CDBG-DR

Method of Distribution

May & October 2015 Floods

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RESOLUTION OF THE TRAVIS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT AUTHORIZING SUBMITTAL OF METHOD OF DISTRIBUTION FORM AND WORKSHEETS RELATED TO THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT DISASTER RECOVERY PROGRAM

STATE OF TEXAS §
§
COUNTY OF TRAVIS §

WHEREAS, in May and October 2015, Travis County experienced floods that were declared Presidential Disaster Areas; and

WHEREAS, as part of the declaration, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) will provide funds to the State of Texas, through the Texas General Land Office (GLO) to be distributed to flood-affected areas to facilitate long-term recovery in the form of Community Development Block Grant Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR) funds; and

WHEREAS, Travis County is one of the HUD-identified "most-impacted areas," along with Harris, Hays, and Hidalgo Counties; and

WHEREAS, GLO's guidelines for the method of distribution for the $5,531,166 in CDBG-DR funds requires Travis County to submit a resolution adopted by Travis County Commissioners Court authorizing submittal of the completed Method of Distribution form and worksheets related to the Community Development Block Grant Disaster Recovery Program.

NOW, THEREFORE, on November 8, 2016, the Travis County Commissioners Court

on a motion by _____, and seconded by _____, approve the submittal of Method of Distribution form and worksheets related to the Community Development Block Grant Disaster Recovery Program.

Voting in favor of the motion:

_____
Sarah Eckhardt, County Judge

_____
Ron Davis
Commissioner, Precinct 1

_____
Brigid Shea
Commissioner, Precinct 2

_____
Gerald Daugherty
Commissioner, Precinct 3

_____
Margaret Gómez
Commissioner, Precinct

Summary of the Method of Distribution for Community Development Block Grant Disaster Recovery Program

May and October 2015

The Texas General Land Office gave Travis County the task of developing a method of distribution for $5,531,116 of Community Development Block Grant – Disaster Recovery funds from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. The method of distribution will identify how much money will be allocated to eligible local government jurisdictions. Sixty-eight percent of the funds must be used for non-housing projects and 32% must be used for housing related projects.

The draft allocation for non-housing and housing projects is:

Summary of Draft Allocation	
Non-Housing	
Local Government	*Amount*
Travis County	$ 651,105.01
City of Austin	$3,110,053.99
Total	$3,761,159.00
Housing	
Local Government	*Amount*
Travis County	$ 874,419.00
City of Austin	$ 895,538.00
Total	$1,769,957.00

Travis County used data to help determine the formula to divide up the funds. The formula uses two different factors:

Non-Housing Formula

Factor 1: Non-Housing Damage Assessment (Weight 70): The total projected value of project applications submitted to FEMA for flood damage assistance. The amounts are a proxy indicator of non-housing damage by jurisdiction. This factor was weighted more heavily because it is tied directly to the areas most impacted by the two floods.

Factor 2: Number of Low/Moderate Income Individuals (Weight 30): The number of individuals within each jurisdiction who are low-to-moderate income as defined by the US Department of Housing and Urban Development. This factor was included because the funds are intended to benefit low-to-moderate income individuals. It was weighted less heavily than the damage assessment factor because the data was for the entire jurisdiction and is not directly tied to areas affected by the flood.

Housing Formula

Factor 1: FEMA Verified Loss (Weight 70): The total value of FEMA Verified Loss by jurisdiction based on aggregation by address using ArcGIS. This factor was weighted more heavily because it is tied directly to the areas most impacted by the two floods.

Factor 2: Number of Low/Moderate Income Individuals (Weight 30): The number of individuals within each jurisdiction who are low-to-moderate income as defined by the US Department of Housing and Urban Development. This factor was included because the funds are intended to benefit low-to-moderate income individuals. It was weighted less heavily than the damage assessment factor because the data was for the entire jurisdiction and is not directly tied to areas affected by the flood.

Additional Factors for both Housing & Non-Housing: The MOD recommends prioritization of projects that benefit low-to-moderate income areas over urgent need projects. The County will administer funds in any area outside the boundaries of the City of Austin, but within Travis County. Each jurisdiction will certify that they will affirmatively further fair housing ("AFFH").

For more detailed information, please review the full draft of the Method of Distribution.

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

Summary Information

Contact Information

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City, State, Zip:	**Austin, TX, 78767**

Allocation Summary

County Allocation for All Activities:	**$5,531,116**
Housing Activities Total:	**$1,769,957**
Non-Housing Activities Total:	**$3,761,159**

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:

The opportunity to participate was posted to the Travis County and City of Austin websites, on signs posted throughout some of the affected communities, postings at the Travis County Community Centers and City of Austin Neighborhood Centers, advertisements in newspapers of general circulation (English and Spanish), and through a variety of list serves and distribution to partner organizations.

Information on community needs related to long term recovery from the 2015 floods was gathered through a variety of mechanisms. The public and service providers had the opportunity to provide input on ongoing needs by attending a community meeting or completing a survey. In addition, the public and agencies could provide comments on the proposed Method of Distribution for the funds by attending a public hearing, and/or submitting comments during the public comment period.

A community meeting was held on October 11, 2016 at the Dove Springs Rec Center in Austin. All meeting materials were in English and Spanish and Spanish translators were available throughout the meeting. Participants were asked for input regarding ongoing community needs related to long term recovery from the 2015 floods. A total of 55 people attended the community meeting (52 residents and 3 representatives of agencies.)

The public comment period occured between 10/20/16-11/2/16 and a public hearing was held on 10/25/16 . For more information about Citizen Particiation, please refer to the Public Participation Appendix.

First Public Hearing Information

Date/Time: **10/25/16 9:00 am** Location: **Travis County Commissioner Courtroom, 700 Lavaca, Austin, TX, 78701**

Attendance: **4 people**

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
☒	Electronic Mail	**10/4/2016**	Sent email
☐	Fax		
☐	Hand Delivery		
☐	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
☒	County Website	**9/30/2016**	Email from Web Team

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
☒	***Austin American Statesman***	**10/03/2016**	Affidavit
☒	***Ahora Si***	**10/06/2016**	Affidavit

Citizen Comment Documentation

☒	The required copy of a sign-in sheet from the public hearing is attached.
☒	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.	**The public hearing document and a summary of the MOD was provided in Spanish. No one called requesting any accomodations, however, the County had Spanish speaking staff available at the public hearing. Two Spanish speaking residents came to the public hearing.**

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.

On average flooding causes more property damage in Travis County than any other weather related event. Over the last several years, certain areas of Travis County and the City of Austin have been affected by multiple flood events. In order to effectively distribute the funds to areas that were most impacted by the flooding events, and thereby support long term recovery, the Method of Distribution factors were designed using data that documented flood damage. The flood damage factor was more heavily weighted than the factor that documented Low/Moderate income population, because it was directly tied to areas most affected by the floods.

In addition to considering damage assessments as the main factor in the Method of Distribution, the City of Austin and Travis County have ongoing studies and/or investments to identify mitigation for future floods. Further, residents and service providers were asked to identify their priority needs for long term recovery to assist local jurisdictions in decision making around projects. Please review the Appendices "Long Term Planning and Recovery" and "Public Participation" for more detailed information.

