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CITY COUNCIL BRIEFING  
REPORT  
JULY 19, 2016



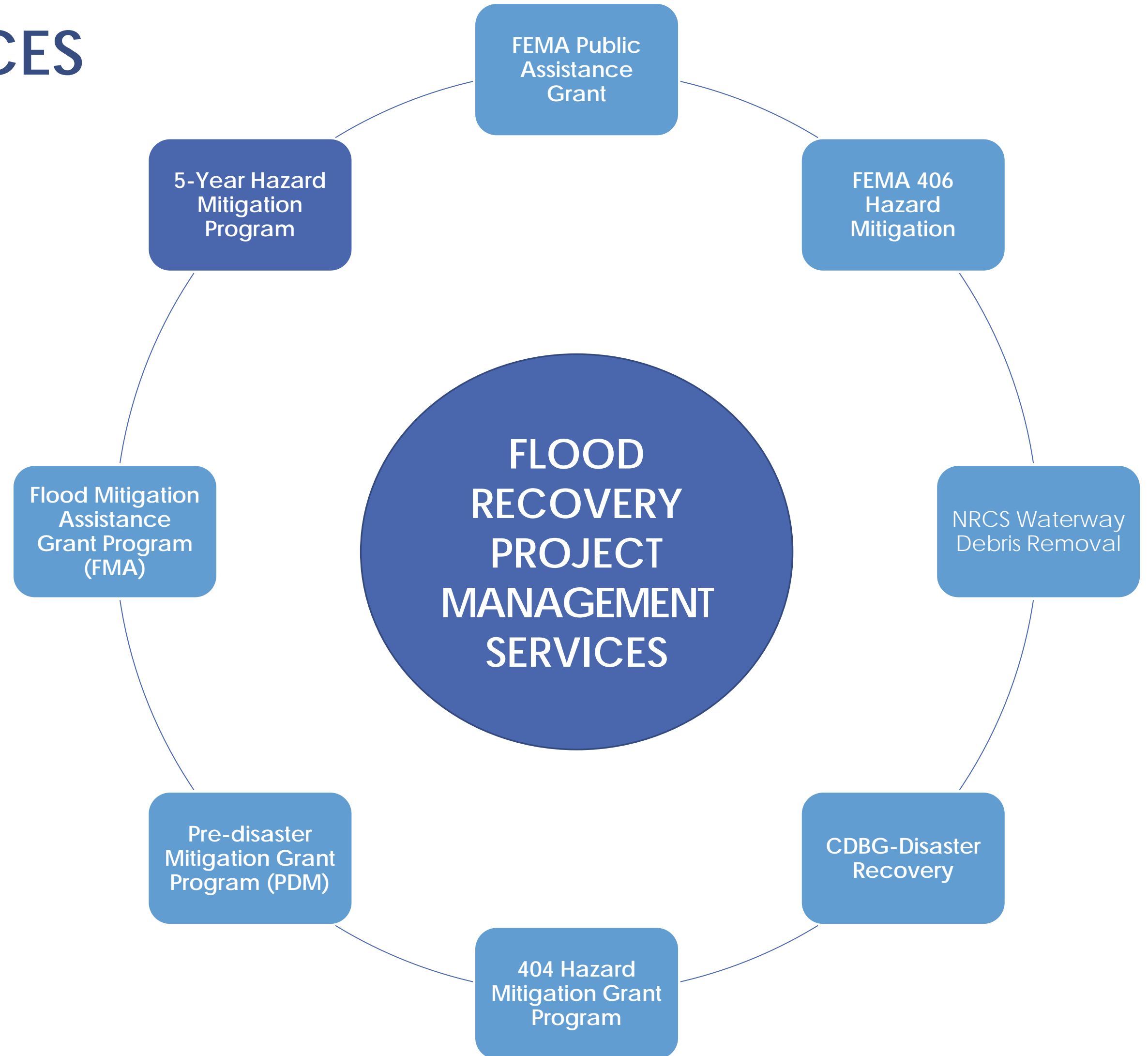
## SUMMARY OF FUNDING SOURCES

### CURRENT:

- FEMA Public Assistance Grant
- FEMA 406 Hazard Mitigation
- CDBG-Disaster Recovery
- 404 Hazard Mitigation Grant Program
- NRCS Waterway Debris Removal
- Pre-disaster Mitigation Grant Program (PDM)
- Flood Mitigation Assistance Grant Program (FMA)

