Program Overview

The Community Development Block Grant Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR) program focuses on covering essential expenses for efforts related to disaster relief, long-term recovery, restoration of infrastructure and housing, and economic revitalization in the most impacted and distressed areas. Funding comes from the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). In 2018, Hurricane Michael hit the Florida-Georgia panhandle, causing extensive damage to Southwestern Georgia. In total, 20 counties were included in the Presidential declarations of a major disaster. The money allocated from HUD is used to develop and implement programs which assist the communities left devastated by the storm, prioritizing those recognized as the most impacted and distressed.