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 Damage Assessment	**70**	**GLO Report DR 4223 and DR 4245 as of 7.22.16**	The total projected value of project applications submitted to FEMA for flood damage assistance. The amounts are a proxy indicator of non housing damage by jurisdiction. This factor was weighted more heavily because it is tied directly to the areas most impacted by the two floods.
Number of Low/Moderate Income Individuals	**30**	**FY2016 LMISD Data, 2006-2010 American Community Survey**	The number of individuals within each jurisdiction who are low to moderate income as defined by the US Department of Housing and Urban Development. This factor was included because the funds are intended to benefit low to moderate income individuals. It was weighted less heavily than the damage assessment factor because the data was for the entire jurisdiction and is not directly tied to areas affected by the flood.

*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 added a stipulation that projects must meet a regionally-established recovery priority.

The County has addressed prioritization of eligible activities as follows:

☒	The County has chosen not to limit Grantees in the region to projects meeting regional priority activities.		
	The MOD recommends prioritization of projects that benefit low/moderate income areas over urgent need projects.The County will administer funds in any area outside the boundaries of the City of Austin, but within Travis County.		
-OR-			
☐	The County has limited Grantees in the region to selecting projects meeting the following regional priority activities:		
☐	Water Facilities	☐	Specially Authorized Public Facilities & Improvements
☐	Sewer Facilities	☐	Public Services
☐	Other Public Utilities (gas, et al)	☐	Clearance & Demolition Activities
☐	Street Improvements	☐	Code Enforcement
☐	Flood and Drainage Improvements	☐	Specially Authorized Assistance to Private Utilities
☐	Debris Removal	☐	Economic Development
☐	Community Centers & Emergency Shelters (Existing)	☐	Planning and Urban Environmental Design
☐	Senior Centers	☐	Fire Protection Facilities and Equipment
☐	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**	**FIDA 24549_4223_4245_Unmet Needs_IHP Unmet Needs as of 10.5.16**	The total value of Fema Verified Loss by jurisdiction based on aggregation by address using ArcGIS. This factor was weighted more heavily because it is tied directly to the areas most impacted by the two floods.

Number of Low/Moderate Income Individuals	**30**	**FY2016 LMISD Data, 2006-2010 American Community Survey**	The number of individuals within each jurisdiction who are low to moderate income as defined by the US Department of Housing and Urban Development. This factor was included because the funds are intended to benefit low to moderate income individuals. It was weighted less heavily than the damage assessment factor because the data was for the entire jurisdiction and is not directly tied to areas affected by the flood.

*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:

☒	The County has chosen not to limit Grantees in the county to projects meeting regional priority activities. See additional prioritization criteria below:		
	The MOD recommends prioritization of projects that benefit low/moderate income areas over urgent need projects.The County will administer funds in any area outside the boundaries of the City of Austin, but within Travis County.		
-OR-			
☐	The County has limited Grantees in the region to selecting projects meeting the following regional priority activities:		
☐	Single-family repair and rehabilitation	☐	Multi-family repair and rehabilitation
☐	Single-family replacement	☐	Multi-family replacement
☐	Single-family elevation of homes in flood plains	☐	New Multi-family to replace multi-family stock
☐	Single family relocation from flood plains or identified environmental hazards	☐	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.

	11/8/2016
Signature	Date
Sarah Eckhardt	County Judge
Printed Name	Title
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Email Address	Telephone Number

Method of Distribution Allocation Summary

City, County or Housing Authority	FEMA Verified Loss				Low/Mod Population				Entity Weighted Factor Total (EWFtot)	Weighted Factor Total (WFtot)	Proportional Weighted Factor (PWF) EWFtot/WFtot	Housing Allocation for Formulaic Distribution (HA)	Proportional Distribution PWF x HA	Meets required $500,00 floor		Final Distribution
	Maximum Factor Measure:		$5,120,425		Maximum Factor		367515									
	Factor Weight:		70		Factor Weight:		30									
	Factor Measure (FM)	Factor Measure Maximum (FMmax)	Weight (W)	**Weighted Factor Wx(FM/FMmax)**	Factor Measure (FM)	Factor Measure Maximum (FMmax)	Weight (W)	**Weighted Factor Wx(FM/FMmax)**								
Unincorporated Travis County	$5,120,425	$5,120,425	70	**70**	99120	367515	30	**8.0910983**	78.091098	165.7392	0.471168538	$1,769,957	$833,948	Yes		$874,419
City of Austin	$3,939,686	$5,120,425	70	**53.8584278**	367515	367515	30	**30**	83.858428	165.7392	0.505966156	$1,769,957	$895,538	Yes		$895,538
Creedmoor	$37,374	$5,120,425	70	**0.51093643**	190	367515	30	**0.0155096**	0.526446	165.7392	0.003176352	$1,769,957	$5,622	No		$0
Lakeway	$15,627	$5,120,425	70	**0.21363472**	2235	367515	30	**0.1824415**	0.3960763	165.7392	0.002389756	$1,769,957	$4,230	No		$0
Manor	$50,717	$5,120,425	70	**0.69333747**	2260	367515	30	**0.1844823**	0.8778197	165.7392	0.005296392	$1,769,957	$9,374	No		$0
Mustang Ridge	$16,470	$5,120,425	70	**0.22516203**	550	367515	30	**0.0448961**	0.2700582	165.7392	0.001629416	$1,769,957	$2,884	No		$0
Pflugerville	$18,925	$5,120,425	70	**0.25871303**	13500	367515	30	**1.1019958**	1.3607089	165.7392	0.00820994	$1,769,957	$14,531	No		$0
Point Venture	$11,038	$5,120,425	70	**0.15089983**	230	367515	30	**0.0187747**	0.1696746	165.7392	0.001023744	$1,769,957	$1,812	No		$0
San Leanna	$10,493	$5,120,425	70	**0.14344216**	145	367515	30	**0.0118363**	0.1552784	165.7392	0.000936884	$1,769,957	$1,658	No		$0
West Lake Hills	$877	$5,120,425	70	**0.01198377**	265	367515	30	**0.0216318**	0.0336155	165.7392	0.000202822	$1,769,957	$359	No		$0
									165.7392		1.00		$1,769,957	Total amount for jurisdictions not meeting $500,000 floor	$40,471*	$1,769,957

*This amount is reallocated to Travis County, and the County will serve clients residing anywhere outside the boundaries of the City of

City, County or Eligible Entity	First Distribution Factor: Non-Housing Damage Assessment				Second Distribution Factor: Number of Low/Mod Individuals				Entity Weighted Factor Total (EWFtot)	Weighted Factor Total (WFtot)	Proportional Weighted Factor (PWF) EWFtot/WFtot	Non-Housing Allocation for Formulaic Distribution (NHA)	Proportional Distribution PWF x NHA
	Maximum Factor Measure:		7551301		Maximum Factor		367515						
	Factor Weight:		70		Factor Weight:		30						
	Factor Measure (FM)	Factor Measure Maximum (FMmax)	Weight (W)	**Weighted Factor Wx(FM/FMmax)**	Factor Measure (FM)	Factor Measure Maximum (FMmax)	Weight (W)	**Weighted Factor Wx(FM/FMmax)**					
Travis County	$1,385,598	7551301	70	**12.84439066**	99120	367515	30	**8.0910983**	20.93548898	120.935489	0.173112865	$3,761,159.00	$651,105.01
City of Austin	$7,551,301	7551301	70	**70**	367515	367515	30	**30**	100	120.935489	0.826887135	$3,761,159.00	$3,110,053.99
									120.935489		1.00		$3,761,159.00

