

# APPENDIX F

### APPENDIX F – POTENTIAL FUNDING SOURCES

Appendix F includes a listing of potential funding sources available for mitigation project implementation.

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Polk County continuously explores available funding sources to provide mitigation projects by utilizing resources at the local, state, and federal levels and by being in continued contact with funding agencies and partners throughout the region. All mitigation funding activities are required to follow the guidelines as shown in the Hazard Mitigation Assistance Unified Guidance, FEMA, July 2013. All projects must be cost beneficial and technically feasible.

**The Florida Department of Emergency Management maintains a list of potential mitigation funding sources on SharePoint.**

The following are potential sources of funding and assistance that may be used to carry out the objectives of the Local Mitigation Strategy Plan.

#### Funding and Assistance through the Bureau of Land Management (BLM)

##### Community Assistance and Protection Program

**Purpose:** Focus on mitigation/prevention, education, and outreach. The mitigation/prevention experts addresses reduction of wildland fire threats and losses to communities and natural resources by taking actions before a fire starts. National Fire Prevention and Education teams are sent to areas across the country at-risk for wildland fire. The teams work with local residents to help reduce the number of human-caused fires and implement wildland fire prevention programs. The BLM also facilitates FIREWISE and other workshops to help people live safely in the wildland-urban interface. Other specialists assist communities by completing comprehensive wildland-urban interface community risk assessments and plans.

**Contact Information:**

BLM Washington Office  
1849 C Street NW, Rm. 5665  
Washington DC 20240  
(202)208-3801  
[http://www.blm.gov/nifc/st/en/prog/fire/community\\_assistance.html](http://www.blm.gov/nifc/st/en/prog/fire/community_assistance.html)

##### Firewise Communities Program

**Purpose:** To educate communities on the best way to make homes and neighborhoods safer from wildfire. From the basics of defensible space and sound landscaping techniques to research on how homes ignite (and what can be done about it), there are tips, tools and teachings.

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### Contact Information:

BLM Washington Office  
1849 C Street NW, Rm. 5665  
Washington DC 20240  
(202)208-3801  
<http://www.firewise.org/>

## Funding and Assistance through the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP)

### Conservation and Recreation Lands (CARL)

**Purpose:** This intention of this grant program is to conserve environmentally endangered lands and provide resource conservation measures for other types of lands.

### Contact Information:

Florida Department of Environmental Protection  
Division of State Lands  
Marjory Stoneman Douglas Bldg.  
3900 Commonwealth Blvd., MS 100  
Tallahassee, FL 32399-3000  
(850) 245-2118  
[www.dep.state.fl.us/lands/](http://www.dep.state.fl.us/lands/)

### Expanded Local Management Hazardous Waste Program

**Purpose:** The primary purpose of this fund through the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) is to cover costs incurred to establish the expanded local hazardous waste management program as stated in Section 403.7238, Florida Statutes including training for county personnel, materials and equipment for educational activities.

### Contact Information:

Florida Department of Environmental Protection  
3900 Commonwealth Boulevard M.S. 49  
Tallahassee, Florida 32399  
(850-245-2118)  
<http://www.dep.state.fl.us/>

### Florida Communities Trust (FCT)

**Purpose:** This grant program facilitates the purchase of lands for conservation and/or recreation purposes by local governments. This land acquisition program helps to implement conservation, recreation, open space, and coastal elements of local comprehensive plans. The Board of Florida Communities Trust has latitude to consider innovative

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financing arrangement, loans, and land swaps. However, most of the Trust's funding is for land acquisition. Land acquisition projects in which matching funds are available will receive more favorable consideration, although a portion of available funds may be awarded on outright grants.

### Contact Information:

Florida Department of Environmental Protection  
Florida Communities Trust  
3900 Commonwealth Blvd, M.S. 100  
Tallahassee, FL 32399  
(850) 245-2555  
<http://www.dep.state.fl.us/>

## Funding and Assistance through the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)

### Cora C. Brown Fund

**Purpose:** To use funds made possible by a bequest of funds from the late Cora C. Brown of Kansas City, Missouri, who left a portion of her estate to the United States for the purpose of helping victims of natural disasters not caused by or attributed to war.

