

# Office of Long-Term Resiliency Subrecipient Monthly Progress Report (MPR)

Grant No Sub. Name:	MT047 – City of Lakeland			
Project Title:	Lake Bonnet Drainage Basin Flood Hazard and Debris Mitigation Project			
Funding Awarded:	\$42,986,390.00			
Agreement Period:	10/27/2022 - 10/26/2028			
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#### Activity Reporting Period: **SEPTEMBER 2024**

An update of this report shall be submitted to FloridaCommerce ten (10) calendar days after the end of each month.

#### **Section One - Financial Data:**

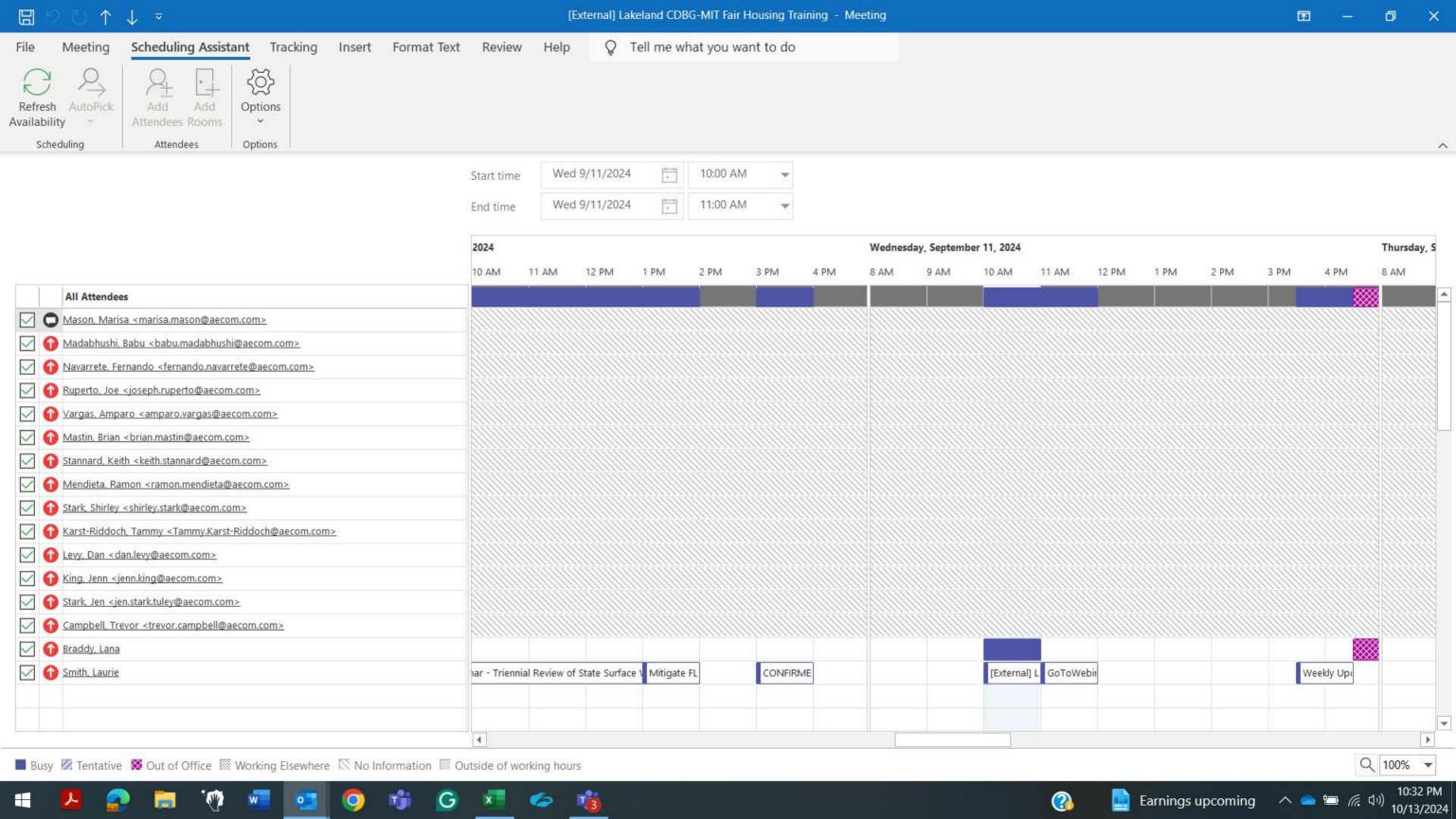
	Amount	Funds used this period	Funds used to date	Balance Remaining
Leverage Funds (A) *	.00	.00	.00	.00
CDBG-MIT Funds (B)	42,986,390.00	742,311.24	742,311.24	42,244,078.76
TOTAL Project Funds (A+B)	42,986,390.00	742,311.24	742,311.24	42,244,078.76