County: **Travis County**

Required	Non-Housing	$ 3,761,159	Housing	$ 1,769,957	Total	$ 5,531,116	
	Required	*Required*	*Required*	*Required*	*Required*	*Required*	*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 Benefi Requirement
Travis County	$651,105	**17.31%**	$ 874,419	**49.40%**	$1,525,524	27.58%	$1,067,867
City of Austin	$3,110,054	**82.69%**	$ 895,538.34	**50.60%**	$4,005,592	72.42%	$2,803,915
	$3,761,159	**100.00%**	**$1,769,957**	**100.00%**	**$5,531,116**	**100.00%**	**$3,871,781**
	Non-Housing Percentage of Total Allocation:	**68.00%**	**32.00%**		**Low-to-Moderate Income Benefit Requirement**	**70%**	**$3,871,781**

APPENDIX A: METHODOLOGY

Methodology

Census Blocks in Unincorporated Travis County

Non-Housing Damage Summary Table

Housing Damage Summary Table

METHODOLOGY

The Process

A planning meeting was held with staff from relevant departments in Travis County and the City of Austin to discuss available data and proposed factors for the MOD. Staff from Travis County Health and Human Services & Veterans Services Department (HHS/VS) created a draft Method of Distribution (MOD) using a template supplied by the Texas General Land Office (GLO) utilizing data provided by the GLO and available for download from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD.) All jurisdictions within Travis County were alerted by email that the MOD was being developed and asked to submit any additional verifiable damage reports to County staff. No additional reports were received. After development, the draft MOD was distributed to the Travis County and COA workgroup members for comment. The MOD was then presented at Travis County Commissioners Court and posted for public comment from October 20-November 2, 2016.

Jurisdictions

All jurisdictions with documented damage (as determined by data provided by GLO) were included in the MOD. The guidance provided by GLO specified that all Non-Housing funding must meet a $100,000 floor and all Housing funding must meet a $500,000 floor to ensure project feasibility. Eight small jurisdictions included in the MOD did not meet the $500,000 housing floor, totaling $40,471 combined in housing funding. This amount was reallocated to Travis County, and the County may serve clients residing anywhere outside the boundaries of the City of Austin.

Unincorporated Area of Travis County

Several datasets were utilized in the MOD. Various datasets were organized by zip code or by Census block group. Data organized in these ways do not allow for a simple sorting of data that can isolate the unincorporated areas of Travis County, as jurisdictional boundaries do not correlate with either of these groupings. Because the MOD was assessing all jurisdictions within the county (including unincorporated Travis County) it was necessary for staff to first determine a way to isolate data for unincorporated Travis County. The following steps were taken:

- All Travis County block groups and jurisdictional boundaries were mapped using ArcGIS.
- ArcGIS was used to select all block groups that were fully or partially in unincorporated areas.
- A visual assessment was done of block groups that were partially in the unincorporated areas
- If the visual assessment indicated ¾ of geography was outside boundaries of any jurisdiction it was included in the unincorporated area.
- For block groups that had less than ¾ of geography outside of jurisdictional boundaries, a land use layer was added to the map to assess where development is concentrated by block groups.

A visual assessment was done and block groups were included if at least a third of population appeared to be in unincorporated areas.

Data organized by Census block groups was aggregated using the unincorporated area block groups. For a complete list of the unincorporated block groups refer to Attachment 1.

Non-Housing Factors

The following datasets were used to determine the factors for the Non-Housing MOD:

- "GLO Report DR 4223 and DR 4245 as of 7.22.16", provided by GLO staff via email on September 21, 2016.

  This dataset includes the total projected value of non-housing project applications submitted to FEMA for flood damage assistance, by jurisdiction. The total project value was used as the proxy to indicate total damage in each jurisdiction.

  The project list included City of Austin, Travis County, Austin ISD, Austin Community College (ACC), Del Valle ISD and Creedmoor-Maha Water. Of those, only Travis County and City of Austin are jurisdictions eligible to receive funds. Therefore staff assigned the value of the ISD and ACC projects to each of these jurisdictions. The value of the Austin ISD and ACC projects was assigned to the City of Austin. Both Del Valle ISD and Creedmoor-Maha Water Corporation cross multiple jurisdictional boundaries. Staff contacted each entity to determine the location of the projects. Based on this information, staff split the value of the Del Valle ISD project by 5/6th to the City of Austin and 1/6th to Travis County. The total value of the Creedmoor-Maha Water Corporation project was allocated to Travis County. For a table summarizing the Non-Housing Damage, refer to Attachment 2.

The Non-Housing Damage factor was weighted 70 in the MOD because it is tied directly to the areas most impacted by the two floods.

- "FY2016 LMISD Data, 2006-2010 American Community Survey", downloaded from https://www.hudexchange.info/manage-a-program/acs-low-mod-summary-data-block-groups-places/ on October 5, 2016.

This dataset includes the number of individuals within each jurisdiction who are low to moderate income as defined by the US Department of Housing and Urban Development. The data was sorted by block group and by jurisdiction.

The Low/Moderate Income Population factor weighted 30, less heavily than the damage assessment because the data was for the entire jurisdiction and is not directly tied to areas affected by the flood.

Housing Factors

The following datasets were used to determine the factors for the Housing MOD:

- "FIDA 24549_4223_4245_Unmet Needs_IHP Unmet Needs as of 10.5.16", provided by GLO staff via email on September 21, 2016.

This dataset includes the total value of FEMA Verified Loss by address. This factor was used to assess Housing Damage by jurisdiction.

Staff mapped the FEMA data in ArcGIS, the data was then clipped to the full purpose jurisdictional boundaries based on GIS data from the City of Austin's GIS/Map Downloads webpage (ftp://ftp.ci.austin.tx.us/GIS-Data/Regional/coa_gis.html). The data was then exported to Excel and sorted by jurisdiction. Any addresses that fell outside any of the full purpose jurisdictional boundaries were considered to be in the unincorporated area of the County. Note that any addresses that fell outside the Travis County boundaries were not included in any of the counts.

The Housing Damage factor was weighted 70 in the MOD because it is tied directly to the areas most impacted by the two floods. For a table summarizing the Housing Damage, refer to Attachment 2.

- FY2016 LMISD Data, 2006-2010 American Community Survey", downloaded from https://www.hudexchange.info/manage-a-program/acs-low-mod-summary-data-block-groups-places/ on October 5, 2016.

This dataset includes the number of individuals within each jurisdiction who are low to moderate income as defined by the US Department of Housing and Urban Development. The data was sorted by block group and by jurisdiction.

The Low/Moderate Income Population factor weighted 30, less heavily than the damage assessment because the data was for the entire jurisdiction and is not directly tied to areas affected by the flood.

Additional Factors for both Housing & Non-Housing

The MOD recommends prioritization of projects that benefit low/moderate income areas over urgent need projects. The County will administer funds in any area outside the boundaries of the City of Austin, but within Travis County.

