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2016 CDBG SC income limits.xlsx

Governor - this week's SITREP for your review and comments:

1. Eight Days of Hope – We have a team in Williamsburg and Georgetown counties this week with the “Eight Days of Hope” team. We believe they have the ability to assist over 200 families in 8 days. They requested a hands-on visit to the area to better assess the potential recovery operations. Areas they will visit include: Area long-term recovery groups; Faith-based organizations; potential warehouses; potential lodging/shower/dining sites; meeting with the disaster case management team; meeting with county building code inspectors; among others. That said – it is still a competition for resourcing. Other states are competing for their help, but I still feel encouraged about them coming to SC. There is an expectation to support this effort with funding – we’ve been working with the ONESC Fund team for about \$150K in assistance for supplies. A tiny investment to get 200 families back in their homes! Assuming we can pull it together, the team is tentatively looking at mid-August to mid-September as execution dates.

2. The Federal Register has still not been published yet. We are led to believe that it will be published by the second week of May now. Of note, HUD is in the process of hiring a company to provide CDBG-DR expertise here in Columbia vice using staff in DC.

3. The SCDR team has briefed the State Disaster Recovery Steering Committee on the CDBG-DR process and timeline for actions. They made the decision that we (the State) will not support recovery operations in Richland, Lexington, and Columbia. We are nearing the completion of the Unmet Needs Analysis, have developed draft eligibility criteria and multiple disbursement options for the Steering Committee. We have now conducted

multiple reviews of the RFP and will refine this document based on the Federal Register, unmet needs analysis, and Steering Committee eligibility criteria and disbursement options selected.

4. While the Unmet Needs Analysis is not finalized, it has been an illustrative venture thus far. At this point, it appears the total amount of unmet needs fluctuates wildly based upon planning factors recommended by HUD and contractors (examples provided by attachment). The data is being messaged with assistance from Josh and Commerce as we speak. The first document outlines the average FEMA payout amount and average payout rate from the last several disasters. The second document defines the LMI (low and moderate income) understanding, which drives CDBG-DR expenditures. Lastly, I've attached the LMI rates for each of our 24 counties. Our intent is to incrementally support families from most vulnerable to least. Key components are likely to be income, size of family, age of occupants (over 65 and those with children 5 and under), disabilities of family members, etc.

5. The SCDR team sent five personnel to Emmetsburg, MD last week to attend the National Disaster Recovery Framework training. All personnel were exceptionally positive regarding the training provided, better understanding how our activities are nested with the National Objectives supporting recovery operations. We believe that by getting our personnel trained, we will provide South Carolina resident capability in our Governmental personnel for future disasters, much like what currently exists for Emergency Support Functions that EMD oversees. Of note, we found it interesting that FEMA stated that SC is ahead of other states with our focus on recovery and vulnerable populations. They did believe that SC should explore the establishment of a permanent Disaster Recovery Office.

6. DHEC led an outreach forum at Midlands Tech to inform and educate the public on the Zika virus and useful preventative measures. This forum included presentations from SCPRT, SCDHEC, Beaufort County, and the City of Hartsville. This forum was attended by over 160 participants and provided valuable information on what steps everyone can do to prevention the spread of Zika and what some mosquito control program are actively doing to decrease the mosquito population.

7. DHEC hosted a multi-agency meeting including SCDOT, SCDNR, the National Resource Conservation Services, Army Corps of Engineers, the City of Rock Hill, and the City of North Augusta to discuss state's drainage issues. There have been numerous complaints of standing water and drainage issues in ditches, private property, road ways, etc. Participants discussed how best to resolve complaints which are not in anyone's regulatory responsibility (e.g., private property). Each participating agency will create a short one-page summary to provide steps property owners, counties, towns/cities, and the state government can take to prevent these drainage issues. An outreach campaign will be initiated to ensure the best possible customer service and resolve constituent's issues as rapidly as possible.

8. We participated in a meeting with Hearts & Hands (disaster case management [DCM] team) and SCEMD. Hearts & Hands remains concerned about transient housing during

repair operations. We asked them to prioritize case management efforts in Williamsburg and Georgetown counties to support the Eight Days of Hope data collection and preparation.

We also informed SCEMD and the FEMA Individual Assistance representative that we would like to move the DCM contract under the Department of Commerce so that we can best align and synchronize recovery functions.

9. We briefed officials from Lexington, Richland, and Columbia on the COP, SoVI, and the state's perspective on the CDBG-DR "way ahead". They understood our timeline and our intent not to support their recovery efforts with any state allocated CDBG-DR funding. There was considerable dialogue on the 'governing bodies' for all of the entities – who and how would make the decisions for the two counties and Columbia on allocations and prioritization.

10. We held a teleconference with Recovery personnel from Louisiana last week. They were mostly interested in our analysis of most vulnerable populations and how we use that to target (prioritize) recovery resources.

11. Housing. Nothing significant to report.

12. VOADs (Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster). Nothing significant to report.

13. LTRGs (Long-term Recovery Groups). Nothing significant to report.

14. Funding. None to report.

15. Barriers to rebuilding efforts. None to report.

16. Legislative issues. None to report.

17. Concerns/Issues. No change.

Respectfully,
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