### Contact Information:

Federal Emergency Management Agency  
U.S. Department of Homeland Security  
500 C Street SW, Washington, DC 20472  
(202) 646-2500  
<https://www.fema.gov/media-library/assets/documents/24409>

### Fire Management Assistance Grants

**Purpose:** Fire Management Assistance grants are authorized by the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act and funded by FEMA. The purpose of this is to provide project grants and the provision of specialized services for the mitigation, management, and control of fires that threatens such destruction as would constitute a major disaster. Grants are used for the mitigation, management and control of any fire on publicly (non-Federal) or privately owned forestland or grassland that threatens such destruction as would constitute a major disaster. This program replaces the former Fire Suppression Assistance Program. There may be a 25 percent non-Federal cost share if total eligible costs for the declared fire exceed certain thresholds.

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### Contact Information:

Federal Emergency Management Agency  
U.S. Department of Homeland Security  
500 C Street SW, Washington, DC 20472  
(202) 646-2500  
<https://www.fema.gov/>

### Flood Hazard Mapping Program

**Purpose:** The purpose of the Flood Hazard Mapping Program, funded by FEMA, is to identify, publish, and update information on all floodprone areas of the United States in order to inform the public on flooding risks, support sound floodplain management and set flood insurance premium rates. Since flood hazard conditions change over time due to natural and manmade changes in watersheds and floodplains, FEMA provides grant funds to designated Cooperating Technical Partners (CTPs) and others to develop up-to-date flood hazard data; provide maps and data in digital format; integrate FEMA's community and State partners into the process; and raise public awareness of flood risks. Assistance includes financial assistance through grants to Cooperating Technical Partners and other entities; and FEMA technical assistance, support, and data. Financial assistance is provided for activities such as refinement of Zone A boundaries; hydrologic and hydraulic analyses and floodplain mapping; Digital Flood Insurance Rate Map (DFIRM) production; and re-delineation of floodplain boundaries using updated topographic data. FEMA technical assistance services are provided in the form of base map inventory; digital base map data sharing; DFIRM maintenance; hydrologic and hydraulic review; assessment of community mapping needs to support the Map Needs Update Support System; and technical standards agreements. Cost shares are negotiated between FEMA and recipients.

### Contact Information:

Federal Emergency Management Agency  
U.S. Department of Homeland Security  
500 C Street SW, Washington, DC 20472  
(202) 646-2500  
[www.fema.gov](http://www.fema.gov)

### Flood Mitigation Assistance Program (FMA)

**Purpose:** To assist states and communities in implementing measures to reduce or eliminate the long-term risk of flood damage to buildings, manufactured homes, and other structures insurable under the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP).

**Grants:** There are three types of FMA grants available to states, and municipalities/localities:

- *Planning Grants* to prepare flood mitigation plans.

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- *Project Grants* to implement measures to reduce flood losses, such as elevation, acquisition or relocation of NFIP-insured structures.
- *Management Cost Grants* for the grantee to help administer the FMA program and activities.

### Contact Information:

Program Implementation Division  
Federal Emergency Management Agency  
500 C Street SW  
Washington, DC 20472  
(202) 646-3619  
<https://www.fema.gov/flood-mitigation-assistance-program>

### Flood Recovery Mapping

**Purpose:** Flood Recovery Mapping is authorized by the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act and funded by FEMA. Its purpose is to provide funds from FEMA's Disaster Relief Fund to map areas affected by disaster in order to assist in the response and recovery efforts. Assistance includes grants to Cooperating Technical Partners (CTP) and other entities; and FEMA technical assistance, support and data. Recovery Maps can be quite detailed and the data collected as part of the recovery mapping process may ultimately be used in the process of developing or updating Flood Insurance Maps. This requires a Presidential declaration of disaster (flooding). Cost share are negotiated between FEMA and the recipients.

### Contact Information:

Federal Emergency Management Agency  
U.S. Department of Homeland Security  
500 C Street SW, Washington, DC 20472  
(202) 646-2500  
[www.fema.gov](http://www.fema.gov)

### Hazardous Materials Training Program for Implementation of the Superfund Amendment and Reauthorization Act (SARA) of 1986

**Purpose:** The goal of the SARA Title III Training Program is to make funding available to support programs of state, local, and Tribal governments, and university sponsored programs designed to improve emergency planning, preparedness, mitigation, response, and recovery capabilities. These programs must provide special emphasis on emergencies associated with hazardous chemicals.