Attachment 1

Census Block Groups in Unincorporated Travis County		
Block Group 2 Census Tract 17.64	Block Group 2 Census Tract 18.59	Block Group 1 Census Tract 18.53
Block Group 1 Census Tract 17.65	Block Group 2 Census Tract 19.12	Block Group 2 Census Tract 18.53
Block Group 2 Census Tract 17.66	Block Group 1 Census Tract 24.33	Block Group 1 Census Tract 18.54
Block Group 2 Census Tract 17.69	Block Group 1 Census Tract 24.35	Block Group 3 Census Tract 18.54
Block Group 1 Census Tract 17.75	Block Group 1 Census Tract 17.33	Block Group 1 Census Tract 18.58
Block Group 2 Census Tract 17.80	Block Group 2 Census Tract 17.33	Block Group 1 Census Tract 18.59
Block Group 1 Census Tract 18.40	Block Group 1 Census Tract 17.41	Block Group 1 Census Tract 18.63
Block Group 1 Census Tract 18.42	Block Group 2 Census Tract 17.41	Block Group 2 Census Tract 18.63
Block Group 4 Census Tract 18.51	Block Group 1 Census Tract 17.42	Block Group 2 Census Tract 18.64
Block Group 2 Census Tract 18.54	Block Group 1 Census Tract 17.61	Block Group 1 Census Tract 19.08
Block Group 1 Census Tract 18.56	Block Group 1 Census Tract 17.64	Block Group 1 Census Tract 19.12
Block Group 1 Census Tract 18.57	Block Group 1 Census Tract 17.66	Block Group 2 Census Tract 19.13
Block Group 5 Census Tract 18.58	Block Group 1 Census Tract 17.68	Block Group 1 Census Tract 19.16
Block Group 1 Census Tract 18.64	Block Group 2 Census Tract 17.68	Block Group 2 Census Tract 19.16
Block Group 2 Census Tract 19.10	Block Group 1 Census Tract 17.72	Block Group 1 Census Tract 22.07
Block Group 1 Census Tract 19.13	Block Group 1 Census Tract 17.74	Block Group 2 Census Tract 22.07
Block Group 3 Census Tract 22.02	Block Group 2 Census Tract 17.75	Block Group 2 Census Tract 22.09
Block Group 5 Census Tract 22.08	Block Group 1 Census Tract 17.83	Block Group 3 Census Tract 22.09
Block Group 1 Census Tract 24.07	Block Group 2 Census Tract 17.83	Block Group 1 Census Tract 22.10
Block Group 2 Census Tract 24.21	Block Group 2 Census Tract 17.84	Block Group 2 Census Tract 22.10
Block Group 2 Census Tract 24.28	Block Group 1 Census Tract 17.85	Block Group 1 Census Tract 22.11
Block Group 2 Census Tract 24.32	Block Group 3 Census Tract 18.40	Block Group 2 Census Tract 23.10
Block Group 1 Census Tract 24.34	Block Group 1 Census Tract 18.41	Block Group 1 Census Tract 23.19
Block Group 1 Census Tract 24.36	Block Group 2 Census Tract 18.41	Block Group 2 Census Tract 24.07
Block Group 2 Census Tract 17.60	Block Group 1 Census Tract 18.51	Block Group 1 Census Tract 24.29
Block Group 2 Census Tract 17.61	Block Group 2 Census Tract 18.51	Block Group 1 Census Tract 24.32
Block Group 3 Census Tract 18.55	Block Group 3 Census Tract 18.51	Block Group 2 Census Tract 24.35

Attachment 2

Non Housing Damage	
Applicant Name	**Projected Project Amount**
AUSTIN	$3,283,734
AUSTIN	$2,596,240
AUSTIN COMMUNITY COLLEGE	$44,939
AUSTIN INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DIST	$918,046
5/6 DEL VALLE ISD	$708,342
Total Austin	**$7,551,301**
CREEDMOOR-MAHA WATER CORP	$528,799
TRAVIS (COUNTY)	$158,462
TRAVIS (COUNTY)	$556,669
1/6 DEL VALLE ISD	$141,668
Total Travis County	**$1,385,598**

DEL VALLE SCHOOL DISTRICT	$850,010

Housing Damage	
Jurisdiction	**FEMA Verified Loss Amount**
City of Austin Full Purpose	$ 3,939,686.04
Full Purpose Outside COA	$ 161,520.83
Point Venture	*$ 11,038.16*
Lakeway	*$ 15,627.15*
West Lake Hills	*$ 876.60*
San Leanna	*$ 10,492.64*
Creedmoor	*$ 37,374.45*
Mustang Ridge	*$ 16,470.36*
Manor	*$ 50,716.89*
Pflugerville	*$ 18,924.58*
Outside Any Full Purpose Jurisdiction	$ 5,120,424.68
Total	**$ 9,221,631.55**

Bastrop County	$ 70,837.02 *
Totals per FEMA table	**$ 9,292,468.57***

***Note that this total includes the 8 properties in Bastrop County, which are not counted in the Total above.**

Appendix B: Long Term Recovery and Planning

Long Term Recovery and Planning

On average flooding causes more property damage in Travis County than any other weather related event. Over the last several years, certain areas of Travis County and the City of Austin have been affected by multiple flood events. In order to effectively distribute the funds to areas that were most impacted by the flooding events, and thereby support long term recovery, the Method of Distribution factors were designed using data that documented flood damage. The flood damage factor was more heavily weighted than the factor that documented Low/Moderate income population, because it was directly tied to areas most affected by the floods.

In addition to considering damage assessments as the main factor in the Method of Distribution, the City of Austin and Travis County have ongoing studies and/or investments to identify mitigation for future floods. Further, residents and service providers were asked to identify their priority needs for long term recovery to assist local jurisdictions in decision making around projects. Please review the Appendices "Long Term Recovery and Planning" and "Summary of Public Participation" for more detailed information.

Both the County and the City of Austin have ongoing flood studies in place that will assist in determining what projects would best support recovery and inform long term planning.

Travis County Flood Studies

After the devastating floods in October 2013 and October 2015, Travis County began a post flood event analysis and mitigation study for specific areas of interest on Dry Creek East and Onion and Bear Creeks. Areas of interest include Thoroughbred Farms on the South Fork of Dry Creek East, Arroyo Doble on the Bear and Onion Creek Watersheds, Onion Creek Meadows on Onion Creek, Twin Creeks Subdivision on Onion Creek and the Bluff Springs Road area on Onion Creek. The contract was awarded to Halff and Associates in late June 2016 and the study is scheduled to be completed in September 2017. The study will evaluate the October 2015 flood event in the Arroyo Doble and Thoroughbred Farms subdivisions to determine root causes where possible. In addition it will evaluate cost effective mitigation alternative for the 1% flood in all areas of interest. The study will also develop a cost/benefit method for the County that may be useful in undertaking similar analysis in other parts of the County. Because of the devastating May 2016 flooding in the Thoroughbred Frames, the County asked Halff to begin their investigation in that neighborhood. With the assistance of Halff, the County held one community meeting with the Thoroughbred Farms neighborhood in order to collect information from the residence.

There is currently no detailed flood study of Maha Creek in Precinct 4. In Fiscal Year 2017, Travis County will undertake a detailed flood study of the 1% event on Maha Creek and evaluating cost-effective preventive and mitigation measures that would reduce the risk of flood to the citizens who live and work along it's banks.

City of Austin Floodplain Studies
http://www.austintexas.gov/floodplainchanges

Floodplain maps help identify where flooding is likely to occur and help prepare for and communicate the risks of flooding. They are also used to regulate development and for flood insurance purposes. The following studies are currently underway or planned:

- A study of the Onion Creek floodplain is underway.
- A study of the Lake and Rattan Creek floodplains is underway by the Upper Brushy Creek Water Control and Improvement District
- A study of the Eanes Creek floodplain will be initiated in 2016.

City of Austin Creek Flooding Projects
http://www.austintexas.gov/department/creek-flooding
Austin has numerous creeks throughout town. All are subject to flash flooding. The creek flooding program undertakes projects to protect lives and reduce property damage when these creeks overflow their banks.

