Disaster Recovery
Action Plan Overview

Background

The historic Labor Day 2020 Fires were the most destructive natural disaster in Oregon’s history. Impacted survivors and communities are still recovering. To address some of the most critical remaining recovery and mitigation needs, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) allocated over $422 million in Community Development Block Grant-Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR) funding. This grant is an opportunity to rebuild housing, particularly for low- and moderate-income survivors, revitalize communities, and prepare to withstand future disasters.

Oregon is committed to equity and resilience as pillars of recovery, and it will incorporate these guiding principles into each of its CDBG-DR programs:

• Advancing equity and racial justice and supporting underserved communities.
• Rebuilding homes and communities to be more resilient to natural disasters.

Oregon Housing and Community Services (OHCS) established ReOregon specifically to deliver recovery for Oregon families, rebuild Oregon homes, revitalize Oregon communities, and build a more resilient Oregon in the face of future disasters.

Draft Action Plan

OHCS is responsible for administering the $422,286,000 in disaster recovery funds. In the draft Action Plan, OHCS proposes implementing programs directly—while allowing survivors to work with local partners in the application process.

HUD requires the state to allocate disaster recovery funding as follows:

• At least 15% of funds must be used to mitigate future disasters.
• At least 70% must be used for programs or projects that will benefit low- to moderate-income residents.

To address the most-urgent unmet needs, the Action Plan includes the programs listed below. These programs may be amended or expanded in the future as we learn more about unmet needs, so these are just a starting place for the disaster recovery program.

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TOTAL: $422,286,000
OHCS will hold public hearings May 16-19 and 24. Before the hearings, OHCS officials will be on hand to answer questions about disaster recovery funding and provide information about the state’s process to identify unmet recovery and mitigation needs that informed the plan’s development. The hearings will include a short presentation by OHCS officials, followed by the opportunity for attendees to submit public comments.

The hearing schedule is as follows:

**Oregon Coast Community College**
**MONDAY, MAY 16, 2022**
Information session: 5-6 p.m. | Public hearing: 6-8 p.m.
3788 SE High School Drive, Lincoln City, OR 97367

**Gates Community Christ Church**
**TUESDAY, MAY 17, 2022**
Information session: 5-6 p.m. | Public hearing: 6-8 p.m.
40070 Gates School Road, Gates, OR 97346

**McKenzie River Community School**
**WEDNESDAY, MAY 18, 2022**
Information session: 5-6 p.m. | Public hearing: 6-8 p.m.
51187 Blue River Drive, Vida, OR 97488

**Talent Community Center**
**THURSDAY, MAY 19, 2022**
Information session: 5-6 p.m. | Public hearing: 6-8 p.m.
104 E. Main St., Talent, OR 97540 (Behind City Hall)

**Talent Community Center**
**TUESDAY, MAY 24, 2022**
Information session: 5-6 p.m. | Public hearing: 6-8 p.m.
104 E. Main St., Talent, OR 97540 (Behind City Hall)

**What if I can’t attend an in-person meeting?**

The hearing presentation will be posted online at re.oregon.gov for individuals who cannot join the meetings but would like to review the materials and submit written comments.

Methods to provide public comment:
- By email to ReOregon@hcs.oregon.gov
- By phone toll free at 833-604-0878
- By mail to Attn: OHCS 725 Summer St. NE, Suite B Salem OR 97301-1266

**What’s next?**

After the 30-day public comment period, OHCS will incorporate feedback and comments into the final Action Plan before OHCS submits it to HUD for review and approval.

**THE STATE’S DEADLINE TO SUBMIT ITS ACTION PLAN IS JUNE 8, 2022.**

For more information, visit: re.oregon.gov

SUBMIT YOUR COMMENTS BY 11:59 P.M. JUNE 1, 2022.

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