum Creek Conservation District. JONES
10	19-28	Authorize the County Judge to execute a Geospatial Data Interlocal Contract between Hays County and Capital Area Council of Governments ("CAPCOG") for Geomap 2017 work. COBB/GARZA
11	29-30	Approve the addition of security equipment by Argyle Security at the Road and Bridge Department's office on Yarrington Road that was inadvertently left out of the original contract and amend the budget accordingly. COBB/BORCHERDING
12	31	Amend various departmental operating budgets in preparation for the County's FY 2016 year-end process. COBB/ VILLARREAL-ALONZO
13	32-36	Approve the appointment of Robbie Hawkins and the reappointment of Karen Brown, June Hankins and Mary Cauble to the Hays County Child Protective Board. COBB
14	37	Authorize overtime pay for the Facility Maintenance staff for work related to the domestic plumbing system at the Hays County Government Center and amend the budget accordingly. INGALSBE/GARZA
15	38-51	Authorize the County Judge to execute a contract with Surveying and Mapping LLC (SAM) for services related to Hays County owned properties. INGALSBE/CONLEY/GARZA
16	52	Approve the re-appointment of Tim Von Kennel, Robert Avera and Jennifer Rodriguez to the board of Commissioners for ESD #6. WHISENANT

ACTION ITEMS**ROADS**

17	53-96	Discussion and possible action to authorize County Judge to sign a PSA with HDR Inc. for preliminary engineering of a proposed extension of Centerpoint Road. CONLEY/BORCHERDING
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SUBDIVISIONS

18	97-99	SUB-531; Replat of Lot 24, Rolling Oaks Section 1. Discussion and possible action to approve final plat; hold a public hearing. CONLEY/HAIRELL
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MISCELLANEOUS

19	100-119	Discussion and possible action to approve a Resolution of Intent required for establishing a Property Assessed Clean Energy (PACE) program in Hays County, and call for a public hearing in accordance with section 399.008 (a) (2) of the Texas Local Government Code. COBB
20	120-121	Discussion and possible action to approve the appointment of Stacy Morgan to replace Richard Garrett as a member of Emergency Services District #2. JONES
21	122-123	Discussion and possible action to approve a resolution in opposition to re:SearchTX. COBB/GONZALEZ
22	124	Discussion and possible action to establish traffic enforcement in the Elliott Ranch Subdivision in Precinct 2, as authorized by Section 542.007 of the Texas Transportation Code. JONES/CUTLER
23	125-134	Discussion and possible action to consider comments received on the proposed Method of Distribution for 2015 Floods CDBG - Disaster Recovery Allocation funding and approval of final document for submission to the Texas General Land Office for review. COBB/SMITH/HAUFF
24	135	Discussion and possible action to award work to select respondents of RFQ 2017-P01, related to the Hays County Public Safety Bond Program; to authorize General Counsel to finalize Professional Services Agreements with awardees; and to authorize the County Judge to execute said Agreements. INGALSBE/CONLEY
25	136	Hold a Public Hearing related to the adjusted Levy of Assessments in the La Cima Public Improvement District; possible action, including but not limited to the adoption of the Levy of Assessments, may follow. CONLEY
26	137	Discussion and possible action to approve a bond in the amount of \$15,000 for Jennifer Anderson, Hays County Elections Administrator effective January 1, 2017. COBB
27	138	Discussion and possible action to authorize the Transportation Director to hire vacant Road Maintenance Worker Senior, Slot 1070-005 (position #710-1070-032414) at the 25th percentile pay with an increase to the 50th percentile after a 6 month probationary period. COBB/BORCHERDING
28	139-162	Discussion and possible action to authorize a Regional Habitat Conservation Plan Participation Agreement between Hays County and Lazy Oaks Ranch, LP, authorize General Counsel and Director of Development and Community Services to negotiate the terms of the Agreement, and authorize the Director of Development and Community Services to execute the Agreement. CONLEY/GARZA
29	163-164	Discussion and possible action of the Hays County Commissioners Court related to the study of Hydrology and Hydraulics in the area around Sawyer Ranch Road near Rugged Earth Drive. WHISENANT/BORCHERDING
30	165-169	Discussion and possible action to approve a resolution supporting the efforts of Caldwell and Guadalupe Counties to hold a local option election for the creation of a Water Oriented Recreation District (WORD) in certain areas along the portion of the San Marcos River separating the two counties. INGALSBE
31	170-192	Discussion and possible action to approve the first Addendum to the Interlocal Agreement between Hays County and the City of San Marcos related to the downtown San Marcos Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone No. 5. CONLEY/INGALSBE
32	193-196	Discussion and possible action to consider the appointment of Roger Thormahlen and Keith Hughart to the board of Commissioners for ESD #1. WHISENANT

AGENDA ITEM REQUEST FORM

Hays County Commissioners Court

Tuesdays at 9:00 AM

Request forms are due in Microsoft Word Format via email by 2:00 p.m. on Wednesday.

