



**Executive Director's Report
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Recent Events

- LRA and DRU staff have provided detailed information and briefings to New Orleans Mayor-Elect Mitch Landrieu's transition team.
- This past weekend, senior staff participated in a transition team meeting with Obama administration cabinet members and the Landrieu transition team, providing insight on the current status of hurricane recovery in New Orleans.

 **Recent Events**



Times Picayune Photo

- HUD Secretary Shaun Donovan was on hand for the ribbon cutting to open 101 apartments at Columbia Parc at the Bayou District (formerly the St. Bernard housing development), which is part of the state's Piggyback Program. He also toured the construction at BW Cooper.

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 **Recent Events**



photo by John Reinhardt

- Secretary Donovan and other officials also spoke as part of the American Planning Association's conference in New Orleans, the organization's third in the city since Katrina. LRA and DRU staff participated in a number of recovery-related events with planners from across the nation.

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Road Home Update

as of April 12, 2010

Recent Road Home Program Data	
Total Closings Held	127,112
Total Amount Disbursed	\$8.43 billion
Average Award	~\$66,000

Option 2 8,027	Option 3 2,205
Option 1 116,880	

Applicant Selections

8,177 homeowners have received additional ACG since the \$50,000 cap was removed, resulting in more than \$287.7 million more grant dollars

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Road Home Appeals

as of March 18, 2010

HGI Appeals

Cases in Appeals Department:

- **17,298** processed
- **17,025** resolved
- **273** remaining

Results of Resolved HGI Appeals Cases:

6,276 additional funds awarded

- Average award of \$27,454

849 award reduction

- Average reduction of \$18,530

5,378 no change to award amount

4,509 reviewed for eligibility determination

- > 1,577 approved
- > 2,932 denied

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Road Home Appeals

as of April 2, 2010

State Appeals

Cases in State Appeals:

- **3,906** received
- **45** in progress
- **3,177** closed or denied
- **684** approved

The average length of time to process a state-level appeal is 60 days.

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CDBG/Road Home Elevations

as of April 12, 2010



A home in New Orleans elevated through the Road Home Elevation program

- **31,217** homeowners interested in and eligible for elevation funds through Road Home
- **29,792** elevation disbursements awarded
- **\$863.4 million** disbursed

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Hazard Mitigation Grant Program

Elevations

- 44,400 interested applicants
- 812 payments made to date
- \$19.1 million in payments to homeowners
 - Midpoint: 434 (\$9,445,358.37)
 - Interim: 11 (\$241,232.35)
 - Final: 23 (\$595,877.80)
 - Advances: 344 (\$8,784,477.09)

Partnership Summit with GOHSEP/FEMA

- Discussed ways to improve the process for homeowners and how to speed up FEMA clearance for properties.
- DRU and GOHSEP also worked on internal payment issues, cutting the amount of time it takes the state to make a payment once it has complete payment information.

as of April 14, 2010

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Louisiana Land Trust

Transfer and Closing Update

- Closed and/or transferred: 744
- Scheduled to close: 119

LLT Demolition Program

- Total properties scheduled for disposition: **10,212**
- Total inspections completed: **9,565**

Structure & Slab:	3,004
Slab only:	4,696
Vacant lot:	339
Transfer as is:	1,001

- Substantially completed demolitions: **1,939**

Demo of Structure & Slab:	610
Demo of Slab only:	1,329

- Demolitions currently underway (through 50 demolition contracts)

Demo of Structure:	1,037
Demo of Slab:	5,211
Slab abatement:	4,395

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Louisiana Land Trust

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Small Rental Program

as of April 5, 2010

- Active awardees: **5,861**
- Rental closings: **1,552**
- Award amount: **\$129.27M**
- Units produced: **2,915**
- Affordable units produced: **2,541**

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Alternative Housing Pilot Program



Completed cottage in Baton Rouge.

470 Total Units

21 Occupied Units

- 10 – Baton Rouge
- 11 – Lake Charles

175 Completed Units

- 91 Jackson Barracks
- 42 Baton Rouge
- 42 Lake Charles

179 units are under construction in Lake Charles, New Orleans and Westwego

as of April 14, 2010

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Alternative Housing Pilot Program

as of April 5, 2010

AHPP Case Management

2,552 applications mailed as of April 5

- ✓ 695 – Baton Rouge
- ✓ 417 - Lake Charles
- ✓ 1,119 – New Orleans
- ✓ 316 – Westwego
- ✓ 5 – Unspecified

751 application packets have been returned to the Contact Center as of April 5

- ✓ 659 are complete
- ✓ 92 incomplete (missing release statement and signature page)

268 completed household applications are assigned to the following regions

- ✓ 157 – Baton Rouge
- ✓ 72 – Lake Charles
- ✓ 326 – New Orleans
- ✓ 104 – Westwego

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FEMA Trailer Deactivation / DHAP

as of April 5 2010

- **989 families** still in FEMA trailers
(was 1,596 as of October 16, 2009)
- Sales and Donations Programs:
 - ✓ **608** sold
 - ✓ **170** sales pending
 - ✓ **306** eligible for donations

The Disaster Case Management Program closed in March, after serving 3,300 households.

For former DHAP families, 5,770 Housing Choice Vouchers have been issued.

