

CITY OF NEW YORK
OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET (NYC OMB)
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT – DISASTER RECOVERY (CDBG-DR)
NOTICE OF INTENT TO REQUEST RELEASE OF FUNDS (NOI RROF)

REQUEST FOR RELEASE OF FUNDS

On or about September 3, 2026, the City of New York (the City) will submit a request to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development for the release of Community Development Block Grant-Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR) funds authorized under the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended, the Disaster Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2022 (Public Law 117– 43), and the Continuing Appropriations Act, 2023 (Public Law 117-180), to undertake a project known as the New York City Housing Authority (NYCHA) Elevator Resiliency Improvements (Group 3) project. The City proposes to award approximately \$335,000 in CDBG-DR funds for an approximately \$335,000 project in order to implement elevator updates at NYCHA developments.

Proposed activities would involve installation of Auto Voltage Regulator (AVR) equipment, by NYCHA’s Elevator Service Repair Department (ESRD), in existing service spaces adjacent to elevator shafts and the placement of new conduits in existing elevator shafts. ESRD would deliver AVRs to the project sites, and place them in the motor room or basement (depending on design configuration). ESRD would then secure AVR units to existing floor slabs utilizing anchor bolts. Electricians would install conduit and wiring through existing elevator shaft ways and floor openings and connect new equipment to existing electrical building systems.

The purpose of the proposed project is to provide NYCHA residents with continued elevator service in senior and high-rise buildings during periods of electrical utility voltage reductions, also known as brownouts. ConEd decreases service voltage during brownouts to conserve energy and prevent damage to the grid. A voltage decrease affects NYCHA elevator equipment and elevators cannot provide service during these periods. This creates a potentially hazardous situation for tenants who may become trapped or cannot otherwise exit and return to their apartments during brownouts.

The proposed project would be implemented at the ten buildings listed below:

Development	Street Address	Building Number	Borough
Bland	40-25 College Point Boulevard	1	Queens
Carver	50 East 104th Street	9	Manhattan

Forest	765 East 163rd Street	10	Bronx
Grant	430 West 125th Street	9	Manhattan
Ingersoll	56 Monument Walk	20	Brooklyn
	60 Fleet Walk	27	Brooklyn
Pelham Parkway	860 Astor Avenue	18	Bronx
Red Hook West	135 Richards Street	1	Brooklyn
Tompkins	744 Park Avenue	2	Brooklyn
Whitman	14 Auburn Place	15	Brooklyn

CATEGORICAL EXCLUSION SUBJECT TO SECTION 58.35

In accordance with 24 CFR 58.35 of the HUD Environmental Review Procedures for HUD funded activities, the implementation of the NYCHA Elevator Resiliency Improvements project at the sites listed above has been determined to be categorically excluded from the Environmental Assessment requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act. The proposed project involves rehabilitation and / or improvements at multifamily residential buildings pursuant to 24 CFR 58.35(a)(3)(ii). Additional project information is contained in the Environmental Review Record (ERR). The ERR is available for review at <https://www.nyc.gov/site/cdbgdr/hurricane-ida/ida-environmental-records.page>

The ERR will also be made available to the public for review, upon request, either electronically, by U.S. mail, or in person. Please submit your request to NYC OMB by mail or in person at 255 Greenwich Street, 8th Floor, New York, NY 10007, Attention: Juliet Jacobs, Environmental Unit Head, or via email to CDBGComments@omb.nyc.gov. NYC OMB's office is open on weekdays, between the hours of 9:30 AM and 5:30 PM.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Any individual, group, or agency may submit comments on the ERR to the NYC OMB by mail, in person, or via email to the addresses listed above. Comments may be submitted by phone to (212) 788-1653. All comments received by September 2, 2026, will be considered by NYC OMB prior to authorizing the submission of a request for release of funds. Comments should specify which part of this Notice is being addressed.

ENVIRONMENTAL CERTIFICATION

NYC OMB certifies to HUD that the City and Julie Freeman, in her capacity as Certifying Officer, consents to accept the jurisdiction of the Federal Courts if an action is brought to enforce responsibilities in relation to the environmental review process and that these responsibilities have been satisfied. HUD's approval of the certification satisfies its responsibilities under NEPA and related laws and authorities and allows the City to use CDBG-DR Program funds.

OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS

HUD will consider objections to its release of funds and NYC OMB's certification for a period of fifteen days following its actual receipt of the request only if they are on one of the following bases: (a) the certification was not executed by the Certifying Officer of NYC OMB; (b) NYC OMB has omitted a step or failed to make a decision or finding required by HUD regulations at 24 CFR Part 58; (c) the grant recipient or other participants in the project have committed funds or incurred costs not authorized by 24 CFR Part 58 before approval of a release of funds by HUD; or (d) another Federal agency acting pursuant to 40 CFR Part 1504 has submitted a written finding that the project is unsatisfactory from the standpoint of environmental quality. Objections must be prepared and submitted in accordance with the required procedures (24 CFR Part 58, Sec. 58.76) and shall be addressed to CPDRROFNyc@hud.gov. Potential objectors should contact HUD to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

City of New York Zohran Kwame Mamdani, Mayor
 Sherif Soliman, Director of Management and Budget

Date: August 26, 2026