AGENDA ITEM

Discussion and possible action to consider comments received on the proposed Method of Distribution for 2015 Floods CDBG - Disaster Recovery Allocation funding and approval of final document for submission to the Texas General Land Office for review.

ITEM TYPE	MEETING DATE	AMOUNT REQUIRED
ACTION-MISCELLANEOUS	December 20, 2016	N/A

LINE ITEM NUMBER

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AUDITOR USE ONLY

AUDITOR COMMENTS:

PURCHASING GUIDELINES FOLLOWED: N/A **AUDITOR REVIEW:** N/A

REQUESTED BY	SPONSOR	CO-SPONSOR
Smith/Hauff	COBB	N/A

SUMMARY

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Of the \$7,405,319 in funding allocated to Hays County, \$2,369,702 (32%) must be spent on Housing needs and \$5,035,617 will be allowed for Non-Housing or Infrastructure needs. Further, at least 70% of the funding (\$5,183,723.30) must be distributed to benefit Low to Moderate Income (LMI) households or on projects whose service areas contain at least 51% LMI individuals/households. Projects may include those generally accepted under the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program.

The initial draft of the MOD was approved on November 15, 2016 by Commissioners Court action and posted with notice for a public hearing/ public comment on the Hays County website on November 16, with subsequent legal notice of the hearing also published in the San Marcos Record on November 22, 2016. A public hearing was held on December 6, 2016 during a regular meeting of the Commissioners Court with two comments received. The public comment period closed on December 7, 2016 at 5:00pm with several comments received. Upon consideration of comments received at the public hearing and those written comments received, any changes to the draft MOD will be considered and approved by the Commissioners Court and the document will be submitted for review and approval by the GLO.



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December 5, 2016

Jeff Hauff, Grants Coordinator
Hays Government Center, Suite 1204
712 S. Stagecoach Trail
San Marcos, Texas 78666

RE: Hays County CDBG-DR Method of Distribution Comments

Mr. Hauff:

Please accept this letter as the official comment from the City of Buda pertaining to the CDBG-DR allocation method of distribution. The City of Buda thanks Hays County for their efforts in what we know is a difficult situation given the insufficient overall funding provided to Hays County.

Housing

In reviewing the housing method of distribution, the City of Buda understands the constraints placed by an underfunded state allocation to Hays County and the minimum allocation of \$500,000 prescribed by the General Land Office. The City of Buda's understanding is that it will still be able to access funding through Hays County for potential housing programs and buyouts. In particular, the City is interested in funding:

- Buyout, relocation or elevation of homes on Claudia Drive
- Buyout of the Onion Creek Village Senior Apartments on Bluff Street
 - *Note: This facility has income-restrictions, has higher numbers of individuals with disabilities, and has been subject of multiple evacuation orders*

Non-Housing

In reviewing the non-housing method of distribution, the City has concerns that it does not properly weight distribution factors and the factors do not provide sufficient long-term recovery perspective and risks undermining requirements to affirmatively further fair housing. This is due to the comparatively low weight of the low-moderate income population (30 percent) and the lack of a factor to address failure-to-function in addition to direct damage. The City of Buda believes failure-to-function is a critical component, as it addresses underlying causes of damage in a long-term manner that can prevent damage & create resiliency in the future. To that end, the City of Buda has prepared a substitute Non-Housing Method of Distribution attached with this comment and further described below.

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The City of Buda respectfully requests that a third factor, US Census Population (2015 Estimate), be utilized in the MOD. The reasons for inclusion are:

- Higher population is more likely to result in "Low-Moderate Income Pockets" that contain areas likely to succeed in meeting the low-moderate income national objective with a beneficiary survey
- Higher population creates an environment that should tend to result in higher return on investment for projects
- Higher population areas have a greater amount of qualifying infrastructure categories, which is important since FEMA PA data is more applicable to direct damage and does not address the second "failure-to-function" qualifying factor; failure-to-function is important as it leads to long-term resiliency rather than simply repairing what existed previously
- Higher population areas are more likely to have circumstances in which non-housing projects qualify as "in support of LMI housing"

Furthermore, the City of Buda requests weighting as follows under the alternate method of distribution for non-housing, with the addition of the third factor:

- LMI – 50 percent weight
- FEMA PA – 30 percent weight
- Population – 20 percent weight (as a means to link to failure to function)

This results in no entity having an allocation above the FEMA PA amount, as Buda understands this was a concern for the Commissioners Court. Also, having a 50 percent weight on low-moderate income vs. damage/failure-to-function is an elegant way to acknowledge the two critical qualifying national objectives (low-moderate income & elimination of slum/blight and urgent need) in equal value and in a manner more consistent with obligations to affirmatively further fair housing. It also weights distribution in such a way that projects have potentially multiple qualification routes that, therefore, avoid remitting any funds back to the state CDBG-DR pool due to failures to meet national objectives.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on this method of distribution. Should you have further questions, please contact me or Chance Sparks, Interim Assistant City Manager, at 512-312-0084.