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### Contact Information:

Federal Emergency Management Agency  
U.S. Department of Homeland Security  
500 C Street SW, Washington, DC 20472  
(202) 646-2500  
<https://www.fema.gov/grants-administration/superfund-amendments-and-reauthorization-act-sara-title-iii>

### Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP)

**Purpose:** To prevent future losses of lives and property due to natural disasters; to implement state or local hazard mitigation plans; to enable mitigation measures to be implemented during immediate recovery from a disaster; and to provide funding for previously identified mitigation measures to benefit the disaster area.

### Contact Information:

Federal Emergency Management Agency  
U.S. Department of Homeland Security  
500 C Street SW, Washington, DC 20472  
(202) 646-2500  
[www.fema.gov/hazard-mitigation-grant-program](http://www.fema.gov/hazard-mitigation-grant-program)

### National Hurricane Program

**Purpose:** To reduce the loss of life, property, economic disruption, and disaster assistance costs resulting from hurricanes.

### Contact Information:

Director  
Program Implementation Division  
Mitigation Directorate  
FEMA  
500 C Street SW  
Washington, DC 20472  
(202) 646-4621  
<https://www.fema.gov/region-iii-mitigation-division/national-hurricane-program#3>

### National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP)

**Purpose:** To provide financial protection by enabling persons to purchase affordable insurance against physical damage to, or loss of, buildings and/or contents caused by floods, mudslide or flood-related erosion; and promote wise floodplain management practices in the nation's flood-prone areas. Assistance includes federally backed insurance against flooding, available to individuals and businesses in communities that participate in the NFIP. Insurance is sold to the public through State licensed property and casualty



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insurance agents and brokers. Discounted premiums are available to communities that participate in the Community Rating System.

### Contact Information:

Federal Emergency Management Agency  
U.S. Department of Homeland Security  
500 C Street SW, Washington, DC 20472  
(202) 646-2500  
<https://www.fema.gov/national-flood-insurance-program>

### Pre-Disaster Mitigation (PDM) Program

**Purpose:** The PDM program was authorized by Section §203 of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act (Stafford Act), as amended by Section §102 of the Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000, to assist communities to implement hazard mitigation programs designed to reduce overall risk to the population and structures before the next disaster occurs.

#### *Eligible projects include:*

- Property acquisition, relocation or demolition.
- Structural and non-structural retrofitting (e.g. elevation, storm shutters, and hurricane clips).
- Minor structural hazard control on protection (e.g. culverts, floodgates, retention basins).
- Localized flood control projects that are designed to protect critical facilities and are not part of a larger flood control system.

#### *Ineligible activities include:*

- Major flood control projects.
- Engineering designs are not integral to a proposed project.
- Feasibility and drainage studies that are not integral to a proposed project.
- Flood studies that are not integral to a proposed project and mapping.
- Response and communication equipment (e.g. warning systems, generators that are not integral to a proposed project).

### Contact Information:

Program Implementation Division  
Federal Emergency Management Agency  
500 C Street SW  
Washington, DC 20472  
(202) 646-3619  
<https://www.fema.gov/pre-disaster-mitigation-grant-program>

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### Public Assistance Grant Program

**Purpose:** To provide supplemental assistance to States, local governments, and certain private nonprofit organizations to alleviate suffering and hardship resulting from major disasters or emergencies declared by the President.

**Contact Information:**

Infrastructure Support Division Response and Recovery Directorate FEMA  
500 C Street SW  
Washington, DC 20472  
(202) 646-3026  
<https://www.fema.gov>

### Severe Repetitive Loss Program (SRL)

**Purpose:** The Severe Repetitive Loss (SRL) grant program was authorized by the Bunning-Bereuter-Blumenauer Flood Insurance Reform Act of 2004, which amended the National Flood Insurance Act of 1968 to provide funding to reduce or eliminate the long-term risk of flood damage to severe repetitive loss structures insured under the National Flood Insurance Program.

An SRL property is defined as a residential property that is covered under a NFIP flood insurance policy and:

- That has at least four NFIP claim payments (including building and contents) over \$5,000 each, and the cumulative amount of such claims payments exceeds \$20,000; or
- For which at least two separate claims payments (building payments only) have been made with the cumulative amount of the building portion of such claims exceeding the market value of the building.

For both items above, at least two of the referenced claims must have occurred within any ten-year period, and must be greater than 10 days apart.

