



**Executive Director's Report  
Paul Rainwater**

June 17, 2009



**Gustav and Ike Recovery Funding**

HUD announced Second Allocation of Gustav and Ike Recovery Dollars on June 10

<b>1<sup>st</sup> Allocation</b>	\$428 million
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Allocation</b>	<b>\$620 million</b>
<b>Total</b>	\$1.058 billion



## Gustav and Ike Recovery Funding

Program	Dollars
State-Level Set Aside	\$197.5 million
Agriculture	\$ 57.8 million
Coastal Restoration	\$ 27.4 million
Fisheries	\$ 27.4 million
Affordable Rental Housing	\$ 84.9 million
Parish Allocations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Housing Recovery</li> <li>• Infrastructure and Community Revitalization</li> <li>• Economic Development</li> </ul>	\$565.5 million
Local and State Admin	\$ 40 million
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$1.05 billion</b>

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## Gustav and Ike Recovery Funding

Outreach	
Parish-Level Program	Date
<b>Initial Allocation Program Technical Assistance Meeting</b> ✓ Laid out allocations for 43 parishes ✓ Provided the Recovery Proposal Template ✓ Attended by 118 people representing 38 parishes	March 26
<b>Parish-Level Outreach Meetings</b> ✓ Primarily Community Outreach meetings ✓ Provided Technical Assistance in the Recovery Proposal Process	March – June
Coastal Program	Date
<b>HUD site visits and meeting with OCPR to internally kick off the Coastal Communities Recovery Program</b>	May 7, 2009
<b>Coastal Community Recovery Program Option Meeting</b> ✓ Parish officials received details on the “opt in” option to OCPR for Coastal projects being contemplated in their parishes	May 26, 2009

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## Gustav and Ike Recovery Funding

Upcoming Outreach		
Meeting	Location	Date
<b>Delta Regional Gustav/Ike Program Outreach: Parish Program and Agriculture</b> ✓ Parish presidents and key staff to attend	Winnsboro	June 18
<b>Beauregard Parish Meeting</b>		June 22
<b>Southwest LA/Rita Task Force/Agriculture Recovery Program Outreach</b>	Lake Charles	June 24
<b>Agriculture Recovery Launch</b> ✓ Kick off during the LA Farm Bureau Annual Meeting	New Orleans	June 25-29
<b>Terrebonne Parish G/I Program Kick Off Meeting</b>	Baton Rouge	June 26
<b>Cameron Parish Housing Technical Assistance Meeting</b>	Baton Rouge	June 26

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## Washington Update

- **Craig Fugate became the new FEMA Administrator** on May 12  
 Met with him in Baton Rouge June 15
- **Congressmen Joseph Cao and John Mica (FL) were in New Orleans June 1**  
  
 Held a Round Table Discussion within Charity Hospital on the state of health care facilities in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Congressional District

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## Washington Update

### **Congressional Testimony**

May 20 – U.S. Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs  
– Subcommittee on Disaster Recovery

**“The Role of the Community Development Block Grant Program in Disaster Recovery”**

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May 22 – U.S. House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee  
– Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings and Emergency Management

**“Still Post-Katrina: How FEMA Decides When Housing Responsibilities End”**

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## FEMA Trailer Deactivation

- **FEMA has committed that there will be no actual evictions**
- **LRA and FEMA reviewing each household on a case-by-case basis**
  - Working to ensure plan for safe transition
  - Calling clients prioritized by risk level
  - LRA and FEMA staff meeting three times a week
- **HUD has committed to providing Section 8 vouchers to eligible families**
- **LRA working to connect families requiring additional assistance to Rapid Re-Housing Program**

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## FEMA Trailer Deactivation

<p><b>On May 1:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 3,032 households in FEMA trailers</li><li>• 76 in hotels/motels</li></ul>	<p><b>As of June 3:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 2,303 households in FEMA trailers</li><li>• 23 hotel/motel families receiving additional support</li><li>• 4 families permanently housed</li></ul>
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## FEMA Trailer Deactivation

**FEMA announced June 2 reduced sale prices**  
**Park model trailers – \$1**  
**Mobile homes – \$5**

**Currently**

- **208 sales completed**
- **249 sales pending**
- **204 donations pending**  
Numbers expected to grow as the programs re-open to new applicants

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## DHAP – Case Management

### **Since program began April 23**

- Outreach letters sent and statewide hotline launched
- 10,260 of 12,500 eligible DHAP clients already registered for services
- More than 4,000 Housing Choice Vouchers processed
- Developing plan to ensure safety net for vulnerable families after August 31 deadline
- Resource fairs planned for July and August to connect families to programs and services