Sincerely,



Kenneth Williams, MPA
City Manager



CITY OF KYLE

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December 6, 2016

Ms. Kharley Smith
Hays County
712 S. Stagecoach Trail
San Marcos, TX 78666

**RE: CDBG Disaster Recovery Funding
Windy Hill at Richmond Branch Drainage Improvement Project
And Bebee Road at Bunton Branch Tributary Drainage Improvement
Project Submittals**

Dear Ms. Smith:

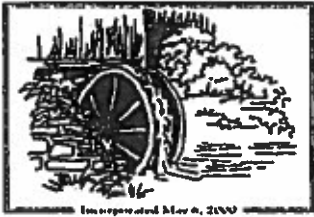
We are requesting the two projects referenced above be considered for the CDBG Disaster Recovery Funding program. The City is requesting \$1,662,000.00 for the Windy Hill drainage improvements and \$946,100.00 for the Bebee Road improvements. We believe both projects meet the criteria of the program per the information previously provided by Hays County. Windy Hill improvements benefitting approximately 56% of the low to moderate population in our area and Bebee benefitting more than 51% of this population.

We are pleased with the possible draft allocation of \$1,182,376, however if for some reason, one of our neighboring communities is not able to satisfy the requirements of the program, we request our projects be considered for additional funding.

Please proceed with your recommendations to the General Land Office, and thank you for working with us to enhance our community.

Sincerely,

Scott Sellers
City Manager
City of Kyle
(512) 262-3923



City of Wimberley

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Council Members - Bob Dussler, Craig Fore, Sally Trapp, Gary Barchfeld
Don Ferguson, City Administrator

December 7, 2016

Jeff Hauff
Grants Administrator
County of Hays
Hays Government Center, Suite 1204
712 S. Stagecoach Trail
San Marcos, Texas 78666

Dear Jeff:

I am writing this letter to provide comment on behalf of the City of Wimberley ("City") regarding the proposed *2015 Floods CDBG-Disaster Recovery Fund Allocation Plan* ("Plan") for Hays County.

On December 1, 2016, the Wimberley City Council met and reviewed the Plan proposed for the allocation of the \$7,405,319 in Community Development Block Grant ("CDBG") Disaster Recovery Funds recently awarded to help meet housing and infrastructure needs resulting from the May and October floods in 2015 in Hays County.

After reviewing the Plan, the City has no issue with the methodology used to develop the Plan or the low to moderate income parameters established for projects to be funded under the Plan. It is apparent those areas of Hays County most severely damaged by flooding and those persons least likely to have the resources to provide long-term repairs and resiliency were taken into account in the development of the Plan.

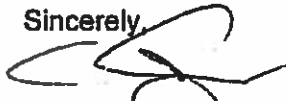
Under the Plan, if approved, the City of Wimberley would receive \$199,136.12 for non-housing related projects and \$866,188.47 for housing-related projects.

While the City appreciates the proposed allocation provided for non-housing related projects in Wimberley, the City does not have any non-housing related projects that would meet the established funding criteria. That said, the City would encourage the Hays County Commissioners Court to consider reallocating the non-housing related project funding earmarked for Wimberley to projects in other areas of Hays County that meet the established funding criteria.

As for the proposed housing-related project funding allocation, the City has identified a need for \$518,476 or approximately 60 percent of the funding allocated for housing-related projects in Wimberley. This funding would be used to help match flood mitigation grants awarded to the City for property buy out or elevation, provided the property to be acquired or elevated meets the low to moderate income requirements. The City would encourage the Hays County Commissioners Court consider reallocating the remaining \$347,712 of housing-related project funding earmarked for Wimberley to projects in other areas of Hays County that meet the established funding criteria.

Thank you again for providing the City with the opportunity to offer input on the Plan. Please feel free to contact me in the event you have any questions or need additional information from the City.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Don Ferguson", written over a circular stamp or seal.

Don Ferguson
City Administrator



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December 7, 2016

Jeff Hauff
Grants Administrator
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712 S. Stagecoach Trail
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Via Email: jeff.hauff@co.hays.tx.us

Re: Public Comment on Hays County Method of Distribution for 2015 Floods Community Development Block Grant-Disaster Recovery Allocation

To Whom It May Concern:

Hays County has determined that it will use a Method of Distribution for the 2015 Floods Community Development Block Grant-Disaster Recovery Allocation that includes the requirement that the project benefit a group that is made up of 70% low-to-moderate income persons. The City of Dripping Springs' proposed project does not meet that criterion. Furthermore, there is no reasonable possibility that additional research would change the results included in the submitted project. Therefore, the Dripping Springs Ranch Park Dam Repair proposal is withdrawn.