<sup>\*</sup> PLEASE SUBMIT COPIES OF SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION FOR LEVERAGE FUNDS USED TO YOUR GRANT MANAGER ON A MONTHLY BASIS.

Section Two - Accomplishments within the Past Month:

9/10/2024 - Preparation and submittal of August 2024 MPR DOC Project Manager. The City also submitted Modification 5 to Attachment C to DOC to align with the Consultant's minor updates to the project schedule. The City received an email from the DOC Project Manager approving the modification. 9/11/2024 - Attended Q3 Fair Housing Training TEAMs meeting with AECOM and City staff. (Training Presentation attached). The City's Consultant, AECOM, completed the following activities: 9/11/2024 - Conducted Q3 Fair Housing Training TEAMs meeting with AECOM and City staff. (Training Presentation attached). Section Three - Issues or risks that have been faced with resolutions: None. Section Four - Projected activities to be completed within the following Month: AECOM is finalizing the draft Feasibility Study Report and will submit the Report to the City for review and comment the first week of October. AECOM and City Staff are finalizing the details, collaterals, and public notice for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Public Information Meeting scheduled for November 12, 2024, to present the Feasibility Study. **Section Five – Required Submissions:**  Attachment B - Project Budget Yes □ No ⊠ > Has the Project Budget changed? > If answered "Yes", please submit: The Revised Attachment B for review and approval. The **explanation** for the change. \*See explanation above. Attachment C - Activity Work Plan Yes ⊠ Has the Activity Work Plan/Project Timeline changed? No  $\boxtimes$ > If answered "Yes", please submit: ♦ The **Revised Attachment C** for review and approval. ◆ The explanation for the change. Staffing Plan Were there any Staffing changes? ➤ If answered "Yes", please submit the Revised Staffing Plan which will Yes □ No ⊠ include the Revised Org Chart and Updated names and Job descriptions.

Pro ≽	quipment Transfer/Disposal and Tr oject) Were there Equipment Transferred/Dis If answered "Yes", please request a con- Transfer/Disposal Form and disposition Manager. Complete and submit the Equ	Yes □ Yes □	No ⊠ No ⊠				
>	Any Equipment purchased specifically  If answered "Yes", please submit an understanding Log listing the current equipment dates, etc. for monitoring purposes.	. 55					
Section Six - Construction/Plan Updates:							
>	Have you started Construction?  If "No", please provide Estimated Construction.  Date:	Yes □	No ⊠				
	> If answered "Yes", please answer nex						
>	Percentage of Overall Construction/Pla (Approximate)	%					
<b>\</b>	Percentage of Overall Construction/Planext month? (Approximate)	%					
>	<ul> <li>Have you provided 3 to 5 photos showing Construction or Planning Activities (Outreach meetings, etc) progress for this month? – <u>If not</u>, please attach photos to this report.</li> <li>Please remember to submit, 3 to 5 different photos <u>each month</u> showing Construction progress.</li> </ul>			No ⊠			
This report was prepared by:		Signature and date:					
Lana R. Braddy		Lana R. Braddy	10/10/2024				





# City of Lakeland CDBG-MIT Fair Housing Training



# **CDBG-MIT Funding History**

In **April 2018**, HUD announced that the State of Florida Department of Commerce (DOC) [formerly the Department of Economic Opportunity] would receive funding to support long-term mitigation efforts following declared disasters in 2016 and 2017 through HUD's Community Development Block Grant Mitigation (CDBG-MIT) program.

On **April 16, 2021**, the DOC selected the City of Lakeland to receive CDBG-MIT grant funds based on the Lake Bonnet Drainage Basin Flood Hazard and Debris Mitigation application submitted for the Rebuild Florida Mitigation General Infrastructure Program.