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Gustav and Ike Temporary Housing

*as of March 26, 2010

FEMA Trailers

- **324 total** in Louisiana (*436 as of Jan. 22, 2009*)
- One-year extension **approved** by FEMA
 - Program will now end Mar. 31, 2011

DHAP – Ike

- **2,870** in Louisiana
- HUD has requested funding for vouchers for DHAP-Ike families. If approved, these vouchers will not be available until after October 2010.
- One-year extension **requested** by LRA
 - Program will now end Mar. 31, 2010

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Gustav and Ike Recovery Funding

- **Action Plan Amendment No. 4** awaits full **Legislative and HUD approval**; **APA No. 5** awaits **HUD approval**
 - ✓ **APA No. 4** approval of the remaining unallocated \$122 million, including funding for economic development, cost-shares for FEMA funded projects, additional money to the agriculture recovery program, and a revised interoperable communications plan
 - ✓ **APA No. 5** is a non-substantial amendment submitted to HUD on April 6 for approval. It provides some clarifications on the fisheries and community resiliency programs, but does not request the use of additional funds.

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Gustav and Ike Recovery Funding

as of April 6, 2010

Parish Recovery Proposals

Parish	Allocation	Parish	Allocation
Acadia	\$2,513,759	Ouachita	\$2,038,186
Ascension	\$19,370,564	Pointe Coupee	\$15,916,088
Assumption	\$26,879,387	Rapides	\$16,362,354
Ayoelles	\$3,906,483	St. Bernard	\$250,549
Beauregard	\$387,101	St. Charles	\$4,809,266
Calcasieu	\$17,707,489	St. Helena	\$3,404,232
Cameron	\$53,148,217	St. James	\$10,533,467
Catahoula	\$2,277,264	St. John the Baptist	\$6,984,655
Concordia	\$470,415	St. Landry	\$12,769,792
East Baton Rouge	\$34,223,293	St. Martin	\$5,312,648
City of Baker*	\$1,030,121	St. Mary	\$19,461,923
Evangeline	\$2,237,170	St. Tammany	\$3,794,007
Franklin	\$4,471,702	Tangipahoa	\$10,032,566
Grant	\$424,360	Tensas	\$150,000
Iberia	\$11,035,502	Terrebonne	\$123,270,148
Iberville	\$44,197,877	Vermilion	\$8,369,081
Jefferson	\$27,143,935	Vernon	\$150,000
Jefferson Davis	\$334,500	West Baton Rouge	\$8,197,025
Lafourche	\$33,633,297	West Feliciana	\$1,441,783
La Salle	\$154,738	Winn	\$150,000
Livingston	\$11,264,828		

**Approved proposals shaded*
***Funds for the City of Baker are included in the East Baton Rouge Parish plan*

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Gustav and Ike Recovery Programs

Parish-Level Recovery

- 41 PRPs have been received, accounting for 96.8% of the total allocation to the parishes (\$547 of the \$565.5 million)
 - Anticipated remaining PRPs to be submitted through June
 - 32 PRPs have been approved and the remaining are on hold for further clarification or scheduled for review in the coming weeks

- To date, the following types of project specific applications have been received –
 - 24 Infrastructure and Planning pre-applications – 13 pre-applications have been approved
 - 7 Infrastructure and Planning applications – 5 applications have been approved totaling \$12,171,956
 - 2 Housing applications – 1 application has been approved totaling \$1,990,000

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Gustav and Ike Recovery Programs

Technical Assistance

- A statewide Parish Technical Assistance Training, targeted for all parishes receiving funds for drainage, is scheduled for April 28 at the LITE Center in Lafayette
- A statewide Parish Technical Assistance Training, targeted for all parishes receiving funds for housing, is scheduled for May 4 at the Galvez Building in Baton Rouge

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Gustav and Ike Recovery Programs

Statewide Programs

- Coastal Program: coordinating with the Office of Coastal Protection and Restoration (OCPR) team to develop full scale project applications for an estimated 10 to 12 proposed coastal projects for the full \$27 million allocation;
- After a successful first round, the Agriculture Department will soon launch a \$2.2 million second round of agribusiness grants and loans.
- Applications are being accepted for the Community Resiliency program through March 17. The applications will be reviewed and awarded based off a competitive scoring system

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Gustav and Ike Recovery Programs

Statewide Programs

- Applications are being accepted for the \$50 million Affordable Rental program through May 7. The applications will be reviewed and awarded based off a competitive scoring system
- Additionally, another competitive application program for \$25 million in Piggyback Rental Permanent Supportive Housing is accepting applications through April 30.
- The design of the \$30 million Municipalities Infrastructure program is almost complete. Applications will be open after design is finished and a competitive scoring system will be used in determining awards.

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FEMA Public Assistance

	Applicants	Projects	Obligated	Paid
Katrina	2,163	18,196	\$8.2 billion	\$4.9 billion
Rita	931	4,429	\$624 million	\$482 million
Gustav	1,079	6,212	\$657 million	\$450 million
Ike	416	1,478	\$169 million	\$90 million

as of March 31, 2010

Express Pay

11,726 RRFs processed; \$2.1 billion paid. Average payment time is currently **5 business days**

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