**Contact Information:**

Federal Emergency Management Agency  
U.S. Department of Homeland Security  
500 C Street SW, Washington, DC 20472  
(202) 646-2500  
<https://www.fema.gov/severe-repetitive-loss-program>

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### Funding and Assistance through Housing and Urban Development

#### Community Development Block Grant - Disaster Recovery Program (DRP) program

**Purpose:** The Department of Housing and Urban Development's (HUD) Community Development Block Grant - Disaster Recovery Program (DRP) program provides flexible grants to help cities, counties, and States recover from Presidentially-declared disasters, especially in low-income areas. Since this program funds a broader range of recovery activities than most other programs, the DRP helps communities and neighborhoods that otherwise might not recover due to limited resources. When disasters occur, Congress may appropriate additional funding for the Community Development Block Grant and as DRP grants to rebuild the affected areas and bring crucial seed money to start the recovery process. Grantees may use DRP funds for recovery efforts involving housing, economic development, infrastructure and prevention of further damage, if such use does not duplicate funding available from FEMA, the Small Business Administration, and the USACE.

Examples of these activities include the following:

- Buying damaged properties in a floodplain and relocating them to safer areas.
- Providing relocation payments for people and businesses displaced by the disaster.
- Removing debris.
- Rehabilitating homes and buildings damaged by the disaster.
- Buying, constructing, or rehabilitating public facilities such as water and sewer systems, streets, neighborhood centers, and government buildings.
- Enforcing codes.
- Planning and administration costs (limited to no more than 20 percent of the grant).

HUD notifies eligible governments, who must then develop and submit an Action Plan for Disaster Recovery in order to receive DRP grants. The Action Plan must describe the needs, strategies, and projected uses of the Disaster Recovery funds.

**Contact Information:**

Department of Housing and Urban Development  
Community Planning and Development  
451 7th Street, SW  
Washington, DC 20410  
(202) 708-3587  
<https://www.hudexchange.info/cdbg-dr/>

#### Community Development Block Grants (CDBG)/Entitlement Grants

**Purpose:** To develop viable urban communities by providing decent housing and a suitable living environment, and by expanding economic opportunities, principally for low to moderate income individuals.

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### Contact Information:

Entitlement Communities Division Office of Block Grant Assistance  
CPD, HUD  
451 7th Street SW  
Washington, DC 20410-7000  
(202) 708-3587  
[http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD?src=/program\\_offices/comm\\_planning/communitydevelopment/programs](http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD?src=/program_offices/comm_planning/communitydevelopment/programs)

### Community Development Block Grants (CDBG)/State's Program

**Purpose:** To develop viable urban communities by providing decent housing and a suitable living environment, and by expanding economic opportunities, principally for low to moderate income individuals.

### Contact Information:

State and Small Cities Division Office of Block Grant Assistance  
CPD, HUD  
451 7th Street SW  
Washington, DC 20410-7000  
(202) 708-3587  
<https://www.hudexchange.info/cdbg-state/>

### Emergency Shelter Grants Program (ESG)

**Purpose:** To provide financial assistance to renovate or convert buildings for use as emergency shelters for the homeless. Grant funds may also be used to operate the shelter (excluding staff) and pay for certain support services.

### Contact Information:

Community Planning & Development  
Dept. of Housing and Urban Development  
325 West Adams Street  
Jacksonville, FL 32202-4303  
(904) 232-2626

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### Funding and Assistance through Health and Economic Agencies

#### Grants for Public Works & Economic Development Facilities

**Purpose:** To promote long-term economic development in areas experiencing substantial economic distress. The Economic Development Administration provides Public Works investments to support the construction of rehabilitation of essential public infrastructure and development facilities necessary to generate higher- skill, higher-wage jobs and private investment.

**Contact Information:**

Economic Development Administration  
The Federal Building  
Room 423  
80 N. Hughey Ave.  
Orlando, FL 32801  
(407) 648-6572

#### Federal Emergency Shelter Grants Program for the Homeless

**Purpose:** Grants for the provision of emergency shelter and essential support services to the homeless. Funds may be used for structural improvements to shelters, shelter operating expenses, furnishings and equipment, and other services.

