



# WEST VIRGINIA

Community Development Block Grant

## **NON-SUBSTANTIAL TECHNICAL AMENDMENT 2**

## **TO DISASTER RECOVERY ACTION PLAN**

for the use of CDBG-DR funds  
in response to the floods of June 2016

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West Virginia Department of Commerce

West Virginia Development Office

WV Community Development Block Grant - Disaster Recovery Flood 2016

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**Non-Substantial Technical Amendment 2**

West Virginia Disaster Recovery Action Plan RISE WV

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**Program Office:** West Virginia Development Office

**Grant Opportunity Title:** Community Development Block Grant - Disaster Recovery

**CFDA Number:** 14.228

**Announcement Type:** **Non-Substantial Amendment for Technical Changes**

**Date for Changes:** **November 1, 2018 to June 30, 2023**

The section below summarizes the changes made to West Virginia's Community Development Block Grant- Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR) Action Plan approved by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development in May 2017. This announcement provides a non-substantial, technical change to the initial Action Plan specifically the Bridge Home Program.

In the initial Action Plan, the Bridge Home Program objectives and description stated: "Given the state's rugged and rural landscape, many properties have only one access point via roads with bridges a substantial amount of which were damaged or destroyed during the flood. Due to the large amount of private, non-county-maintained bridges that were damaged affected residents have limited or no access to their homes and some do not have access to evacuation routes. Homeowners and renters in West Virginia need this specific assistance. FEMA Public Assistance may not be available to repair these roads due to their lack of public maintenance, even though they provide critical emergency access to families and homeowners. Without the reconstruction of the private roads and bridges, residents will be at high risk when the next disaster occurs." This Non-Substantial Amendment will maintain the original National and Budget Allocation objective for the Bridge Home Program with the following Technical Change:

**TECHNICAL CHANGES TO THE ACTION PLAN BRIDGE HOME PROGRAM**

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**ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA:**

- Applicants must prove that the private bridge access was directly damaged or destroyed by the flood (DR 4273) and provides primary access to the target homes.
- Applicants should demonstrate that lack of access is a health and safety issue and provides emergency vehicle access.
- The private bridge should serve several least two residential properties, one primary residential property. At least 51 percent of the properties that the bridge provides access to must be low-and-moderate income households unless an urgent need can be substantiated.

**PROGRAM PRIORITIES:** Applicants deemed eligible for the WV Up to Code or WV Rental Assistance Program will be prioritized for Bridge Home Program funds.

**ELIGIBLE ACTIVITIES:** Eligible under HCDA Sections 105(a)(3); 105(a)(4); 105(a)(5).

**NATIONAL OBJECTIVE** Benefit to low- and moderate-income persons or households and Urgent Need (24 CFR 570.208(a); and, 24CFR 570.208(c)).

**CDBG-DR ALLOCATION:** \$2,080,000

**PROJECTED ACCOMPLISHMENTS** The State estimates that up to 130 bridges can be repaired or replaced.

**GRANT LIMIT:** \$30,000 per primary residence access

**START DATE:** The State anticipates the launch of the Bridge Home Program during the third quarter of 2017.

**END DATE:** The State anticipates the completion of the Bridge Home Program by June 2023.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Questions regarding specific requirements for the Bridge Home Program under RISE WV should be directed to the West Virginia Development Office.

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