We request that the allocation of \$288,898.43 for Dripping Springs, as presented in the draft Hays County Method of Distribution for 2015 Floods Community Development Block Grant-Disaster Recovery Allocation, be returned to Hays County and utilized for other eligible projects, as Dripping Springs will not be utilizing the funding.

Please contact me if there are any questions about this matter.

Sincerely,

Michelle Fischer
City Administrator



December 7, 2016

The Honorable Bert Cobb, M.D, County Judge
Hays County
111 E. San Antonio Street, Ste. 300
San Marcos, Texas 78666
VIA EMAIL Bert.Cobb@co.hays.texas.us

RE: Hays County Method of Distribution for 2015 Floods CDBG-Disaster Recovery Allocation

Dear Judge Cobb:

Thank you for the opportunity to provide comments on the Draft Hays County Method of Distribution (MOD) for 2015 Floods CDBG- DR Allocation. We applaud the County's commitment to resilience, and to prioritizing intersections between severe flood damage and those with the fewest resources to recover in order to further that goal.

Texas Appleseed, with the Texas Low-Income Housing Information Service (TxLIHIS), has worked for over 10 years to ensure that all Texans have an equal opportunity to access disaster recovery programs. One of the legacies of segregation is that historically underserved populations—the poor, people of color, persons with disabilities—often live in areas most vulnerable to flooding and the other impacts of both natural and man-made disasters. They are also disproportionately negatively impacted by disasters, have a harder time recovering, and have historically been underserved by both short and long-term disaster recovery programs.¹

We also appreciate that Hays County's Citizen Participation Plan and outreach efforts went beyond simply posting notices and holding public hearings, using social media and specific outreach to organizations serving the Latino community. The County might consider reaching out to organizations that represent people of color, persons with disabilities, and other potentially

¹ See, e.g., Thomas Gabe, Gene Falk, Maggie McCarty, and Virginia Mason, *Hurricane Katrina: Social-Demographic Characteristics of Impacted Areas*, Congressional Research Service Report to Congress (November 5, 2005); Alice Fothergill and Lori Peek, *Poverty and Disasters in the United States: A Review of Recent Sociological Findings*, *Natural Hazards* 32: 89–110, 2014; and, Shannon Van Zandt, Walter Gillis Peacock, Wesley E. Highland, and Samuel D. Brody, "Mapping social vulnerability to enhance housing and neighborhood resilience", *Housing Policy Debate* 22(1) 29-55 (January 2012).

more difficult to reach affected populations in both the continuing process for these CDBG-DR funds and for future outreach.

The Hays County MOD incorporates and provides clear guidance to potential subrecipients on the inclusion of fair housing and civil rights requirements in project selection at a level we have not seen in other MODs or Action Plans. This type of guidance is critical.

In order to carry out the type of analysis required and complete a Needs Assessment, we recommend that the County consult the recent guidance issued by the United States Departments of Justice (DOJ), Homeland Security (DHS), Housing and Urban Development (HUD), Health and Human Services (HHS), and Transportation (DOT) on Title VI of the Civil Rights Act for federally assisted recipients engaged in disaster preparedness, response, mitigation, and recovery (DOJ Guidance).² While we recognize that this guidance is extremely new and that the State and local jurisdictions were engaged in the Needs Assessment and Action Plan process before it was issued, Section E provides additional guidance on collecting and analyzing data in order to ensure Title VI compliance and equitable recovery that will be helpful to Hays County in producing the complete impact and needs assessment and consideration of the civil rights implications of its planning decisions set out in its MOD.

Inherent in the reporting and civil rights requirements of the CDBG-DR program, and made explicit by DOJ's new guidance, is that the required impact and needs assessment must include, "information about the race, color, national origin, languages spoken by LEP populations, and other demographic information of communities served by a federally assisted program, activity, or service" and "identify, obtain, review, and share aggregate race, color, and national origin data concerning the extent and geographic distribution of damage caused by disasters and emergencies before formulating recovery and mitigation plans."³ The Hays County Needs Assessment process may well have included the collection and analysis of this information, but that Needs Assessment is not included in the MOD. We look forward to seeing it.

We appreciate Hays County's commitment to effective disaster recovery planning that focuses on resilience, is part of a larger planning process, and incorporates civil rights considerations in a way that will ensure all its residents affected by the 2015 floods have fair chance to recover and strengthen all the County's communities.

