

# Repair, Rebuild, and Recover from Storm Damages

MANATEE COUNTY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT DISASTER RECOVERY HOME RECOVERY PROGRAM

The Manatee County Community Development Block Grant Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR) Home Recovery Program (HRP) provides repair and reconstruction assistance to eligible homeowners whose primary residences were damaged or destroyed by Hurricanes Debby, Helene, or Milton ("2024 Hurricanes").

For assistance with the HRP Application materials, including language translation assistance, please contact (941) 742-4787 or [info@lastingmanatee.org](mailto:info@lastingmanatee.org). To request reasonable accommodations for persons with disabilities, contact Carmine DeMilio, ADA Compliance Coordinator at (941) 748-4501, ext. 6016 or [carmine.demilio@mymanatee.org](mailto:carmine.demilio@mymanatee.org), at least 3 business days prior to any scheduled meeting.

To learn more about the HRP, visit [www.lastingmanatee.org](http://www.lastingmanatee.org).

This program is funded through the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) CDBG-DR Program. Language assistance and accommodations for persons with disabilities are available upon request. Program eligibility and funding are subject to HUD requirements and available resources. Manatee County is an Equal Housing Opportunity provider.

## 1. Pre-Application and Invitation to Apply

Interested homeowners will complete a Pre-Application. Conditionally eligible homeowners will be invited to complete a full application for HRP assistance.

## 2. Complete the Full HRP Application

Applicants will be assigned an Applicant Eligibility Specialist to answer questions and provide guidance throughout the application process as needed. The full HRP Application will require supporting documentation to further verify eligibility, including, but not limited to:

- ✓ Identification
- ✓ Income
- ✓ Ownership and primary residency
- ✓ Storm damage

Failure to provide documentation may delay or impact eligibility determination.

## 3. Conduct Home Inspection

Program staff will schedule a home inspection and an environmental review of the damaged home. All Applicants must ensure access to the property at the time of inspection. Staff will generate a report outlining the estimated cost of repair, and if applicable, the scope of work required for rehabilitation or reconstruction assistance under HRP.

## 4. Award Determination

Program staff will determine the award amount for each Applicant based on the estimated cost of repair and a duplication of benefits analysis.

## 5. Receipt and Execution of Award Letter and Homeowner Grant Agreement

Eligible Applicants will receive an HRP Award Letter. The Award Letter will outline the terms of the award as well as the steps the Applicant must take to accept the award. After the Award Letter is sent, Applicant(s) will review and execute a Homeowner Grant Agreement which contains homeownership requirements and, if applicable, flood insurance requirements. All owners of the assisted unit must sign the Homeowner Grant Agreement before any work can begin.

## 6. Repair or Reconstruction

Following homeowner selection of a Manatee County-vetted contractor, the repair or reconstruction process of the home may begin.