### PLANNING:

- 5-year Hazard Mitigation Plan





## CITY TASK FORCE

### COMMITTEE

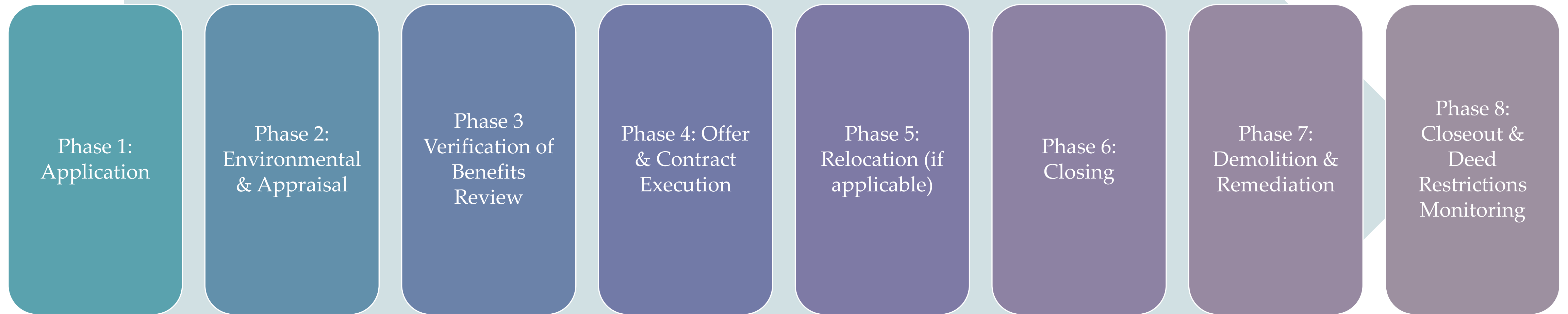
- Public Works
- Planning and Development
- City Engineer
- Flood Plain Manager
- City Program Manager
- Staff Support:
  - Project Manager
  - Case Manager

### OBJECTIVES

- Identified 236 properties
- Determine eligible properties:
  - 25% or more damaged
  - In 100 year flood plain
  - Repetitive loss
- Prioritize properties
- Manage approval process
- Request grant sources
- Case management for applicants



## ACQUISITION PROCESS





## 404 Hazard Mitigation Grant Program

The State prioritizes and selects projects that are cost effective and reduce repetitive losses in the following categories: housing, dams, planning, other; local governments “compete” for funding.

### PROJECT GRANTS

- Property owners may receive assistance up to the pre-event fair market value of their real property
- City will establish a process which must be approved by SCEMD/ FEMA
- Increased cost of Compliance claims can be used for grant match, demolition or structure relocation.
- ***Once acquired by the City, the property must be dedicated in perpetuity for open space, recreational, or wetlands management***



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### PROJECT GRANTS

- ***The State will reduce buyout assistance by any duplication of benefits:***
  - Payments made to homeowners for repair assistance;
  - Insurance settlements;
  - Small Business Administration loans;
  - Any other payments made to address the property loss.
  - Unless the owner can provide receipts showing that benefits were used for their intended purpose to make repairs to the property.



## Pre-Disaster Mitigation Grant Program (PDM)

The grant is funded through the FEMA Regional Office and its goal is to reduce overall risk to the population and structures from future hazard events, while also reducing reliance on federal funding from future disasters.

