



## **Appendix M. NJOEM Superstorm Sandy Workshop**



# Applicant Briefing

## **Bergen County HMGP Applicant Briefing**

**January 24, 2013**





# HMGP

## Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP)

To implement **long term** Hazard mitigation measures after a Federal Declared disaster.

### **Purpose:**

The purpose of the program is to reduce the loss of life and property in future disasters by funding mitigation measures during the recovery phase of a natural disaster.





# HMGP

DR 4086 HMGP funding is dedicated to Mitigation efforts **only** in the State of New Jersey

Not competitive nationwide (SRL, RFC, PDM, FMA)

All 21 counties in the State of NJ are **eligible** for HMGP funding





# Goals of the HMGP

Support the State/Local hazard Mitigation Plans by funding hazard mitigation measures that are **in line with their respective plans**

Assist local governments in using safer building practices and improving existing practices and supporting infrastructure





# Bergen County Plan

## Bergen County All Hazards Mitigation Plan

Approved and Adopted: November 2008

Current plan expires: November **2013**

Funding for a plan update can be secured through  
HMGP Funding

This plan identifies community policies, actions, and tools for long-term implementation to reduce risk and potential for future losses.





# Bergen County Plan

**Every municipality needs to be actively involved in the update of this plan.**

**FEMA will review each county plan, to verify that projects submitted by municipalities have been identified in the current County Plan.**

**The creation of this plan will allow the County and its participating municipalities to be eligible for future mitigation funding from FEMA. This is an opportunity for the County to create a detailed plan that will address a variety of potential hazards that could affect its citizens, physical assets and economy.**





# Planning

Hazard Mitigation planning is a **collaborative process** whereby hazards affecting the community are identified, vulnerability to the hazards is assessed, and consensus reached on how to minimize or eliminate the effects of these hazards.

Hazard mitigation planning is an important aspect of any successful mitigation program.







# History/Trends

## Recent History - New Jersey Disasters

**10 declared disasters in less than 3 year time period.**

- Snowstorms**
- Hurricanes**
- nor'easters**





# Recent Data – NFIP quick claims

Little Ferry – **845** NFIP quick claims

Moonachie – **234** NFIP quick claims

Lyndhurst – **134** quick claims

Rochelle Park – **156** RL

New Milford – **38** SRL & **139** RL

Westwood – **31** SRL & **108** RL





# Funding

The program may provide the State with up to 15% of the total disaster dollar amount

HMGP may be used to fund **up to 75%** of eligible mitigation measures

The Applicant **must provide** the remaining 25% cost share from non-federal sources





# HMGP Financing

HMGP is a cost **reimbursement** grant program





# Who is eligible?

## Government Entities

- State Agencies
  - Local Agencies
  - Private Non-Profit organizations
  - Tribal Nations
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- Municipalities may apply on homeowner behalf





# Ineligible projects

**Ineligible** projects include:

- Major flood control projects (dams/levees)
- Water quality infrastructure projects
- Dry flood proofing of residential structures
- Projects that solely address maintenance or repairs of existing structures or infrastructure





# Eligible Projects

## •Eligible Projects:

- Acquisitions
- Elevations
- Storm Water Management
- Minor Flood Control Projects
- Retrofitting existing buildings and facilities to minimize damage from high winds, flooding, earthquakes and other hazards



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# 4021 LOI's

## **Bergen County 4021 LOI's**

- **22 LOI's Received**

**New Milford – 5 Acquisitions Approved**

**Westwood – 9 Acquisitions Approved**

**Bergen County Plan Update**







# How to Apply

- Determine need and interest
- Available municipal resources
- Communities may hold a public meeting to determine interest for mitigation projects
- Consult with Township engineer/Public Works/planners reference possible mitigation projects
- **Municipality's must reply to NJOEM by February 15<sup>th</sup>, 2013 via Letter of Intent.**





# Letter of Intent

- **The Letter of Intent** (LOI)
- what the proposed initiative will be
- how much it is anticipated to cost
- the project benefits
- **the community will provide the 25% match**
- NJOEM reviews the LOIs with the State Hazard Mitigation Team and decides which communities are eligible to develop an application. This is based upon eligibility criteria under 44CFR, the community's need, and project benefits.





# Deadline for LOI

- Letters of Intent must be submitted **to Bergen County OEM** by 2/8/2013
- Bergen County OEM will submit all LOI's to NJOEM by COB 2/15/2013





# SHMT meeting

## SHMT Team

- Functions on a periodic and disaster basis
- Assist the local governments in the recovery phase, provide technical assistance, prevent duplication of efforts and funding, identify and prioritize mitigation projects, identify funding options for implementing mitigation projects
- Review and revise the State Hazard Mitigation plan





# SHMT Team Members

- Governor's Office (GAR)
- NJDEP
- NJDOT
- Dept. of Banking & Insurance
- BPU
- OIT
- Dept. of Education
- NJSP OEM
- OAG
- DMAVA
- Dept. of Community Affairs
- Treasury
- State Climatologist
- OHS&P





# Additional Information

## For additional information:

- Bergen County Plan
- [www.ready.nj.gov](http://www.ready.nj.gov)
- Go to NJOEM Programs (left side of page)
- Click on Mitigation – Reducing Risk link





# Additional Information

- [www.fema.gov](http://www.fema.gov)
  - Search HMA guidance
  - Read through HMGP sections





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