This program plans and constructs many different types of projects, including:

- Detention ponds
- Improvements to low water crossings
- Flood walls
- Channel widening
- Buyouts of homes most at risk of flooding, which is often the most cost-effective solution to flooding.

Hazard Mitigation Plans
In addition to flood specific planning, both Travis County and the City of Austin have Hazard Mitigation Plans in place.

- Travis County Hazard Mitigation
  https://www.traviscountytx.gov/images/emergency_services/docs/hazard_mitigation.pdf

- City of Austin Hazard Mitigation Plan
  http://austintexas.gov/sites/default/files/files/hsem/Public_Copy_Austin_Hazard_Mitigation_Plan_Update_07-28-2016.pdf#overlay-context=hsem

APPENDIX C: PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Participation Summary

Advertisements

Needs Assessment Survey Tools

Public Hearing Sign In Sheet

Summary Of Public Participation

Information on community needs related to long term recovery from the 2015 floods was gathered through a variety of mechanisms. The public and service providers had the opportunity to provide input on ongoing needs by attending a community meeting or completing a survey. In addition, the public and agencies could provide comments on the proposed Method of Distribution (MOD) for the funds by attending a public hearing, and/or submitting comments during the public comment period.

Community Meeting

A community meeting was held on October 11, 2016 at the Dove Springs Rec Center in Austin. All meeting materials were in English and Spanish and Spanish translators were available throughout the meeting. Participants were asked for input regarding ongoing community needs related to long term recovery from the 2015 floods. A total of 55 people attended the community meeting (52 residents and 3 representatives of agencies.)

Surveys

Surveys collecting information on community needs were available online or by postal mail from October 3-October 11, 2016 and were offered in English and Spanish. Separate surveys were available for residents and agencies. Written surveys were available at the Travis County community centers and upon request, for those without access to a computer or the internet. CDBG staff also completed surveys via the telephone for several residents that were unable to attend the community meeting. A total of 34 surveys were completed.

Public Hearing

One public hearing will be held at Travis County Commissioners' Court during the normally scheduled voting session on October 18, 2016 at 700 Lavaca. This public hearing will be held in the traditional public hearing format with oral testimony. Any comments received will be added to the final draft of this document.

Advertising

The information about opportunities to participate were posted to the Travis County and City of Austin websites, on signs posted throughout affected communities, postings at the Travis County community centers, advertisements in newspapers of general circulation (English and Spanish), and through a variety of list serves and distribution to partner organizations.

Detailed Results of Participation Process

A total of 55 people attended a community meeting on October 11, 2016. To assist in determining the spending priorities for the grant, attendees were asked to rank three categories as "most urgent," "urgent," or "important" activities that would support long term recovery from the May and/or October 2015 floods. In addition attendees had the opportunity to identify what project types within these categories would help with long term recovery.

In addition, an external agency sent a notice informing over 400 community members of the CDBG-DR funds. In response the CDBG office received a high volume of calls and collected information on projects and priorities.

The same information was collected via the survey, either submitted online or over the phone with CDBG staff. A total of 34 surveys were completed, 23 by residents and 11 by representatives of local governments and service providers.

The table below shows the detailed results of the prioritization of categories based on responses collected at the community meeting and via survey. The rankings by residents and service providers were similar, with both listing "Infrastructure: Drainage," "Housing" and "Infrastructure: Roads/Water/Debris" as the top three priorities, by wide margins. The remaining categories, which include "Demolition and Code Enforcement," "Economic Development," and "Infrastructure: Communication" received significantly fewer votes from both groups.

Prioritization of Categories		
	Residents	**Local Government and Service Providers**
Service Category	**Ranking**	**Ranking**
Infrastructure: Drainage	1	2
Housing	2	1
Infrastructure: Roads/Water/Debris	3	3
Demolition and Code Enforcement	4	4 (tie)
Economic Development	5	5
Infrastructure: Communication	6	4 (tie)

A full list showing the number of residents and local government/service providers that indicated which project types were needed for flood recovery is provided in the table below. More than half of the residents indicated that the following project types were still needed for recovery: buyout of affected housing, drainage, and removal of debris.

Project Types to Assist with Long Term Recovery		
	Number of Respondents Indicating Need for Activity	
	Residents	Local Government/ Service Providers
Buyout of affected housing	52	6
Drainage	46	3
Removal of Debris	40	4
Streets and bridges	29	6
Single Family Home Repair	26	5
Water and Sewer Facility Improvements	24	3
Elevation of Housing	23	4
Reconstruction or Replacement of affected housing	20	4
Hazard Mitigation	19	5
Communication Infrastructure	13	0
Multi-Family Home Repair	12	4
Other infrastructure needs	12	3
Construction of new housing	10	4
Demolition	10	3
Code enforcement	8	4
Micro-Enterprise Loans	6	2
Small Business Assistance	6	4
Other activities associated with the recovery of housing stock impacted by 2015 floods	4	7
Commercial Rehabilitation	4	1
Other economic development activities	2	4

Public Comment to Solicit Feedback on the MOD

The draft Method of Distribution (MOD) was posted for written comment for fourteen days, from October 20-November 2, 2016. Comments were accepted in writing via email or regular mail to the Travis County Health and Human Services and Veterans' Service CDBG staff. The draft MOD was posted on the Travis County website and copies were located at the seven Travis County Community Centers for public review. During the comment period, one public hearing was held to inform and enable the community to comment. The public hearing was held at the Travis County Commissioners'

Court during the normally scheduled voting session in the traditional public hearing format with oral testimony.

Location of Hearings	Date/ Time
Travis County Commissioners Court, 700 Lavaca	October 25, 2016 9:00a.m.

Summary of Public Comments Received during Public Comment Period

Public Hearing

Four people attended the public hearing on October 25, 2016. Two were English speaking and two were Spanish speaking. Of the four attendees, three had attended the community meeting on October 11, 2016. The one person who was not able to attend the community meeting completed the participation form so more detailed feedback about priorities and project preferences could be included. None of the attendees were comfortable speaking on camera at Commissioners Court so the County Judge tabled the public hearing so CDBG staff could meet off camera with the attendees and report back their comments.

- Two attendees were from the Arroyo Doble neighborhood. They attended the hearing to better understand how the money was being split. The attendees also wanted to know who owned ROW in their neighborhood to address debris removal and standing water breeding mosquitos. They stated the health department had tested the mosquitos and came back positive for West Nile.

Response: CDBG staff will look up who owns the ROW along the rail road and near the creek and provide information on who to contact about getting the debris and standing water better managed. Further, CDBG staff will contact our public health liaison in the HHS/VS Department to determine if there are any possible steps to be taken by the owner of the property where there is standing water.

- The other two attendees were Spanish speaking from the Del Valle area, and they spoke with a Spanish speaking CDBG staff person. Their concerns centered around their need for immediate home repair, and their interest in buy-outs happening across the street, but not for them. Additionally, they stated that sometimes as non-English speakers it feels as if services are not as accessible.

Response: CDBG staff will look up their addresses to determine if they reside in unincorporated Travis County or the City of Austin. If they live in the City of Austin, we will identify contact information so they may discuss buy-out with a City of Austin representative. If they live in unincorporated Travis County, buy-out has not been identified as a project at this point in time. More information about the current CDBG home repair program may be provided if the attendee's addresses are outside the 100 year floodplain, but it may make them ineligible for

buyout. CDBG staff provided both attendees the CDBG contact information if they had any further questions and to get updates.

