



**TEXAS GENERAL LAND OFFICE**  
COMMISSIONER DAWN BUCKINGHAM, M.D.

---

1700 N. Congress Ave. • Austin, TX 78701-1495 • 512-463-5339 • FAX: 512-475-1415

## **PRESS RELEASE**

### **Cmr. George P. Bush announces application for Homeowner Assistance Program now open in all eligible Harvey affected counties**

Housing repair program expected to help thousands of homeowners rebuild homes damaged by Hurricane Harvey

**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**  
**December 03, 2018**

**Contact: Brittany Eck Director  
of Communications, Community  
Development & Revitalization Texas  
General Land Office  
(512) 463-5708  
Brittany.Eck@GLO.Texas.gov**

AUSTIN — Today Texas Land Commissioner George P. Bush announced the application for the Homeowner Assistance Program is now available in all eligible Hurricane Harvey affected counties. The Texas General Land Office (GLO) allocated \$1.098 billion in Community Development Block Grants for Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR) funds from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), for rehabilitation and reconstruction of thousands of owner-occupied single-family homes damaged by Hurricane Harvey. Homeowners in Harris County and the city of Houston will be able to apply for similar programs funded by direct allocations.

"Hurricane Harvey damaged thousands of homes and devastated the livelihoods of countless Texans," said Commissioner Bush. "With more than \$1 billion allocated to it, this is the largest single program designed to help rebuild the lives of thousands of Texas families. Now our focus turns to spreading the word that help is here for those who are still struggling to repair their homes and rebuild their lives."

---

[Watch video](#) of Cmr. George P. Bush commemorating the opening of the Homeowner Assistance Program and speaking with the press about disaster recovery progress.

---

Potential applicants should review the [Homeowner Assistance Program Checklist](#) to have all applicable documents ready prior to applying. Interested homeowners should visit <http://recovery.texas.gov/hap> to apply online or download a printable version of the application. Potential applicants can also find in-person assistance at regional Homeowner Assistance Program offices serving their area. In addition to

a main office in each region, each county will have at least one application drop off location or satellite office. Additional satellite offices and application intake locations may be announced in the future. For assistance, interested participants can email [cdr@recovery.texas.gov](mailto:cdr@recovery.texas.gov) or call 1-844-893-8937.

For implementation of this program across 48 eligible counties, the GLO allocated funds into six regions, with the majority of funds being directed to the most impacted counties and zip codes within each region as prescribed by HUD requirements. Each region will retain its allocation until the available funds are awarded to homeowners in those regions.

Public Service Announcements are available in English and Spanish, for radio and television, in 30- and 15-second lengths by visiting <http://recovery.texas.gov/hap>

---

View and download all PSAs at <http://recovery.texas.gov/hap>

---

Applicants are potentially eligible for assistance within their region if they owned their home, it was damaged or destroyed by Hurricane Harvey, and it was their primary residence, among other eligibility factors. The applications will be considered for award on a first-come, first-serve basis, according to the priorities outlined in the Regional Housing Guidelines.

---

Region	Regional funding available	Counties
Central/Golden Crescent Region	\$116,828,970	Bastrop, Burleson, Caldwell, Calhoun, Comal, DeWitt, Fayette, Goliad, Gonzales, Grimes, Guadalupe, Jackson, Karnes, Lavaca, Lee, Madison, Milam, Victoria, Washington
Coastal Bend Region	\$121,608,469	Aransas, Bee, Jim Wells, Kleberg, Nueces, Refugio, San Patricio
South East Texas Region	\$205,019,250	Hardin, Jefferson, Orange
HGAC-W/Lower Colorado Region	\$218,621,431	Austin, Colorado, Fort Bend, Matagorda, Waller, Wharton
HGAC-E/Gulf Coast Region	\$258,049,169	Brazoria, Chambers, Galveston, Liberty, Montgomery, Walker
Deep East Texas Region	\$127,884,027	Jasper, Newton, Polk, Sabine, San Augustine, San Jacinto, Tyler

###