Sincerely,

Madison Sloan, Director
Disaster Recovery and Fair Housing Project

² Guidance to State and Local Governments and Other Federally Assisted Recipients Engaged in Emergency Preparedness, Response, Mitigation, and Recovery Activities on Compliance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964. Available: <https://www.justice.gov/crt/file/885401/download>

³ "Data can include the geographic distribution of individuals by race, color, and national origin (including Limited English Proficiency); the reliance of particular communities on public transit; the proximity of different groups to emergency or disaster danger zones; and the geographic distribution of damage, taking into account various degrees of severity." (DOJ Guidance at 14-15)

Jeff Hauff

From: Thomas Monahan <tmonahan@br3t.org>
Sent: Tuesday, December 06, 2016 2:08 PM
To: Jeff Hauff
Subject: Public Comment on Hays County CDBG funds

Mr. Hauff,

I'm very pleased that the county will be receiving CDBG funds to assist with the recovery from the devastating flooding last year. The Blanco River Regional Recovery Team (BR3T) is ready to use those funds to help flood victims rebuild, repair and recover.

While I know you don't have control of the LMI totals that dictate who can benefit from these funds, however if we were allowed to raise those limits just a few thousand dollars, it would enable us to help more flood victims in our area.

Peace with love,
Thomas Monahan
Executive Director
Blanco River Regional Recovery Team (BR3T)
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Response to comments on CDBG-DR Method of Distribution – December 20, 2016 – Item #23

Response to Texas Appleseed concerns regarding Needs Assessment:

All project applications will undergo review by GLO for fair housing consideration. Included in current MOD: “All subgrantees and/or subrecipients will certify that they will affirmatively further fair housing (“AFFH”) in their grant agreements, and will receive GLO training and technical assistance in meeting their AFFH obligations. Additionally, all project applications will undergo AFFH review by GLO before approval. **Such review will include assessment of a proposed project’s area demography, socioeconomic characteristics, housing configuration and needs, educational, transportation, and health care opportunities, environmental hazards or concerns, and all other factors material to the AFFH determination. Applications should show that projects are likely to lessen area racial, ethnic, and low-income concentrations, and/or promote affordable housing in low-poverty, nonminority areas in response to natural hazard-related impacts.”**

Response to Buda comments:

There are a number of formulas/variables that could be developed to address allocation of funding among the various entities. The formula chosen reflects an assessment of both damages incurred within the jurisdictions and a factor to account for Low to Moderate Income populations. The count of LMI persons (reflective of population to some extent) was utilized rather than percentage of LMI. This is already representative of a “population” of LMI individuals within a jurisdiction. Factoring in total population for each jurisdiction would tend to skew funding results in favor of larger jurisdictions and not take into account the significant needs of smaller jurisdictions that may not have the tax base to otherwise support needed and necessary projects. This was demonstrated when the formula proposed by Buda was applied to the various jurisdictions and inequities were noted. In addition, the required 70% LMI expenditure set by HUD/GLO effectively ensures that the funding will be appropriately directed to address LMI needs. The “Fair Housing” advocates in their comments did not mention that they felt the Method of Distribution formula proposed to be problematic. Also, as already stated in the draft MOD and in the previous comment, all applications submitted to GLO will need to address demographic and other population and LMI characteristics to affirmatively further fair housing goals.

Similarly, damage costs incurred or assessed at the jurisdictional level would also tend to be representative of impacts to both the local population and the LMI population residing therein. This factor serves as a measure of impact to the community and funding allocated should be considered to be distributed equitably and proportionately based on the level of impact to address fairness. The percentage of funding allocated through the existing MOD formula as related to damages is proportionate to the costs already incurred or projected, whereas the proposed formula tends to skew allocations at the expense of smaller jurisdictions. Public Assistance funding from FEMA has addressed repairs of certain facilities to pre-existing flood conditions as a requirement of this type of assistance, and the CDBG-DR funding will serve to enhance/upgrade facilities and go beyond simply repairing existing damages, hence addressing the failure-to-function aspect.

Also, the reallocation of funding will increase the amount of funding directed to Buda.

Response to Wimberley/Dripping Springs comments:

Reallocation of funds returned to County to the various eligible entities.