TNR and CDBG staff have provided Spanish speaking staff to deal with a variety of issues related to the flood to date including the community meeting and public hearing related to this Method of Distribution. Travis County will continue to be sensitive to the needs of speakers of languages other than English as we move through this process.

Other Comments Received
Two comments were received via email during the comment period. A summary of the comments and responses provided is below. The full transcript of the emails follows.

- One comment was received from a resident of the Walnut Creek Place neighborhood. The resident described ongoing flood related damage in the Walnut Creek Place neighborhood, including erosion and landslides, and the need for improved drainage and other mitigation efforts.

  Response: CDBG staff forwarded the comments to appropriate TNR staff for their information. The following response was provided via email on 11/3/16.

  Thank you for your email. I passed your comments along to the appropriate person at our Transportation and Natural Resources Department. We will include your comments in the Method of Distribution (MOD) document. The specific use of funds by each jurisdiction is not known at this time so the specific uses or location of the projects are not under public comment. We will make sure the decision makers know of your interest while they work on specific project ideas once the State approves the MOD.

- One comment was received from the nonprofit Business and Community Lenders of Texas. The comment offered two suggestions for potential uses for the housing funds: the creation of a loan fund for flood affected low and moderate income households, and/or to utilize the funds to relocate flood affected families and develop affordable housing.

  Response: The following response was provided via email on 11/3/16.

  Thank you for your email. We will include your comments in the Method of Distribution (MOD) document. The specific use of funds by each jurisdiction is not known at this time so the specific uses are not under public comment. We will make sure the City of Austin and Travis County decision makers know of your interest while they work on specific project ideas once the State approves the MOD. We purposefully did not restrict project types so the most appropriate use of funding is available. Please note the Housing project types must use the State's housing program guidelines so all types of housing project types might not work for jurisdictions given restrictions the State has put on them.

Full Transcript of Comments Received

- *November 2, 2016 via email from resident. Resident Contact information removed.*

I live in Walnut Place. Walnut Creek runs thru my back yard.
Walnut Place is a small (maybe 130 homes) older neighborhood that was developed in piecemeal from subdivided farmland in the late 1950's 1960's and early 1970's.

No proper or adequate storm water drainage has ever existed here.

The combination of storm water runoff from the whole neighborhood with the flooding of Walnut Creek is a disaster with every rain event.

My property, as well as both my neighbors continues to erode and has suffered land slide erosion into Walnut Creek.

I no longer have a pathway access to the lower portion of my property after the October /Halloween disaster flooding that also flooded several homes here.

The landslides continue to erode and undermine my property. A drainage system is greatly needed, but accessing the area with equipment and materials is not possible from my side of the creek and landslide.

Back in maybe 2007, Travis County bought out and tore down 6 homes on Quiette Drive. Behind my house, in walnut creek, they also constructed a rock gabion wall at the bottom edge of the bank. They never came back to review or complete the work they had planned to do. There was plans to add additional rows of gabion and to go higher with the wall. There was also plans to construct more gabions further downstream that were never done.

The rock gabion wall does not go high enough and does not contain floodwaters. With the uncontrolled drainage of the neighborhood from above and the rising floodwaters of the creek below, it spells disaster and landslide in between.

I hope this disaster relief funding can properly address these issues. The landslide damage is more than I or any of my neighbors can afford to fix. Plus we don't have access from our side of the landslide/creek to employ heavy equipment . It would require help from Travis County to undertake such a project.

Thank you.

- *November 2, 2016 via email from Business and Community Lenders of Texas*

To whom it may concern:

I am writing on behalf of local economic & community development organization, BCL of Texas, to submit public comment for the method of distribution for the $5.5 million Disaster Recovery Funding announced on October 20th, specifically the funds to be allocated for *housing* in Travis County.

Many of the residents affected by the 2015 floods reside in Travis County Precinct 4. BCL has two suggestions for the method of distribution for the disaster recover funding: 1.) creation of a loan fund for flood affected low and moderate income households, and/or 2.) utilize the funds to relocate flood affected families and develop affordable housing.

1.) The funds could be used for the creation of a loan for low and moderate income households affected by the flood. That loan fund would be used to provide down payment assistance for the purchase of a new home and would be forgiven over time. This could be used in conjunction with the Travis County Housing Finance Corporation's down payment assistance programs and other sources. For example, if the funding allocated for Travis County Housing is distributed to give each participating household $20,000 in down payment assistance, the funds could potentially help over 40 households find new housing outside of the flood affected areas.
2.) The funds could also be used for nonprofit developers to work with Travis County to identify, acquire, and develop county owned land for affordable housing to relocate LMI households affected by the 2015 floods. Homes can be kept affordable by using a modular housing product.

We have copied Andrea Shields and Commissioner Gomez with Travis County because BCL has previously met with them to discuss disaster relief in the county, which is an issue very important to us.

Thank you for your consideration.

INVITATION TO PROVIDE INPUT AND COMMENT ON THE METHOD OF DISTRIBUTION FOR DISASTER RECOVERY FUNDS

Notice is hereby given that Travis County is seeking input on the **method of distribution for $5,531,116**, a Regional Allocation, 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 dollars are for long term recovery needs related to the **May and October 2015 floods**.

COMMUNITY MEETING: A meeting will be held on **October 11, 2016 at 6:30 pm** at the **Dove Springs Recreation Center Gym (5801 Ainez Drive, Austin, TX, 78744)**, to collect input on the housing and community development needs remaining from the 2015 floods. The Community Meeting will be conducted in English and Spanish. Requests from persons needing other language interpretation or special accommodations should be received by Travis County CDBG staff 5 days prior to the event. Please call 512-854-3460 to request assistance.

PARTICIPATION FORM: From October 3rd to 11th, if you cannot attend the community meeting, you can provide input by filling out a Participation Form that can be accessed through the Travis County Website at www.traviscountytx.gov/cdbg or at one of the seven Travis County Community Centers (listed below), or by requesting that it be mailed to you by calling 512-854-3460. All paper forms must be received no later than October 12, 2016.

COMMENT PERIOD AND DRAFT DOCUMENT: Comments will be accepted for 14 days beginning **Thursday, October 20, 2016 at 8:00 a.m.** and ending **Wednesday, November 2, 2016 at 5:00 p.m**. **Beginning October 20, 2016**, a draft of the proposed Method of Distribution will be available for download on the Travis County CDBG webpage at www.traviscountytx.gov or available for review at any of the seven Travis County Community Centers (listed below). Additionally, it will be available at www.austintexas.gov.

Travis County Community Center at Del Valle	3518 FM 973, Del Valle, TX 78617
Travis County Community Center at Pflugerville	15822 Foothills Farm Loop, Bldg. D, Pflugerville, TX 78660
Travis County Community Center at Oak Hill	8656-A Hwy 71 W., Suite A, Austin, TX 78735
Travis County Community Center at Jonestown	18649 FM 1431, Jonestown, TX 78645
Travis County Community Center at Manor	600 W. Carrie Manor, Manor, TX 78653
Travis County Community Center at Palm Square	100 N. IH-35, Suite 1000, Austin, TX 78701
Travis County Community Center at Post Road	2201 Post Road, Suite 101, Austin, TX 78704

PUBLIC HEARING: The public can provide comments by attending the Public Hearing scheduled for **Tuesday, October 25, 2016 at 9:00 AM** at Travis County, Commissioners Courtroom, 700 Lavaca, Austin, TX, 78701. The meeting will be conducted in English. Requests from persons needing language interpretation or special accommodations should be received by Travis County CDBG staff 5 days prior. Please call 512-854-3460 to request assistance.