### PROJECT GRANTS

- FEMA will prioritize the competitive projects for selection:
  - Climate Resilient Mitigation Activities
  - Non-Flood hazard mitigation projects
  - Acquisition, elevation and mitigation reconstruction projects
  - Generators for critical facilities included in a FEMA approved mitigation plan
- FEMA will further prioritize competitive sub-applications
  - Small, impoverished communities
  - FEMA –validated residential or commercial Building Code Effectiveness Grading Schedule from 1 to 10
  - FEMA-validated Benefit Cost Ratio for projects.

### PLANNING GRANTS

- Mitigation planning and planning activities
- Requires 25% match

*\*The State is eligible for up to \$575,000 for 2016.*

*\*PDM is a competitive grant that is available every year.*



## Flood Mitigation Assistance Grant Program (FMA)

The grant is funded through the National Flood Insurance Fund (NFIP) and its goal is to reduce flooding of property through mitigation, thereby, reducing flood insurance claims.

### PROJECT GRANTS

- Includes mitigation projects such as elevation, relocation, demolition, acquisition, and flood risk reduction projects.
- Must have a NFIP insurance policy on the structure being mitigated or directly benefit an NFIP structure
- Community must have an approved Hazard Mitigation Plan
- Project must have a Benefit Cost Ratio (BCR) of 1 or greater  
OR
- If the project cost is at or below the following amounts, no BCR is required
  - \$276,000 for acquisitions
  - \$175,000 for elevations
- Must meet the following cost share requirements
  - Insured properties: up to 75% grant funded and 25% match
  - Repetitive Loss Properties: up to 90% funded and 25% match
  - Severe Repetitive Loss Properties: up to 100% funded

### PLANNING GRANTS

- Up to \$25,000 available for a community to create/update a flood hazard section of their Hazard Mitigation Plan
- Community must have an approved Hazard Mitigation Plan
- Requires 25% match

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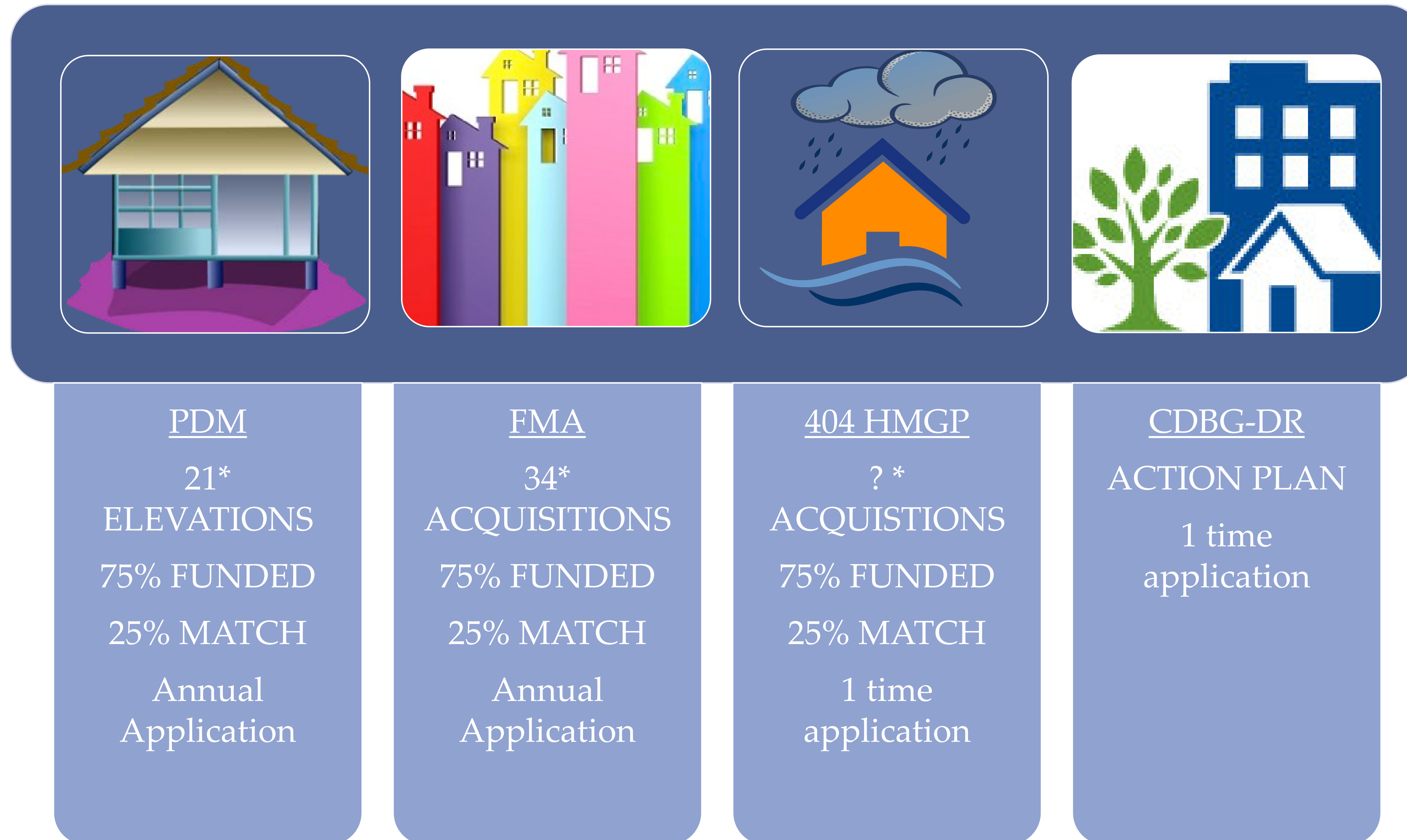
## PROGRAM MILESTONES