Other Comments: Self explanatory

City, County or Eligible Entity	Initial Distribution										Second Distribution Factor: LMI Population Count					Meets GLO Required Threshold of \$100,000?	Proportional Distribution PWF x NHA	Non-Housing Allocation for Formulaic Distribution (NHA)	Proportional Weighted Factor (PWF) EWfct/Wfct	Weighted Factor Total (Wfct)	Entity Weighted Factor Total (EWfct)	Weighted Factor Total (Wfct)	Final Allocation (Sub-\$100,000 Rolled-Up Into Hays County)
	First Distribution Factor: Disaster Impact as Reflected by FEMA PA Total Projected Project Amount for DR4223 & DR4245 on 9/15/16										Maximum Factor 18835												
	Maximum Factor Measure: \$3,418,475.00										Factor Weight: 30												
	Factor Measure (FM)	Factor Measure Maximum (FMmax)	Weight (W)	Weighted Factor W(FM/FMmax)	Factor Measure (FM)	Factor Measure Maximum (FMmax)	Weight (W)	Weighted Factor W(FM/FMmax)	Factor Measure (FM)	Factor Measure Maximum (FMmax)	Weight (W)	Weighted Factor W(FM/FMmax)	Entity Weighted Factor Total (EWfct)	Weighted Factor Total (Wfct)	Proportional Weighted Factor (PWF) EWfct/Wfct								
Hays County Unincorporated	\$3,418,475.00	3418475.00	70	0.70	18835	18835	30	0.07963897	100	18835	18835	100	175.1275502	0.571012384	\$5,035,617.00	0.571012384	175.1275502	175.1275502	175.1275502	\$2,912,333.84			
Bear Creek Village	\$0.00	3418475.00	70	0.00	50	18835	30	0.07963897	0	18835	18835	0	0.000454748	0.000454748	\$5,035,617.00	0.000454748	175.1275502	175.1275502	175.1275502	\$0.00			
Buda	\$340,139.00	3418475.00	70	6.965015102	1640	18835	30	2.6121582	9.577173318	18835	18835	30	175.1275502	0.054686846	\$5,035,617.00	0.054686846	175.1275502	175.1275502	175.1275502	\$275,382.01			
Dripping Springs*	\$426,489.00	3418475.00	70	8.732001206	825	18835	30	3.3140043	10.0472421	18835	18835	30	175.1275502	0.057371009	\$5,035,617.00	0.057371009	175.1275502	175.1275502	175.1275502	\$289,998.43			
Hays City	\$0.00	3418475.00	70	0.00	70	18835	30	0.114946	0.11149458	18835	18835	30	175.1275502	0.000636648	\$5,035,617.00	0.000636648	175.1275502	175.1275502	175.1275502	\$0.00			
Kyle	\$1,451,975.00	3418475.00	70	29.73204426	7150	18835	30	11.388373	41.12041697	18835	18835	30	175.1275502	0.234802673	\$5,035,617.00	0.234802673	175.1275502	175.1275502	175.1275502	\$1,187,376.33			
Mountain City	\$0.00	3418475.00	70	0.00	55	18835	30	0.0876029	0.087602867	18835	18835	30	175.1275502	0.000500223	\$5,035,617.00	0.000500223	175.1275502	175.1275502	175.1275502	\$0.00			
Niederwald	\$0.00	3418475.00	70	0.00	170	18835	30	0.2707725	0.270772498	18835	18835	30	175.1275502	0.001546144	\$5,035,617.00	0.001546144	175.1275502	175.1275502	175.1275502	\$0.00			
Umland	\$252,054.00	3418475.00	70	5.161301458	635	18835	30	1.0114149	6.172716377	18835	18835	30	175.1275502	0.035246975	\$5,035,617.00	0.035246975	175.1275502	175.1275502	175.1275502	\$177,490.27			
Wimberley*	\$279,094.00	3418475.00	70	5.714996477	760	18835	30	1.2208123	6.925510991	18835	18835	30	175.1275502	0.039545525	\$5,035,617.00	0.039545525	175.1275502	175.1275502	175.1275502	\$199,136.23			
Woodcreek	\$6,724.00	3418475.00	70	0.137687127	375	18835	30	0.5972923	0.734979402	18835	18835	30	175.1275502	0.004196823	\$5,035,617.00	0.004196823	175.1275502	175.1275502	175.1275502	\$0.00			

