

The City of New York Action Plan Amendment 11 (non-substantial)

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For CDBG-DR Funds, Disaster Relief Appropriations Act of 2013 (P.L. 113-2)

Hurricane Sandy hit New York City on October 29, 2012. The City of New York's Action Plan describes how the City will use its award of Community Development Block Grant – Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR) funds, received from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) to support recovery from Hurricane Sandy and to build more resiliently against the challenges of climate change. The programs in this Action Plan include programs to build and support housing, businesses, resiliency, and New York City infrastructure and other City services.

On May 7, 2013, the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) approved the City's initial Action Plan which has subsequently been amended several times through both substantial and non-substantial amendments. The entirety of the City's \$4,213,876,000 CDBG-DR award through the third allocation is described in the Action Plan.

Any change greater than \$1 million in funding committed to a certain program, the addition or deletion of a program, or change in the designated beneficiaries of a program constitutes a substantial amendment. Substantial amendments will be available for public comment, including during at least one public hearing, and must be submitted to and approved by HUD. The City may also make non-substantial amendments to its Action Plan that do not require a public comment period but must be posted on the City's website.

The City will post all Action Plans, amendments, and its responses to public comments on the City's CDBG-DR website: <http://www.nyc.gov/cdbg>.

Action Plan Amendment 11 is a non-substantial amendment. The changes to the Action Plan are summarized as follows:

General

In order to improve document flow and focus content on the CDBG-DR funded activities, certain sections of the Action Plan have been moved to appendices:

- Information about the City's immediate storm response
- Inundation area descriptions, maps, and charts
- Housing demographic data

Other general edits include the following:

- Adds list of acronyms in an appendix
- Includes information about where to find the City's Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing Statement
- Includes other non-substantial edits, including updated facts and figures and the removal of extraneous text

Housing

- Updates description of Build it Back Single Family Temporary Relocation assistance
- Removes the phrase "commercial uses" from the description of the New York City Acquisition for Redevelopment pathway
- Reflects \$60 million of Residential Building Mitigation Program funding, formerly included in the Resiliency section of the Action Plan, as part of the overall Build it Back Multi-family Program allocation
- Updates facts and figures within the Public Housing section to reflect current information about NYCHA's Sandy Recovery efforts

Business

- Removes information about discontinued programs

Infrastructure and Other City Services

- Updates information about how CDBG-DR will be used to fund the Health and Hospitals Corporation project under "Rehabilitation/Reconstruction of Public Facilities"

Resiliency

- Removes mention of the discontinued "Hospital Row in Southern Manhattan" program
- Adds link to the East Side Coastal Resiliency project website
- Removes description of the Residential Building Mitigation Program from the Resiliency chapter; funds are now reflected in the Multi-Family Rehabilitation Program allocation as indicated above