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Mitigation and Recovery Program Report

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DHSEM is coordinating the following mitigation and recovery efforts with government, private-nonprofit organization, and other critical partners.



Christian Public Service (CPS) provides voluntary services needed such as labor to rebuild after natural disasters. CSP helped repair a Mobile Home Unit belonging to a family affected by the floods.

Assistance for Individuals, Households and Small Businesses

Program FEMA Disaster Case Management Program (DCM)
Lead State Agency DHSEM
DHSEM POC Robyn Knappe, State Voluntary Agency Liaison (VAL)
Program Update

- Individual Assistance (IA)

- We currently still have five families in Mobile Home Units (MHUs). The case managers are working very hard with the last few families which have not yet found a temporary or permanent solution for housing near the end of the FEMA Mobile Home Unit Program. The FEMA MHU program ends March 14, 2015.
- Disaster Case Management (DCM)
 - The Disaster Case Management Program has very exciting news to announce. We have hired two employees for the DCM Program. Chuck Sullivan is the new DCM Program Manager. Chuck comes from Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Denver with many years of experience in non-profits. His strengths are in the areas of management, financial accounting and facilities, in addition to case management supervision. Chuck has a Master of Business Administration (MBA) from Regis University. Chuck and Robyn are currently developing a PowerPoint presentation for the 2015 Emergency Management Conference next week. Jaclyn Kurlle is the new DCM Administrative Assistant. Jaclyn graduated from the University of South Carolina with a Master of Public Administration (MPA). Prior to coming onboard DHSEM, Jaclyn was working at Trinity Washington University (Washington, DC) as an Alumnae Affairs Coordinator. Please welcome Chuck and Jaclyn at the Emergency Management Conference next week!

Donations Management

DHSEM POC Robyn Knappe, State Voluntary Agency Liaison (VAL)

Program Update

- A Donations/Volunteers Coordination meeting will be held at 10 a.m. on March 3, 2015 at the American Red Cross, 444 Sherman Street, Denver, CO 80203.