City, County or Eligible Entity	Final Distribution										Second Distribution Factor: LMI Population Count					Proportional Distribution PWF x NHA	Non-Housing Allocation for Formulaic Distribution (NHA)	Proportional Weighted Factor (PWF) EWfct/Wfct	Weighted Factor Total (Wfct)	Entity Weighted Factor Total (EWfct)	Weighted Factor Total (Wfct)	Final Allocation (Sub-\$100,000 Rolled-Up Into Hays County)
	First Distribution Factor: Disaster Impact as Reflected by FEMA PA Total Projected Project Amount for DR4223 & DR4245 on 9/15/16										Maximum Factor 18835											
	Maximum Factor Measure: \$3,418,475.00										Factor Weight: 30											
	Factor Measure (FM)	Factor Measure Maximum (FMmax)	Weight (W)	Weighted Factor W(FM/FMmax)	Factor Measure (FM)	Factor Measure Maximum (FMmax)	Weight (W)	Weighted Factor W(FM/FMmax)	Factor Measure (FM)	Factor Measure Maximum (FMmax)	Weight (W)	Weighted Factor W(FM/FMmax)	Entity Weighted Factor Total (EWfct)	Weighted Factor Total (Wfct)	Proportional Weighted Factor (PWF) EWfct/Wfct							
Hays County Unincorporated	\$3,418,475.00	3418475.00	70	0.70	18835	18835	30	0.70	100	18835	18835	100	156.8703067	0.637469271	\$5,035,617.00	0.637469271	156.8703067	156.8703067	156.8703067	\$3,210,051.10		
Buda	\$340,139.00	3418475.00	70	6.965015102	1640	18835	30	2.6121582	9.577173318	18835	18835	30	156.8703067	0.061051537	\$5,035,617.00	0.061051537	156.8703067	156.8703067	156.8703067	\$307,432.16		
Kyle	\$1,451,975.00	3418475.00	70	29.73204426	7150	18835	30	11.388373	41.12041697	18835	18835	30	156.8703067	0.262130022	\$5,035,617.00	0.262130022	156.8703067	156.8703067	156.8703067	\$1,319,986.40		
Umland	\$252,054.00	3418475.00	70	5.161301458	635	18835	30	1.0114149	6.172716377	18835	18835	30	156.8703067	0.03934917	\$5,035,617.00	0.03934917	156.8703067	156.8703067	156.8703067	\$199,147.35		
									156.8703067			156.8703067		1.00							\$5,035,617.00	

*Allocations to Dripping Springs and Wimberley withdrawn per request

Housing Allocation - Initial	First Distribution Factor: FEMA Verified Loss		Second Distribution Factor: LMI Population			Entity Weighted Factor Total (EWfTot)	Weighted Factor Total (WfTot)	Proportional Weighted Factor (PWF)	Housing Allocation for Formulaic Distribution (HA)	Proportional Distribution (PWF x HA)	Meet GLO Required Threshold of \$500,000?	Allocation (Sub-\$500,000 Rolled Up into Hays County)
	Maximum Factor Measure: \$5,248,065.96		Maximum Factor: 18835									
	Factor Measure (FM)	Weight (W)	Factor Measure (FM)	Weight (W)	Weighted Factor (W*(FM/Fmax))							
Hays County Unincorporated	\$4,664,366.08	70	18,835	30	30	92.21446683	194.8163709	0.473340441	\$2,369,702.00	\$1,121,675.79	Yes	\$1,503,513.53
Bear Creek Village	\$0.00	70	50	30	0.079639	0.07963897	194.8163709	0.00040879	\$2,369,702.00	\$968.71	No	\$0.00
Buda	\$189,191.52	70	1,640	30	2.612158	5.135641438	194.8163709	0.026361447	\$2,369,702.00	\$62,468.77	No	\$0.00
Dripping Springs	\$4,837.32	70	825	30	1.314043	1.378564374	194.8163709	0.007076224	\$2,369,702.00	\$16,768.54	No	\$0.00
Hays City	\$0.00	70	70	30	0.111495	0.11494558	194.8163709	0.000572306	\$2,369,702.00	\$1,356.19	No	\$0.00
Kyle	\$813,373.58	70	7,150	30	11.38837	22.23735042	194.8163709	0.114145184	\$2,369,702.00	\$270,490.07	No	\$0.00
Mountain City	\$1,770.25	70	55	30	0.087603	0.11214899	194.8163709	0.00057087	\$2,369,702.00	\$1,352.79	No	\$0.00
Niederwald	\$3,554.31	70	170	30	0.270772	0.318180763	194.8163709	0.001633234	\$2,369,702.00	\$3,870.28	No	\$0.00
Umland	\$15,135.62	70	635	30	1.011415	1.213297557	194.8163709	0.006227903	\$2,369,702.00	\$14,758.28	No	\$0.00
Wimberley*	\$5,248,065.96	70	760	30	1.210512	71.21051234	194.8163709	0.365526326	\$2,369,702.00	\$866,188.47	Yes	\$0.00
Woodcreek	\$15,647.97	70	375	30	0.597292	0.806008764	194.8163709	0.004137274	\$2,369,702.00	\$9,804.11	No	\$0.00
						194.8163709		1.00	\$2,369,702.00	\$2,369,702.00		\$2,369,702.00

Final Housing Allocation	Total
Hays County Unincorporated	\$1,851,226
Wimberley*	\$518,476
Total	\$2,369,702

(based on requested allocation of \$518,476, with the remainder rolled into Hays County)

