

PUBLIC NOTICE AND REQUEST FOR PUBLIC INPUT

Proposed Action Plan for: Community Development Block Grant – Disaster Recovery Funds FY 2013 Allocation

St. Tammany Parish Government has been notified by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) that \$8,896,000, with an additional \$2,019,000 for a total of \$ 10,915,000, has been allocated to the Parish through the Disaster Relief Appropriations Act of 2013 (Public Law 113-2); CDBG Disaster Recovery program (CDBG-DR). These funds are being made available to assist disaster recovery efforts in response to Hurricane Isaac. The Federal Register at 78 FR 32262 contains a list of waivers which permits changes to St. Tammany Parish's Citizen Participation Plan. HUD's requirements for jurisdictions to receive allocated funding include the creation of an Action Plan that must be made available to St. Tammany Parish citizens for public comment for a period of 7 days.

The purpose of the CDBG-DR program is to provide funds for necessary expenses related to disaster relief, long-term recovery, restoration of infrastructure and housing and economic revitalization in the most impacted and distressed areas resulting from a major disaster that took place in 2011 or 2012.

The proposed Action Plan will be available for viewing on the Parish website at: <http://www.stpgov.org/grants.php> and at the St. Tammany Parish Government Department of Grants office. Citizens who are unable to access the amendment due to a disability or limited English proficiency should call 985-867-5095 or email cgmahoney@stpgov.org to obtain an accessible copy of the amendment.

St. Tammany Parish is soliciting input from citizens on the proposed CDBG-DR Action Plan. Citizens are invited to submit comments in writing:

Via mail:

St. Tammany Parish Government
Department of Grants
P.O. Box 628
Covington, LA 70434

Via fax:

985-898-5205

Via email:

cgmahoney@stpgov.org

Citizen Comments will be accepted for inclusion in the Action Plan from 8am, August 22, 2013 - 4 pm on August 29, 2013. The citizen comment period has been reduced by HUD from 30 days to 7 days to expedite the expenditure of CDBG-DR funds. Citizens who are unable to submit comments in writing are encouraged to call 985-867-5095 for accommodations.