MAILING YOUR COMMENTS: The public can also mail their comments to: CDBG Program, Travis County, HHSVS, P.O. Box 1748, Austin, TX 78767, or e-mail them to the CDBG program at cdbg@traviscountytx.gov. Comments must be received by **5:00 pm on Wednesday, November 2, 2016**.

REASONABLE ACCOMMODATIONS: Travis 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 512-854-3460 to request assistance.

INVITACIÓN PARA PROVEER COMENTARIOS SOBRE EL MÉTODO DE DISTRIBUCIÓN PARA LOS FONDOS DE RECUPERACIÓN DE DESASTRE

Se hace constar que el Condado de Travis busca la opinión del público acerca del **método de distribución para $5,531,116,** una asignación regional en Fondos de Recuperación de Desastre del Programa de Subsidio Globales para el Desarrollo Comunitario ofrecido por la Oficina General de Tierras de Tejas através del Departamento de Vivienda y Desarrollo Urbano de los EE. UU. Estos fondos son para necesidades de recuperación a largo plazo relacionadas a las **inundaciones que ocurrieron en mayo y octobre del 2015**.

REUNIÓN DE LA COMUNIDAD: Se llevará acabo una reunión el **11 de octubre de 2016 a las 6:30 pm** en el **Dove Springs Recreation Center Gym (5801 Ainez Drive, Austin, TX, 78744)**, para recibir comentarios acerca de las necesidades de desarrollo comunitario y de vivienda restantes de las inundaciones que ocurrieron en 2015. La Reunión de la Comunidad será conducida en inglés y en español. Peticiones para personas que necesitan interpretación en otro lenguaje o que necesitan adaptaciones especiales deben ser recibidas por personal del programa CDBG del Condado de Travis 5 días antes del evento. Favor de llamar al 512-854-3460 para pedir asistencia.

FORMULARIO DE PARTICIPACIÓN: Si no puede asistir a la reunión de la comunidad**, desde el 3 al 11 de octubre** usted puede proveer comentarios através del Formulario de Participación el cual estará acesible através del sitio web del Condado de Travis en www.traviscountytx.gov/cdbg, o en uno de los siete Centros Comunitarios del Condado de Travis (enumerados a continuación), o puede pedir que se les envía uno por correo llamando al 512-854-3460. Todos los formularios deben ser recibidos no más tarde del 12 de octubre de 2016.

PERÍODO PARA COMENTARIOS Y EL BORRADOR: Comentarios serán aceptados por 14 días comenzando el **jueves, 20 de octubre de 2016 a las 8:00 a.m.** y terminando el **miércoles 2 de noviembre de 2016 a las 5:00 p.m**. **A partir del 20 de octubre de 2016**, un borrador del Método of Distribución propuesto estará disponible para descargar en el sitio web del programa CDBG del Condado de Travis en www.traviscountytx.gov, o se podrá revisar en uno de los siete Centros Comunitarios del Condado de Travis (enumerados a continuación). Adicionalmente, estará disponible en www.austintexas.gov.

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AUDIENCIA PÚBLICA: El público podrá comentar atendiendo la Audiencia Pública programada para el **martes, 25 de octubre de 2016 a las 9:00 AM** an la Corte de los Comisionados del Condado de Travis, 700 Lavaca, Austin, TX, 78701. La audiencia será conducida en inglés. Peticiones para personas que necesitan interpretación en otro lenguaje o que necesitan adaptaciones especiales deben ser recibidas por personal del programa CDBG del Condado de Travis 5 días antes del evento. Favor de llamar al 512-854-3460 para pedir asistencia.

COMENTARIOS POR CORREO: El público también puede proveer comentarios através del correo a: CDBG Program, Travis County, HHSVS, P.O. Box 1748, Austin, TX 78767, or por correo electrónico al programa CDBG a: cdbg@traviscountytx.gov. Comentarios tienen que ser recibidos no más tarde de las **5:00 pm el miércoles 2 de noviembre de 2016**.

ADAPTACIONES RAZONABLES: El Condado de Travis está comprometido a cumplir con el Acta de Americanos con Discapacidades (ADA) y Sección 504 del Acta de Rehabilitación de 1973, según enmendado. Adaptaciones razonables y acceso igual a comunicaciones se proveerán a pedido. Favor de llamar al 512-854-3460 para pedir asistencia.

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• In the first section of the survey, we would like you to prioritize the eligible project categories to identify the greatest needs in your community to assist with long term recovery from the 2015 floods.

• In the second section of the survey, we would like you to identify the eligible project activities that could assist your community with long term recovery from the 2015 floods.

• To learn more about CDBG-DR visit www.traviscountytx.gov/cdbg

* 1. Contact Information

Name:

Entity

Address:

City/Town:

State: -- select state --

ZIP/Postal Code:

Email Address:

Phone Number:

* 2. Please check the category you represent

- [ ] Local Government
- [ ] Non-Profit Agency
- [ ] For- Profit Agency
- [ ] Other

2. Identifying Long Term Recovery Needs from the May and October 2015 Foods

* 1. In this section, please think of the greatest needs in your community to assist with long term recovery from the May and October 2015 floods. Answer the questions with 2015 flood affected area needs in mind, and identify the categories you think are important enough to be a priority for CDBG-DR funds.

For the six funding areas listed below, please rank the top three areas by letting us know which one represents:

- The most urgent need (the most urgent area of investment in your community for long term recovery)
- An urgent need (but not necessarily the most urgent)
- An important need (but not as urgent)

No more than three categories can be ranked.

	Most Urgent Need	Urgent Need	Important Need
Infrastructure: Drainage			
Infrastructure: Communication (broadband or other technology)			
Infrastructure: Streets, bridges, water/sewer facilities, debris removal etc.			
Housing (Buyouts, elevation, reconstruction, repair or replacement, new construction, etc.)			
Economic Development (micro-enterprise, small business assistance, commercial rehabilitation)			
Demolition and Code Enforcement			

3. Identifying project types for long term recovery

* 1. Please identify the project types you think will be needed or not needed to assist with long term recovery in your community from the 2015 floods. Select as many as you like.

	Needed	Not Needed	Unsure
Single Family home Repair			
Multi-family home repair			
Elevation of housing			
Reconstruction or replacement of affected housing in same location			
Construction of new housing			
Buyout of affected housing			
Hazard Mitigation			
Other activities associated with the recovery of housing stock impacted by 2015 floods			
Drainage			
Water and Sewer Facility improvements			
Removal of Debris			
Streets and bridges			
Other infrastructure needs			
Code Enforcement			
Demolition			
Micro-Enterprise Loans			
Small business assistance			
Commercial rehabilitation			
Other economic development activities			

4. Thank You!

Thank you for participating in this survey. Your assistance will help the County develop the method of distribution as well as inform local governments about the remaining need to better plan for the future.

If you have questions regarding this survey, please contact the Travis County CDBG Program at: (512) 854-3460, email: cdbg@traviscountytx.gov or visit www.traviscountytx.gov/cdbg.

If we mailed this survey to you, please return it to: CDBG Program, TCHHS/VS, P.O. Box 1748, Austin , TX 78767, postmarked no later than October 10, 2016.