**Contact Information:**

Benefit Recovery & Special Program  
Economic Services Program  
1317 Winewood Blvd.  
Tallahassee, FL 32399-0700  
(850) 487-2966

#### Physical Disaster Loans

**Purpose:** To provide loans to businesses affected by declared physical type disasters for uninsured losses.

**Contact Information:**

Office of Disaster Assistance  
US Small Business Administration  
409 3rd Street SW  
Washington, DC 20416  
(202) 205-6734  
<https://www.sba.gov/>

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### Residential Construction Mitigation Program (My Safe Florida Home Program)

**Purpose:** Residential Construction Mitigation Program known as the My Safe Florida Home Program (F.S. 215.5586) is funded annually from the Florida Hurricane Catastrophe Trust Fund as provided in State Statutes. The Florida Division of Emergency Management administers this program, is to be used for funding the improvement of wind resistance of residence through loans, subsidies, grants and direct assistance for low income home owners and hurricane mitigation inspections.

**Contact Information:**

Florida Division of Emergency Management  
2555 Shumard Oak Boulevard  
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-2100  
850-413-9969  
<http://www.floridadisaster.org>

### Emergency Management Preparedness and Assistance Competitive Grant Program (EMPA)

**Purpose:** Emergency Management Preparedness and Assistance Competitive Grant Program (EMPA) is a statewide competitive program which provides funding on a dollar for dollar match basis for projects that promote community preparedness, public information and education. Critical facility projects must conform to the hurricane vulnerability guidelines as established in the ARC 4496 standards.

**Contact Information:**

Jenene Helms, Community Assistance Consultant  
Florida Division of Emergency Management  
2555 Shumard Oak Boulevard  
Tallahassee, FL 32399-2100  
(850) 413-9920  
[jenene.helms@em.myflorida.com](mailto:jenene.helms@em.myflorida.com)  
[www.floridadisaster.org](http://www.floridadisaster.org)

## Funding and Assistance through the United States Army Corps of Engineers (USACE)

### Continuing Authorities Program (CAP)

**Purpose:** Continuing Authorities Program (CAP) initiates a short reconnaissance effort to determine Federal interest in proceeding. If there is interest, a feasibility study is performed, and then the project might move on to a plans and specifications phase. Finally, the project goes to its construction phase. A local sponsor must identify the flood-related problem and request US Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) Assistance. Small flood control projects are also eligible. The cost share for the CAP is 65 percent

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USACE and 35 percent local. The Federal project limit is \$7,000,000. The USACE's local district office would review the local sponsor's request for assistance and would request funds from the USACE's annual appropriations.

**Contact Information:**

Commander US Army Corps of Engineers  
Attn: CECW- OE  
Washington, DC 20314-1000  
(202) 272-0251  
<http://www.usace.army.mil/>

### Emergency Operations Flood Response and Post Flood Response

**Purpose:** To provide emergency flood response and post flood response assistance as required to supplement state and local efforts and capabilities in time of flood coastal storm.

**Contact Information:**

Commander US Army Corps of Engineers  
Attn: CECW- OE  
Washington, DC 20314-1000  
(202) 272-0251  
<http://www.usace.army.mil/>

### Emergency Streambank and Shoreline Protection

**Purpose:** Emergency Streambank and Shoreline Protection is funded by USACE and helps prevent erosion damages to public facilities by the emergency construction or repair of streambank and shoreline protection works. Assistance includes studies and projects for the construction and repair of streambank and shoreline protection. No cost share is required for the first \$40,000 of study costs. After \$40,000, a 35 percent non-federal cost share is required. A 35 percent non-federal cost share is required for project costs.

**Contact Information:**

Commander US Army Corps of Engineers  
Attn: CECW- OE  
Washington, DC 20314-1000  
(202) 272-0251  
<http://www.usace.army.mil/>

### Small Flood Control Projects

**Purpose:** Small Flood Control Projects is funded by USACE. Assistance includes studies and projects for the design and construction of small flood control projects by the USAGE. Flood control projects are required to be feasible from an engineering perspective,

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complete within themselves, and economically justified. No cost share is required for the first \$100,000 of planning study costs. Over \$100,000, a 50 percent cost share is required. A 35 percent cost share is required for project costs of which 5 percent is in cash, with the balance consisting of the provision of lands, easements, right-of-ways, and necessary relocations.

### Contact Information:

Commander US Army Corps of Engineers  
Attn: CECW- OE  
Washington, DC 20314-1000  
(202) 272-0251  
<http://www.usace.army.mil/>

### USACE's Floodplain Management Services (FPMS) Program

**Purpose:** USACE's Floodplain Management Services Program aims to support comprehensive floodplain management planning to encourage and guide sponsors to prudent use of the nation's floodplains for the benefit of the national economy and welfare. A local sponsor must identify a problem and request USACE assistance under the Floodplain Management Services Program. The USACE may provide up to 100 percent of funding at the request of the sponsor. The USACE's local district office would review the local sponsor's request for assistance and determine if it fits within the program.