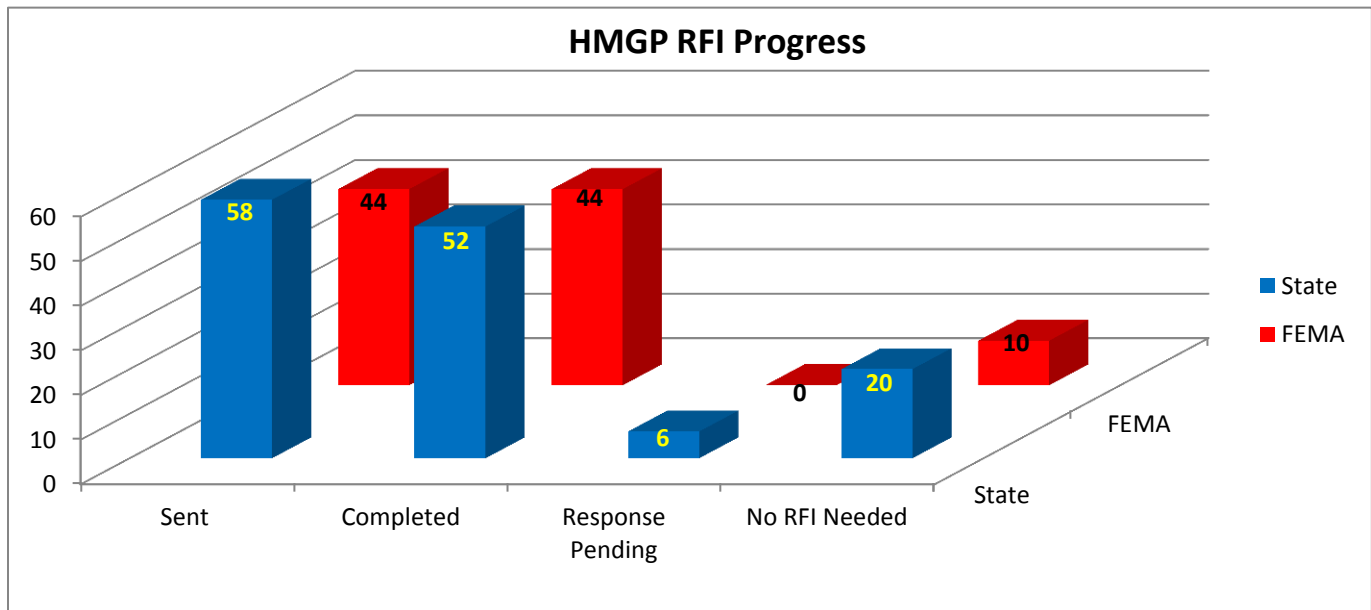
Hazard Mitigation

Program FEMA Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP)
Lead State Agency DHSEM
DHSEM POC Scott Baldwin, Mitigation Specialist
Guidance FEMA HMGP guidance documents may be found at <http://www.fema.gov/hazard-mitigation-grant-program>

Program Update

HMGP is open for five disasters: DRs 1762, 4067, 4133, 4134, and 4145.

- The Mitigation team has submitted seventy-two HMGP applications to FEMA for formal review. Based on the FEMA six-month HMGP estimate, twenty-one applications fell below the original fiscal constraint line. These applications remain to be submitted to FEMA while the State is reviewing applications and developing the State Request for Information (RFIs). The remaining applications will be submitted to FEMA at the end of February and March. The State is determining application completeness prior to submitting, and those that are the most complete will be submitted first. Sub-applicants in this second pool will be notified when their application is formally submitted to FEMA for review.
- If a FEMA RFI is generated, it will be communicated to the sub-applicant via DHSEM email. Sub-applicant responses to FEMA RFIs in thirty days are mandatory. Sub-applicants are *highly advised* to provide their FEMA RFI response to the State within fourteen calendar days of receipt. This will allow for State review and comment prior to FEMA submission. Failure to provide responses to the State within the fourteen day period will result in responses being sent to FEMA without review. Failure to respond to a FEMA RFI within the thirty day deadline will result in project removal from the HMGP. Projects can only be reinstated in the HMGP through an extended appeal process.



- Monthly HMGP conference calls are resuming for current HMGP sub-applicants. These calls will be on the second Friday of the month at 9 a.m. to discuss program and HMGP process updates. The next call is scheduled for this Friday, March 13, 2015, with call-in and agenda information emailed directly to current sub-applicants.
- Mini-conference calls for HMGP projects by type will be scheduled to coordinate questions and timelines. Proposed times and schedules will be communicated to project contacts soon.
- Call notes, synopsis and project timeline/Gantt Charts will be posted to the DHSEM Mitigation website soon.
- **Are you curious about your HMGP application?** The Mitigation team will be reaching out to sub-applicants over the next two weeks to discuss the progress of your HMGP application(s) and answer any questions you may have. Your patience is greatly appreciated during this process and we look forward to speaking with you soon.
- **Tip of the Week:** Are you informed? To receive the latest Mitigation information and news visit coemergency.com.

Program Mitigation Planning
Lead State Agency DHSEM
DHSEM POC Patricia Gavelda, Mitigation Planner
Program Update

- Two Hazard Mitigation Plans (HMP) are under State review (Fremont & Mesa)
- Four local HMPs are currently in Approval Pending Adoption (APA) status (Summit, Grand, Teller, Hinsdale)
- DHSEM received an additional adoption from Grand County (3 of 14 adoptions as of February 9, 2015)
- Two additional County HMPs will be submitted for State review soon (El Paso & Costilla)
- Two county HMPs are in the planning process (Boulder and Douglas)
- DHSEM received the final adoption from Prowers County for the SE Region HMP (19 total adopting jurisdictions)
- DHSEM is preparing DR-4145-CO planning grant contracts and award letters for thirteen (13) jurisdictions

Infrastructure

Program FEMA Public Assistance Program (PA)
Lead State Agency DHSEM
DHSEM POC Johan Barrios, Recovery Specialist
Guidance <http://www.fema.gov/public-assistance-local-state-tribal-and-non-profit/>