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## Office of State Planning

### **Goals in the Office of State Planning Development Process**

- Continue soliciting input from planners at all levels
- Establish partnerships in anticipation of creating an Office of State Planning
- Have a clear assessment of existing planning capacity/ activities at the state level

### **Outreach to Planning Stakeholders**

- Ongoing over the past year
- Have met with all but one of the regional planning councils and metropolitan planning organizations
- Meeting on a regular basis with planning directors of major municipalities

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## Office of State Planning

**Engaging Local Planners on a Regular Basis**

- Working closely with the Louisiana chapter of the American Planning Association
- Working with recovery partners through the Parish Capacity Grant Program

**Secured scholarships for state planning stakeholders to attend the national “Reclaiming Vacant Properties” Conference in Louisville June 1-2**

- Done in partnership with the Greater New Orleans Foundation and the National Vacant Properties Campaign

**Upcoming**

- Proposed options for office structure, operations and program to be completed by June 30
- Issuing RFPs for a parish planning priorities analysis and state planning capacity assessment in early July

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## Gustav and Ike Update

Gustav and Ike Debris Removal
Removed to date: <b>10.15 million cubic yards (99.5%)</b>
Remaining debris: <b>123,736 cubic yards</b>

### Individual Assistance

<b>Gustav</b>	<b>Ike</b>
<b>440,915 registered</b>	<b>53,911 registered</b>
Since April : <b>Housing Assistance</b>	Since April : <b>Housing Assistance</b>
• 232 approved • \$3,328,053 distributed	• 57 approved • \$1,056,252 distributed
<b>Other Needs Assistance</b>	<b>Other Needs Assistance</b>
• 392 approved • \$461,842 distributed	• 39 approved • \$101,756 distributed

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## Gustav/Ike Housing Assistance

**FEMA Housing Update:**

- 9,437** - Households with damages greater than \$10,000  
(based on FEMA IA Damage Inspections)
- 677** - FEMA Temporary Housing Units approved
- 622** - FEMA Temporary Housing Units on the ground
- 27** - Parishes where the FEMA Temporary Units have been placed



*A fallen tree causes damage to power lines in Baton Rouge after Hurricane Gustav*

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## Public Assistance Update

	Applicants	Projects	Obligated	Paid
<b>Katrina</b>	2,161	17,724	\$ 7.1 billion	\$ 4.09 billion
<b>Rita</b>	931	4,934	\$578 million	\$ 423 million
<b>Gustav</b>	1,078	2,252	\$437 million	\$ 188 million
<b>Ike</b>	416	615	\$ 73 million	\$ 26 million