**Grants:** Examples of the types of projects that would be funded include the following:

- Flood warning and flood emergency preparedness.
- Flood proofing measures.
- Studies to improve methods and procedures for flood mitigating damages.
- Preparation of guides and brochures on flood-related topics.

### Contact Information:

US Army Engineer District, Jacksonville  
701 San Marco Blvd., Jacksonville, FL 32207  
(904) 232-2568  
US Army Corps of Engineers  
Attn: CECW – PF  
Washington, DC 20314-1000  
(202) 272-0169

National USACE Planning Community  
<http://planning.usace.army.mil/toolbox/visitors.cfm?Id=162&Option=General%20Public>  
  
<http://www.usace.army.mil/>



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### Flood Control Projects

**Purpose:** To reduce flood damages through projects not specifically authorized by Congress.

**Contact information:**

US Army Corps of Engineers Attn: CECW – OE  
Washington, DC 20314  
(202) 272-1975  
<http://www.usace.army.mil/>

### USACE's Water Resources Development Act, Section 22

**Purpose:** The USACE's Water Resources Development Act, Section 22 provides authority for the USACE to assist states, local governments, and other non-federal entities in the preparation of comprehensive plans for the development, utilization, and conservation of water and related land resources. Congress funds the Planning Assistance to State programs annually. Federal allotments for each State from the nationwide appropriation are limited to \$500,000 annually but typically are much less. Individual studies, of which there may be more than one per State per year, generally cost \$25,000 to \$75,000. The program can encompass many types of studies dealing with water resources issues.

Types of studies conducted in recent years under the program include the following:

- Water Supply and Demand Studies
- Water Quality Studies
- Environmental Conservation/Restoration Studies
- Wetlands Evaluation Studies
- Dam Safety/Failure Studies
- Flood Damage Reduction Studies
- Floodplain Management Studies
- Coastal Zone Management/Protection Studies
- Harbor/Port Studies

**Contact Information:**

US Army Engineer District, Jacksonville  
701 San Marco Blvd., Jacksonville, FL 32207  
(904) 232-2568

National USACE Planning Community  
<http://planning.usace.army.mil/toolbox/visitors.cfm?id=162&Option=General%20Public>  
<http://www.usace.army.mil/>

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### Emergency Advance Measures for Flood Prevention

**Purpose:** To perform activities prior of flooding or flood fight that would assist in protecting against loss of life and damages to property due to flooding. Measures are aimed at protecting against loss of life or damages to property given an immediate threat of unusual flooding. Assistance includes aid from USACE for removal of waterway obstructions and work necessary to prevent dam failure. No match is required.

**Contact Information:**

US Army Corps of Engineers Attn: CECW – OE  
Washington, DC 20314  
(202) 272-0251

<http://www.grant-applications.org/disaster-prevention-relief-grants/emergency-advance-measures-for-flood-prevention-grants>

### Protection of Essential Highways, Highway Bridge Approaches, and Public Works

**Purpose:** To provide bank protection of highways, highway bridges, essential public works, churches, hospitals, schools, and other nonprofit public services endangered by flood-caused erosion.

**Contact Information:**

US Army Corps of Engineers  
Attn: CECW-PM  
Washington, DC 20314-1000  
(202) 272-1975

<http://www.usace.army.mil/>

### Snagging and Clearing for Flood Control

**Purpose:** To reduce flood damage.

**Contact Information:**

US Army Corps of Engineers  
Attn: CECW-PM  
Washington, DC 20314-1000  
(202) 272-1975

<http://www.usace.army.mil/>

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### Funding and Assistance through the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS)

#### Direct Housing Natural Disaster Loans and Grants

**Purpose:** To assist qualified recipients to meet emergency assistance needs resulting from natural disaster. Funds are only available to the extent that funds are not provided by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA). For the purpose of administering these funds, natural disaster will only include those counties identified by a Presidential declaration.

**Contact Information:**

Rural Housing Services (RHS) Department of Agriculture  
Single Family Processing Division  
Washington, D.C. 20250  
(202) 720-1474  
<http://www.nrcs.usda.gov/>

#### Emergency Conservation Program

**Purpose:** To enable farmers to perform emergency conservation measures to control wind erosion on farmlands, or to rehabilitate farmlands damaged by wind erosion, floods, hurricanes, or other natural disasters and to carry out emergency water conservation or water enhancing measures during period of severe drought.