Program Update

- In the last week, eleven requests for reimbursements (RFRs) were submitted, and eighteen RFRs have been recommended for payment. The total amount of RFRs is now at 805, of which 450 are recommended for payment and 153 were returned to the sub-grantees for additional information. The remaining 202 are in progress. The total amount requested is \$117.5 million, and \$99.3 million is considered initially eligible. \$48.0 million has been recommended for payment, \$24.5 million has been returned to sub-grantees for additional information, and \$45.0 million is still in progress.
- Seven requests for scope changes were submitted in the last week, and two were completed or deferred to closeout. The total amount of scope change requests is now 216 of which 141 are completed or deferred to closeout, and thirty-three were returned to the sub-grantees for additional information. The remaining forty-two are in progress.
- **Announcements:**
 - Next PA call will be February 27, 2015 at 9 a.m. Call in information and presentation will be sent out prior to the call.
 - As discussed on the last call, the State will be releasing information on force account labor (FAL) costs and cost reasonableness. The release of this information was delayed due to programmatic changes being discussed with FEMA. We hope to have this guidance ready in the coming weeks.
 - The hiring of project specialists and finance specialists is still in progress. All interviews were conducted, conditional offers have been made to eligible applicants, and State staff is moving applicants forward in the background check process.
 - Thank you to all that submitted time extension requests on time. The State is working diligently to have responses to all requests within the next two to three weeks.
- **Important Dates:** The timeline for completion of permanent work is March 14, 2015, unless an extension has been granted.

Program HUD CDBG-DR Infrastructure (CDBG-DR)
Lead State Agency DHSEM
DHSEM POC Justine Willman, Recovery Specialist
Guidance Action Plan - <http://dola.colorado.gov/cdbg-dr/content/action-plans>
Forms <http://dola.colorado.gov/cdbg-dr/content/impacted-areas>
Program Update

- CDBG-DR Infrastructure Guidelines and Notice of Intent (NOIs) / Application are posted on the DOLA CDBG-DR website. Round two NOI's were due by 5 p.m. on February 13, 2015 and Applications will be due by 5 p.m. on May 29, 2015. See www.dola.colorado.gov/cdbg-dr for a link to the online Notice of Intent / Application and supporting documents.
- The following table summarizes the grant award status of the CDBG-DR Infrastructure Program:

Infrastructure (\$19.4M)	Count		Dollar Amount	
	This Week	Cumulative	This Week	Cumulative
Projects accepted through NOI	0	53	\$0	\$17,781,861
Applications Received	0	54	\$0	\$17,551,905
Award Letters	0	50	\$0	\$15,416,218

- Ongoing CDBG-DR activities include:
 - Acquisition contract for Boulder County (Jamestown) went out for signature on January 28, 2015. A few minor corrections were made and the contract was sent back out for signature on February 5, 2015.

- Working on Fish Creek Utilities contract for Town of Estes Park and Upper Thompson Sanitation District. A few minor corrections were made and the contract was sent back out for signature on February 13, 2015.
- Contract for Manitou Springs was received back from Grantee and sent to DOLA for final execution.
- Contract for Milliken was received back from Grantee and will be sent to DOLA for final execution.
- Working on contract for Nederland, will send to DOLA for their review this week.
- Working on contract for City of Evans.
- Working on additional contract for Upper Thompson Sanitation District.
- Upcoming Activities:
 - Will be disseminating the dispute resolution and appeal process for CDBG-DR Infrastructure in the upcoming week.
 - Summary list of Round 2 NOIs and next steps guidance letters will be made available next Monday.

Volunteer Coordination

Lead State Agency Colorado DHSEM
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Program Update

- Christian Public Service (CPS)
 - Christian Public Service is committed to provide places for voluntary service for Christian Youth of the Church of God in Christ Mennonite. This past week, CSP helped repair a Mobile Home Unit for a family affected by the floods. The family lived in Evans at the time of the floods then moved to Platteville and bought another mobile home. The mobile home was in need of skirting, so the CSP worked hard to provide this for the family.



Christian Public Service provided services to rebuild the skirting on a mobile home for a family affected by the floods.

- Colorado Voluntary Organizations Active in Disasters (COVAD)
 - The annual COVOAD Conference will be held on Thursday, February 26, 2015, from 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., and is integrated with the 2015 Colorado Emergency Management Conference. Election of officers will take place at 12:30 p.m. Please email Kristy Judd at kjudd@metrovolunteers.org to secure a spot at the free COVOAD conference.

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