The City entered into an agreement with Florida DEO on October 27, 2022; with a 6 year period of performance.

### Why Are We Here Today?

HUD is one of the primary Federal agencies with the responsibility for enforcing compliance with the Fair Housing Act. On January 23, 1989, HUD published its final rule implementing the Fair Housing Act.

As an agency that is primarily focused on housing, HUD requires all grantees commit to Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing (AFFH) and as such, regardless of the type of project, each grantee must undertake fair housing activities.

### Why Are We Here Today?

As a condition for the receipt of CDBG-MIT funds, each Subrecipient must certify that it will "affirmatively further fair housing" in its community. *Each subrecipient shall do the following:* 

- Have in place a fair housing resolution or ordinance that covers all Federally protected classes
- 2. Designate an employee as the Fair Housing Coordinator who is available during regular business hours
- 3. Publish the Fair Housing Coordinator's contact information quarterly in a newspaper of general circulation in the Subrecipient's jurisdiction so that people know who to call to ask fair housing questions complaint.
- 4. Establish a system to record the following for each fair housing call
- 5. Conduct at least one fair housing activity <u>each quarter</u>. Identical activities (see examples below) shall not be conducted in consecutive quarters; and
- 6. Display a fair housing poster in the CDBG-MIT Office.

## **Examples of fair housing activities:**

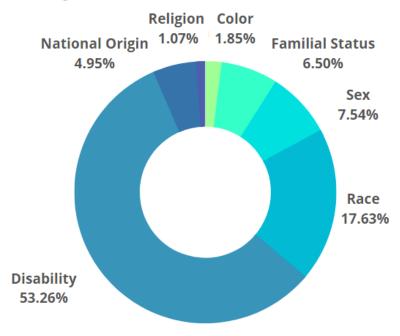
- 1. Making fair housing presentations at schools, civic clubs and neighborhood association meetings;
- Conducting a fair housing poster contest or an essay contest;
- 3. Manning a booth and distributing fair housing materials at libraries, health fairs, community events, yard sales and church festivals; and
- 4. Conducting fair housing workshops for city/ county employees, realtors, bank and mortgage company employees, insurance agents and apartment complex owners.

# Who are HUD's Fair Housing Act Protected Classes?

- Race
- > Color
- Religion
- Sex (Including Gender Identity And Sexual Orientation)
- Disability
- Familial Status; or
- National Origin

# 2022 HUD Statistics – Discrimination cases - Protected classes

# **Breakdown of Discrimination Complaints - National Trends**



### What are Public Accommodations?

A Public Accommodation is defined as "places or resorts of amusement", for example: lodging; restaurants; retail establishments; library or educational facilities; public conveyances, including taxis, limousines and buses.

# What does discrimination in a place Public Accommodation look like?

- 1. Directly or indirectly, to refuse or withhold from any person any goods, services, facilities, privileges, advantages and accommodations of any place of public accommodation.
- 2. Directly or indirectly, to publish, display, post, or mail any written or printed communication that indicates that any person within the protected classes is unwelcome, objectionable or not acceptable.
- 3. Directly or indirectly, to segregate any person at a place of public accommodation.

### **Disability as a Protected Class**

### Considering disability a protected class:

- Gives people with disabilities greater freedom to choose where they will live and greater freedom to visit friends and relatives.
- Proactively address the needs of an evolving population while looking at future needs.
- Allow people to remain in and safely use their dwellings longer.

### **Disability Reasonable Accommodation Guardrails**

#### What should I do when I receive a request?

- Review and ensure your reasonable accommodations policy is consistent with the Acts and the HUD/DOJ Memorandum on Reasonable Accommodations.
- Accept verbal requests.
- ➤ If the disability is not obvious or the need is not obvious, request appropriate reliable disability-related information.
- Provide prompt responses to reasonable accommodation requests.
- Document your actions.

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# **HUD Fair Housing and Economic Opportunity (FHEO)**

**HUD FHEO Website** 

# Florida Department of Commerce (DOC)

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Or by Mail

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Resiliency
Florida Department of Economic
Opportunity
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The Caldwell Building, MSC 420
Tallahassee, Florida 32399

# **Questions?**