**Contact Information:**

US Department of Agriculture  
Farm Service Agency  
1400 Independence Dr.  
Washington, DC 20250-0513  
(202) 720-6221  
<http://www.nrcs.usda.gov/>

#### Emergency Watershed Protection Program

**Purpose:** The Emergency Watershed Protection Program is from the USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS). The purpose of this grant is to provide relief from imminent hazards and reduce the threat to life and property in watersheds damaged by severe natural events. Hazards include floods and the products of erosion created by floods, fire, windstorms, earthquakes, drought, or other natural disasters. Assistance includes technical and financial assistance to carry out emergency work such as debris removal from stream channels, culverts, and bridge abutments; debris removal in upland areas following windstorms and tornadoes; reshaping and protection of eroding streambanks; repair of damaged drainage facilities, levees and flood prevention structures; reseeding of burned or denuded areas; and promoting appropriate grazing

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practices under drought conditions to assist in watershed recovery. No match is required for easements and technical assistance. Twenty-five percent non-federal match is required for other eligible measures.

**Contact Information:**

USDA  
Bartow Service Center  
1700 HWY 17 S  
Bartow, FL 33830  
(800) 243-9912  
<http://www.nrcs.usda.gov/wps/portal/nrcs/main/national/programs/financial/ewp/>

### Resource Conservation and Development

**Purpose:** To encourage and improve the capability of State and local units of government and local nonprofit organizations in rural areas to plan, develop and carry out programs for resource conservation and development.

**Contact Information:**

Deputy Chief for Programs  
Resource Conservation and Community Development Division  
Natural Resources Conservation Service  
Department of Agriculture  
P.O. Box 2890  
Washington, DC 20013  
(202) 720-2847  
<http://www.nrcs.usda.gov/>

### Soil and Water Conservation

**Purpose:** To help people conserve, improve, and sustain our natural resources and environment.

**Contact Information:**

Natural Resources Conservation Service  
Department of Agriculture  
P.O. Box 2890  
Washington, DC 20013  
(202) 720-4527  
<http://www.nrcs.usda.gov/>

### Watershed Protection and Flood Prevention

**Purpose:** The purpose of the Watershed Protection and Flood Prevention Program, funded by NRCS, is to protect, develop, and utilize the land and water resources in small watersheds of 250,000 acres or less. The program is federally assisted and locally led. Projects are aimed at watershed protection, flood prevention, agricultural and non-

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agricultural water management, water quality improvement, erosion and sediment reduction, fish and wildlife enhancement, and water supply. Assistance includes financial and technical assistance for approved watershed projects. Technical assistance is provided in planning, designing, and installing watershed improvements. Financial assistance is provided for watershed protection, flood prevention, agricultural water management, sedimentation control, and public water based fish, wildlife, and recreation. No match is required for flood prevention; 50 percent match is required for agricultural and non-agricultural water management.

### Contact Information:

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Natural Resources Conservation Service  
Department of Agriculture  
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Washington, DC 20013  
(202) 720-3534  
<http://www.nrcs.usda.gov/wps/portal/nrcs/main/national/programs/landscape/wfpo/>

### Watershed Surveys and Planning

**Purpose:** The purpose of the Watershed Surveys and Planning Program, funded by NRCS, is to provide planning assistance to Federal, State, and local agencies for the development of coordinated water and related land resources programs in watersheds and river basins. Emphasis is on flood damage reduction, erosion control, water conservation, preservation of wetlands and water quality improvements. Technical assistance is provided. Types of surveys and plans include watershed plans, river basin surveys and studies, watershed resource assessments, flood hazard and floodplain management studies. Special priority is given to upstream rural community flooding; water quality improvements from agricultural non-point sources; wetland preservation; and drought management and water supply for agricultural and rural communities. No match is required.

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### Community Facilities Loan Program (USDA – Rural Development)

**Purpose:** To construct, enlarge, extend, or otherwise improve community facilities providing essential services to rural residents. This program provides affordable funding to develop essential community facilities in rural areas. An essential community facility is

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defined as a facility that provides an essential service to the local community for the orderly development of the community in a primarily rural area, and does not include private, commercial or business undertakings.

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<http://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/community-facilities-direct-loan-grant-program>