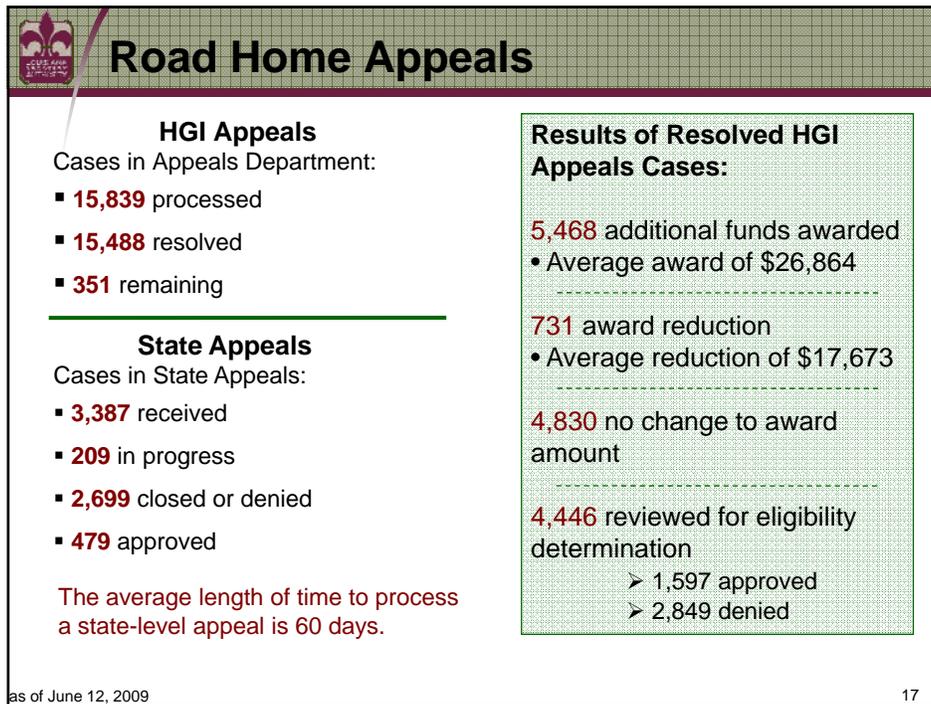
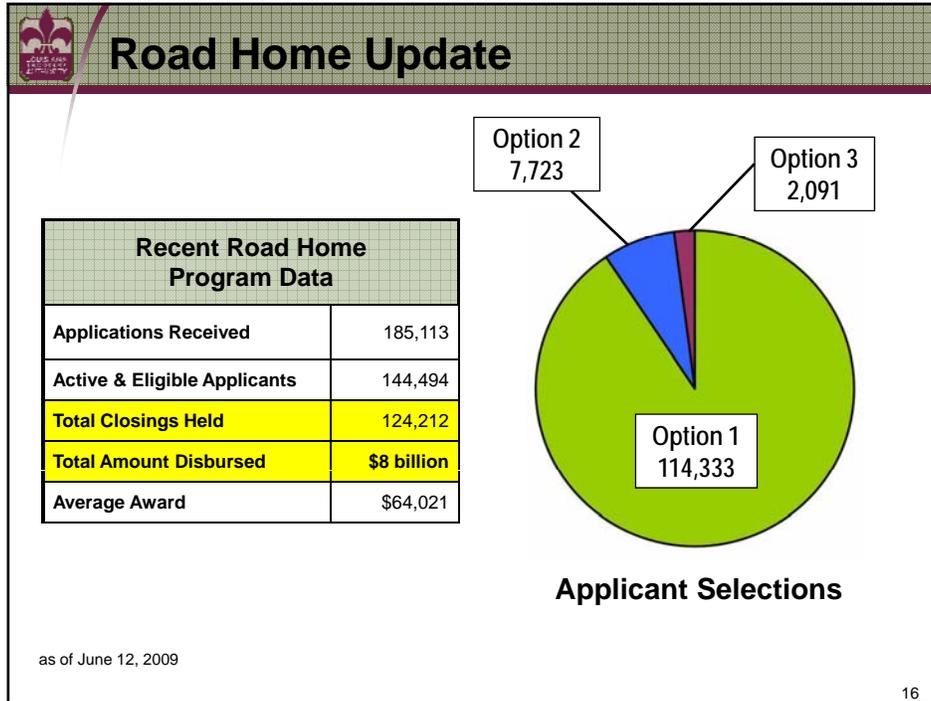
**Public Assistance Express Pay**

**6,020 RRFs** processed  
**\$1.105 billion** paid

Average payment time is currently **5 business days**

*will also use Express Pay for Gustav and Ike projects*

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## CDBG/Road Home Elevations

- **29,667** homeowners interested in and eligible for elevation program
- **28,560** elevation disbursements awarded
- **\$829.09 million** disbursed



*A home in the Gentilly neighborhood of New Orleans elevated through the Road Home Elevation program*

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## HMGF Elevations



- 21,465 people interested
- 6,171 files being worked
- 1,223 homeowner interactions
- **44** homeowner mid-point payments made totaling **\$780,123** (was 14 totaling \$177,859)

*Mitigation Analyst Jennifer Richard meets with a homeowner to work on his application for expense reimbursement for his home reconstruction through the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program*

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## HMGP – Outreach

Homeowners Outreach		
Location	Date	No. Reached
New Orleans	Nov. 2008	103
Jefferson Parish	Dec. 2008	282
Lake Charles	Dec. 2008	60
Terrebonne Parish	Jan. 2009	73
Hackberry	April 2009	231
Grand Lake	April 2009	187
Houma Indian Nation	May 2009	34
Calcasieu/Cameron Homeowners Expo	May 2009	22
Erath	June 2009	350
Government Officials Briefings		
Gray	April 2009	8
New Iberia	April 2009	22
Jennings	April 2009	2
<b>Total</b>		<b>1,374</b>

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## Louisiana Land Trust

### Property count increased to 9,807

**ERR status by parish**

***St. Bernard Parish:***

- 3,790 properties completed in Nov. 08 for No Known Reuse change by parish to Known Reuse
- ERR for all 3,790 had to be redone; was completed June 5
- 367 newly-added properties complete by August 31

***Orleans Parish:***

- 593 properties ready by June 30

***Jefferson Parish:***

- 121 properties completed in February
- 23 to be complete by July 15

- Working to shorten ERR time by clearing properties through demolition only so that part of the work can begin
- However, the complete ERR must be done before properties can actually be transferred