Hays County may serve as sponsor for housing projects in local jurisdictions

County: **Hays County**

Required	Non-Housing Required	\$	5,035,617 Required	Housing Required	\$	2,369,702 Required	Total Required	\$	7,405,319 Required
City, County or Public Housing Authority	Non-Housing	Percentage of County Non-Housing Allocation	Percentage of County Housing Allocation	Housing	Percentage of County Housing Allocation	Total Allocation	Percentage of Total Regional Allocation	70% Low-to-Moderate Income Benefit Requirement	
Hays County Unincorporated	\$3,210,051	63.75%	\$ 1,851,226	78.12%	\$5,061,277	68.35%	\$3,542,894		
Buda	\$307,432	6.11%	-	0.00%	\$307,432	4.15%	\$215,203		
Kyle	\$1,319,986	26.21%	-	0.00%	\$1,319,986	17.82%	\$923,990		
Umland	\$198,147	3.93%	-	0.00%	\$198,147	2.68%	\$136,703		
Wimberley	\$0	0.00%	\$ 518,476	21.88%	\$518,476	7.00%	\$362,933		
	\$5,035,617	100.00%	\$2,369,702	100.00%	\$7,405,319	100.00%	\$5,183,723		
	Non-Housing Percentage of Total Allocation:				Low-to-Moderate Income Benefit Requirement				
		68.00%	32.00%				70%	\$5,183,723	



in the Elliott Ranch Subdivision in Precinct 2, as authorized by Section 542.007 of the Texas Transportation Code. All present voting "Aye". MOTION PASSED

32099 ACTION TO CONSIDER COMMENTS RECEIVED ON THE PROPOSED METHOD OF DISTRIBUTION FOR 2015 FLOODS CDBG - DISASTER RECOVERY ALLOCATION FUNDING AND APPROVAL OF FINAL DOCUMENT FOR SUBMISSION TO THE TEXAS GENERAL LAND OFFICE FOR REVIEW

Grants Administrator Jeff Hauff spoke. The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), through Congressional appropriation, issued Community Development Block Grant - Disaster Recovery funding to Texas for Disaster Events DR-4223 and DR4245 occurring in 2015. The Texas General Land Office (GLO) was designated by the State as the agency to administer the funding to counties included in the disaster declarations. The GLO has charged the "most impacted" counties (Harris, Hays, Hidalgo and Travis) to develop a Method of Distribution (MOD) for funding distribution to eligible cities within - and including - the County based on objective scoring criteria. As the City of San Marcos received a direct Congressional allocation, it is not included in the Hays County MOD. Of the \$7,405,319 in funding allocated to Hays County, \$2,369,702 (32%) must be spent on Housing needs and \$5,035,617 will be allowed for Non-Housing or Infrastructure needs. Further, at least 70% of the funding (\$5,183,723.30) must be distributed to benefit Low to Moderate Income (LMI) households or on projects whose service areas contain at least 51% LMI individuals/households. Projects may include those generally accepted under the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program. The initial draft of the MOD was approved on November 15, 2016 by Commissioners Court action and posted with notice for a public hearing/ public comment on the Hays County website on November 16, with subsequent legal notice of the hearing also published in the San Marcos Record on November 22, 2016. A public hearing was held on December 6, 2016 during a regular meeting of the Commissioners Court with two comments received. The public comment period closed on December 7, 2016 at 5:00pm with several comments received. Upon consideration of comments received at the public hearing and those written comments received, any changes to the draft MOD will be considered and approved by the Commissioners Court and the document will be submitted for review and approval by the GLO. A motion was made by Commissioner Conley, seconded by Commissioner Ingalsbe to consider comments received on the proposed Method of Distribution for 2015 Floods CDBG - Disaster Recovery Allocation funding and approval of final document for submission to the Texas General Land Office for review. All present voting "Aye". MOTION PASSED

32100 AWARD WORK TO SELECT RESPONDENTS OF RFQ 2017-P01, RELATED TO THE HAYS COUNTY PUBLIC SAFETY BOND PROGRAM; TO AUTHORIZE GENERAL COUNSEL TO FINALIZE PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENTS WITH AWARDEES; AND TO AUTHORIZE THE COUNTY JUDGE TO EXECUTE SAID AGREEMENTS

Staff and consultants reviewed RFQ responses and have recommended the following firms for the corresponding work: - Doucet & Assoc.(Under SWCA) – Surveying;- Terracon - Geotechnical Engineering; - SWCA - Environmental Assessments; - Pape Dawson Engineers - Traffic Impact Analysis A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Conley to authorize General Counsel to finalize Professional Services Agreements with awardees; and to authorize the County Judge to execute said Agreements. All present voting "Aye". MOTION PASSED

32101 HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING RELATED TO THE ADJUSTED LEVY OF ASSESSMENTS IN THE LA CIMA PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT; POSSIBLE ACTION, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO THE ADOPTION OF THE LEVY OF ASSESSMENTS, MAY FOLLOW