

BALDWIN COUNTY LOCAL RECOVERY PLAN



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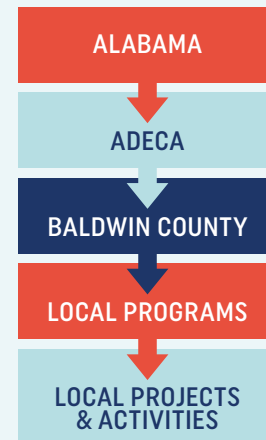
Hurricanes Sally and Zeta struck Baldwin County in September and October of 2020, bringing wind, storm surge, and widespread flooding and power outages across the state and Baldwin County. The 2020 storms caused at least \$776 million in losses to the County's economy, infrastructure, and housing stock.

WHAT IS A LOCAL RECOVERY PLAN?

To support local recovery from the 2020 hurricanes, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) allocated \$312 million in **Community Development Block Grant – Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR)** dollars to the state of Alabama in 2022.

The **Alabama Department of Economic and Community Affairs (ADECA)** developed the Local Recovery Planning Program (LRPP) to help impacted jurisdictions prepare for efficient and equitable recovery. Baldwin County is currently crafting a Local Recovery Plan (LRP) to identify storm impacts, community needs, and propose beneficial recovery and mitigation activities for affected areas.

HUD ALLOCATION



WHO DOES THE LOCAL RECOVERY PLAN BENEFIT?

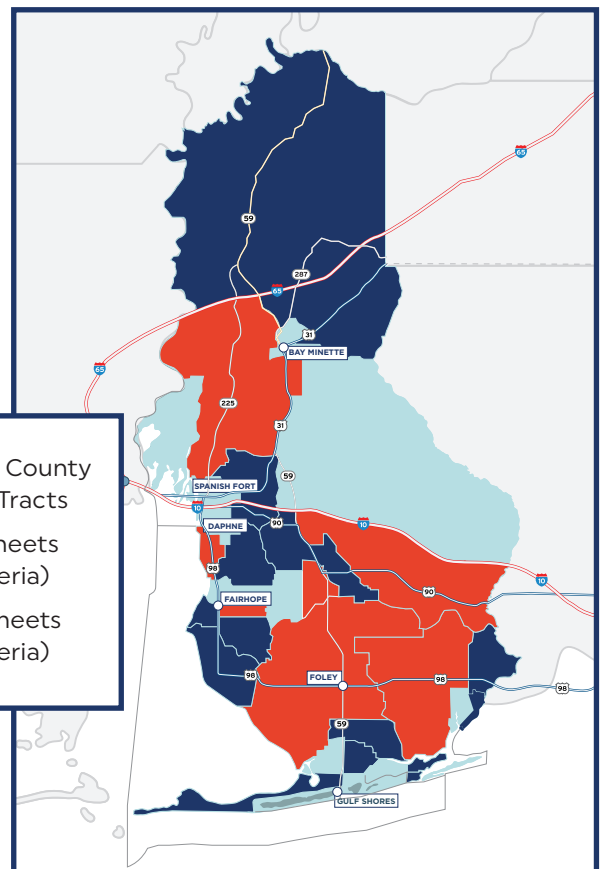
- Current or former Baldwin County residents who were impacted by the storms
- Residents of areas where recovery is still needed.
- Vulnerable populations include those in protected classes, hard-to-reach groups, historically disadvantaged and economically distressed areas.

RECOVERY ZONES

Disaster data and stakeholder input identified the following municipalities and surrounding unincorporated areas as recovery targets:

- Bay Minette
- Portions of Stapleton
- Robertsdale
- Silverhill
- Summerdale
- Foley
- Elberta
- Magnolia Springs
- Portions of Fairhope
- Portions of Daphne

- Baldwin County Census Tracts
- Tier 1 (meets two criteria)
- Tier 2 (meets one criteria)



WHAT WILL CDBG-DR FUNDING BE USED FOR?

The \$43 million grant will fund multiple projects and programs and may be combined with other state and federal funds to address Baldwin County's recovery and mitigation needs.

- The Homeownership Assistance Program will address barriers to homeownership for low-to-moderate households by providing financial assistance for down payments, closing costs, and/or interest rate buydowns.
- The Infrastructure Recovery Program will assist eligible local governments and organizations in undertaking repair and construction of critical infrastructure, such as sewer and drainage upgrades or road and bridge repairs.

SECTOR	UNMET NEEDS PER SECTOR	% OF UNMET NEEDS	BUDGET ALLOCATION PER SECTOR	% OF TOTAL BUDGET
HOUSING	\$194,785,457	32%	\$19,219,010	45%
INFRASTRUCTURE	\$82,682,454	14%	\$24,142,626	55%
TOTAL	\$608,389,312		\$43,361,686	

LRP TIMELINE	
FALL 2023	County executes LRPP grant agreement with ADECA
SPRING & SUMMER 2024	County completes extensive stakeholder consultation via outreach, interviews, public meetings, and surveys
JULY 19 – AUGUST 18	Draft LRP published for public comment
SEPTEMBER 2024	County submits final LRP to ADECA for approval
FALL 2024	ADECA approves final LRP
EARLY 2025	Program and project development begins

HOW CAN BALDWIN COUNTY STAKEHOLDERS GET INVOLVED?

Baldwin County has prioritized extensive and inclusive engagement across residents, local non-profits and community groups, elected officials, and the private sector. Here's how you can provide input and stay informed:

- The County invites all stakeholders to review the draft LRP and submit a public comment on the County's disaster recovery website. The public comment period begins on July 19, 2024 and ends on August 18.
- **Send any questions or comments directly to the County at bccgrants@baldwincountyal.gov or by phone at 251-937-0281 ext. 2281.**