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## Louisiana Land Trust

**ERR status by parish**

***Plaquemines Parish:***

- 220 properties completed by June 30

***St. Tammany Parish:***

- 145 properties completed by August 31

***Calcasieu Parish:***

- 87 properties completed by July 31

***Cameron Parish:***

- 108 properties completed by August 31

***Terrebonne Parish:***

- 42 properties completed by July 31

## Louisiana Land Trust

***Working on ERRs for the following parishes:***

- Acadia
- East Baton Rouge
- Lafayette
- Livingston
- St. Charles
- St. Martin
- St. Mary
- Tangipahoa
- Vernon

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## Small Rental Program

as of June 8, 2009

Active awardees: **5,847**

Rental closings: **742**

Rental award amount: **\$60.32M**

Units produced: **1,554**

Affordable units produced: **1,180**



*One of the units in New Orleans that received funding through the Small Rental Program*

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## LIHTC/CDBG Piggyback Program

*The Oak Villa Apartments in New Orleans opened last week, making it the 7<sup>th</sup> Piggyback project to be completed*



<b>Total projects awarded:</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>Projects closed/under construction:</b>	<b>20</b>
Total units awarded:	8,184	Units under construction:	3,376
Total award amount:	\$596M	Dollars closed:	\$347M
		<b>Dollars expended:</b>	<b>\$200.7M</b>

**Projects completed:** **7**  
Units completed: 934

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## Alternative Housing Pilot Program

**500 total units**

**FEMA granted a program extension through January 31, 2010**

**New Orleans – 287 units**

- **100 single-family units in Algiers**  
Construction will begin by end of the month
- **100 units on infill sites in various neighborhoods**  
Have identified lots; working on environmental approval process
- **27 single-family units in Westwego**  
Infrastructure construction finished in late July; modular units will be placed at that time
- **60 units as infill sites in Treme Neighborhood**  
Construction to begin on 34 site-built units in July

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 **Alternative Housing Pilot Program**

as of June 3, 2009

**Jackson Barracks - 93 units**

- Occupancy for the first 10 units expected by early July
- All interior roads are complete
- Sidewalks near completion



Single-family units at Jackson Barracks

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 **Alternative Housing Pilot Program**

as of June 3, 2009

*One of the cottages at the Hidden Cove site in Baton Rouge*



**Baton Rouge – 42 units**

- Most homes are now enclosed
- Interior work begun on the 25 homes in Phases 1-3

**Lake Charles – 82 units**

- 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue site: plumbing getting started on first houses; all flooring is done in the 18 houses in Phases 1 and 2
- Infill site: First modular units to be complete by the end of July

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## ICF Transition Team

**IT, Homeowners** and **Small Rental** contracts have been signed

- Transition from ICF occurred in early April
- ICF's contract officially ended June 11

**Piggyback** contract awarded to The Compass Group

- Should have final approval by June 30

**HMGP** contract awarded to Shaw

- Contract is being processed

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## LRA – The Final Year

**“All statutory authority for the Louisiana Recovery Authority shall cease as of July 1, 2010...”**

Act 5, 2006 First Extraordinary Session of the Louisiana Legislature

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## Remaining Work and Goals

### A Snapshot of Recovery – December 31, 2009

- Board approval given for Action Plan Amendments and HMGP re-allocations
- Technical Assistance provided to parishes for Gustav and Ike recovery dollars
- Soft Second Program launched
- Advanced payments for Small Rental Program clients begun
- Final decision from FEMA on Charity Hospital delivered

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## Remaining Work and Goals

### A Snapshot of Recovery – December 31, 2009

- 60% - 100% of Katrina Cottages built
- More than 3,200 rental units provided through the Piggyback Program
- More than 2,500 LLT properties demolished
- Completion of marine debris removal
- 75% - 100% of Long Term Community Recovery funds obligated and approved
- IMM Program launched

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## LRA – The Final Year

### A Snapshot of Recovery – June 30, 2010

- Board approval given for Action Plan Amendments and HMGP re-allocations
- 100% of Katrina Cottages built and occupied
- 16 new police stations built and in service
- 125,000 Road Home awards given
- 9,200 units provided through the Small Rental Program (76.7% of total program goal)

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## LRA – The Final Year

### A Snapshot of Recovery – June 30, 2010

- More than 6,300 rental units created through the Piggyback Program (77.66% of total program goal)
- 15 new schools built and in service
- 400 First Time Homeowner loans granted
- 300 Soft Second Program loans granted
- 14 new fire stations built and in service
- Action Plan change for any other re-allocation after June 30

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