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* 1. Contact Information

Name:

Neighborhood Area (if applicable)

Address:

City/Town:

State: -- select state --

ZIP/Postal Code:

Email Address:

Phone Number:

* 2. Please check the category you represent

- [ ] Resident
- [ ] Community Group

2. Identifying Long Term Recovery Needs from the May and October 2015 Foods

* 1. In this section, please think of the greatest needs in your community to assist with long term recovery from the May and October 2015 floods. Answer the questions with your personal and neighborhood area needs in mind, and identify the categories you think are important enough to be a priority for CDBG-DR funds.

For the six funding areas listed below, please rank the top three areas by letting us know which one represents:

- The most urgent need (the most urgent area of investment in your community for long term recovery)
- An urgent need (but not necessarily the most urgent)
- An important need (but not as urgent)

No more than three categories can be ranked.

	Most Urgent Need	Urgent Need	Important Need
Infrastructure: Drainage			
Infrastructure: Communication (broadband or other technology)			
Infrastructure: Streets, bridges, water/sewer facilities, debris removal etc.			
Housing (Buyouts, elevation, reconstruction, repair or replacement, new construction, etc.)			
Economic Development (micro-enterprise, small business assistance, commercial rehabilitation)			
Demolition and Code Enforcement			

3. Identifying project types for long term recovery

* 1. Please identify the project types you think will be needed or not needed to assist with long term recovery in your neighborhood from the 2015 floods. Select as many as you like.

	Needed	Not Needed	Unsure
Single Family home Repair			
Multi-family home repair			
Elevation of housing			
Reconstruction or replacement of affected housing in same location			
Construction of new housing			
Buyout of affected housing			
Hazard Mitigation			
Other activities associated with the recovery of housing stock impacted by 2015 floods			
Drainage			
Water and Sewer Facility improvements			
Removal of Debris			
Streets and bridges			
Other infrastructure needs			
Code Enforcement			
Demolition			
Micro-Enterprise Loans			
Small business assistance			
Commercial rehabilitation			
Other economic development activities			

4. Thank You!

Thank you for participating in this survey. Your assistance will help the County develop the method of distribution as well as inform local governments to remaining need to better plan for the future.

If you have questions regarding this survey, please contact the Travis County CDBG Program at: (512) 854-3460, email: cdbg@traviscountytx.gov or visit www.traviscountytx.gov/cdbg.

If we mailed this survey to you, please return it to: CDBG Program, TCHHS/VS, P.O. Box 1748, Austin , TX 78767, postmarked no later than October 10, 2016.

CDBG-DR 2015 Floods Long Term Recovery Needs SPANISH Survey

1. Introducción y Información de Contacto

El Condado de Travis busca la opinión del público acerca del método de distribución para $5,531,116, una asignación regional en Fondos de Recuperación de Desastre del Programa de Subsidio Globales para el Desarrollo Comunitario ofrecido por la Oficina General de Tierras de Tejas através del Departamento de Vivienda y Desarrollo Urbano de los EE. UU. Estos fondos son para necesidades de recuperación a largo plazo relacionadas a las inundaciones que ocurrieron en mayo y octubre del 2015.

- **En la primera sección de esta encuesta, le pedimos que ponga en prioridad las categorías de proyectos elegibles para identificar las necesidades mayores de la comunidad para asistir con la recuperación a largo plazo de las inundaciones del año 2015.**

- **En la segunda sección, le pedimos que identifique actividades de proyectos que pueden asistir a la comunidad con la recuperación a largo plazo de las inundaciones del año 2015.**

- **Para saber más acerca de CDBG-DR visite www.traviscountytx.gov/cdbg**

* 1. Información de Contacto

Nombre:

Vecindario (si aplica):

Dirección:

Ciudad/Pueblo:

Estado: -- select state --

Código Postal:

Dirección electrónica (email):

Número de teléfono:

* 2. Favor de selecionar la categoría que usted representa

☐ Residente

☐ Grupo Comunitario

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2. Identificación de Necesidades para Recuperación a Largo Plazo de las Inundaciones mayo/octubre 2015

* 1. En esta sección, favor de pensar en las mayores necesidaded en su comunidad para asistir en la recuperación a largo plazo de las inundaciones del mayo y octubre del año 2015. Responda a las preguntas tomando en cuenta sus necesidades personales y las de su vecindario, y identifique las categorías que usted piensa son suficiente importantes para tener prioridad para el uso de los fondos de CDBG-DR.

Para las seis areas de fondos enumeradas a continuación, favor de poner en orden las tres áreas superiores, dejándonos saber cuál de ellas representa:

- La necesidad más urgente (el área de inversión más urgente en su comunidad para recuperación a largo plazo)

- Una necesidad urgente (pero no necesariamente la más urgente)

- Una necesidad importante (pero no tan urgente) Solo podrá clasificar tres categorías.

	Necesidad más urgente	Necesidad urgente	Necesidad importante
Infraestructura: Drenaje	○	○	○
Infraestructura: Comunicación (banda ancha u otra technología)	○	○	○
Infraestructura: Calles, puentes, instalaciones de agua/aqueductos, remoción de escombros, etc.	○	○	○
Vivienda (Compras, elevación, reconstrucción, reparación o reemplazamiento, construcción nueva, etc.)	○	○	○
Desarrollo Económico (microempresa, asistencia a negocios pequeños, rehabilitación comercial)	○	○	○
Demolición y aplicación de Códigos	○	○	○

3. Identifique tipos de proyectos para recuperacion a largo plazo

* 1. Por favor identifique los tipos de proyectos que usted piensa serán necesarios o no serán necesarios para asistir en la recuperación a largo plazo de su vecindario de las inundaciones del año 2015. Puede seleccionar varios.

	Se necesita	No se necesita	No estoy segura/seguro
Reparación de viviendas unifamiliares	○	○	○
Reparación de viviendas multifamiliares	○	○	○
Elevación de viviendas	○	○	○
Reconstrucción o reemplazamiento de vivienda afectada sin cambiar de localización	○	○	○
Construcción de vivienda nueva	○	○	○
Compra de vivienda afectada	○	○	○
Mitigación de peligros	○	○	○
Otras actividades asociadas con la recuperación de viviendas afectadas por las inundaciones del año 2015	○	○	○
Drenaje	○	○	○
Mejoramientos a instalaciones de aqua y aqueductos	○	○	○
Remoción de escombros	○	○	○
Calles y puentes	○	○	○
Otras necesidades de infraestructura	○	○	○
Aplicación de Código	○	○	○
Demolición	○	○	○
Préstamos para microempresas	○	○	○
Asistencia a negocios pequeños	○	○	○
Rehabilitación comercial	○	○	○
Otras actividades para desarrollo económico	○	○	○

4. Gracias!

Agradecemos su participación en esta encuesta. Su asistencia puede ayudar al Condado a desarrollar un método de distribución y también puede informar a los gobiernos locales acerca de las necesidades restantes para planificar mejor para el futuro.

Si usted tiene preguntas acerca de esta encuesta, favor de comunicarse con el Programa de CDBG del Condado de Travis al: (512) 854-3460, email: cdbg@traviscountytx.gov o visite www.traviscountytx.gov/cdbg.

Si usted recibió esta encuesta por correo, favor de devolverla a la siguiente dirección: CDBG Program, TCHHS/VS, P.O. Box 1748, Austin , TX 78767, con fecha de sello postal no más tarde del 10 de octubre de 2016.

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SIGN-IN SHEET

Method of Distribution Public Hearing of CDBG-Disaster Recovery Funds for the May & October 2015 Flood Events in Travis County

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