ACTIVITY	SOURCE	DATE
Final Application	FMA	6/06/16
Risk Analysis & Implementation Plan	CDBG-DR	7/22/16
Stakeholder Meeting- Columbia Housing Authority	CDBG-DR	7/22/16
Public Information Session- Editso Discovery Park	CDBG-DR	7/28/16
HOMEOWNER APPLICATION DEADLINE	404 HMGP	8/12/16
Public Information Session- Drew Wellness Center	CDBG-DR	8/25/16
Anticipated Award Date	FMA	8/30/16
Anticipated Award Date	PDM	8/31/16
404 Application Due	404 HMGP	9/1/16
Final Action Plan Due to HUD	CDBG-DR	9/20/16
State submits to FEMA	404 HMGP	10/1/16
HUD Review Period Closes	CDBG-DR	11/4/16



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## SUMMARY



\*Numbers are subject to change



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## CDBG-DR FEDERAL REGISTER NOTICE

- Establishes rules for the use of the city's \$19.98M HUD grant
- Requires submission of a Risk Analysis and Implementation Plan by **July 22<sup>nd</sup>**
- Federal Register requires submission of final Action Plan to HUD by **September 20<sup>th</sup>**
- HUD review period closes no later than 60 days after Action Plan's submission (**November 19<sup>th</sup>**)





## OVERVIEW of CDBG-DR

- Activities must meet a HUD CDBG National Objective
- Activities must be related to an "unmet need" from the October Flood event
- 70% of the benefit of the overall grant must go to Low-Moderate Income Households
- All funds must be expended within 6 years of grant execution



# COMMUNITY



## OVERVIEW of CONSIDERED ACTIVITIES

### Housing

- Housing rehabilitation
- Housing elevation assistance
- Affordable housing development
- Property acquisition

### Economic Development

- EDA Disaster loan fund capitalization

### Infrastructure

- Wastewater & Water Projects
- Storm Water Projects





## DISASTER RECOVERY PUBLIC OUTREACH SCHEDULE

- 7/22, 10:00 AM – “Stakeholder Meeting” at the Columbia Housing Authority (Joint with Richland County).
- 7/28 Public Information & Stakeholder Session  
Edisto Discovery Park  
1914 Wiley Street  
6 - 8 PM
- 8/25 Public Information Session  
Drew Wellness Center  
2101 Walker Solomon Way  
6 – 8 PM
- The City will also have a website dedicated to the CDBG-DR Program that will include the ability for the public to comment on the proposed Action Plan and access to information.



Thank you.