



# HARVEY HOMEOWNER ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

## ELIGIBLE AND INELIGIBLE EXPENSES

The Homeowner Assistance Program's reimbursement option allows you to get reimbursed for certain Hurricane Harvey-related home repair costs that were not paid for by another source.\* All costs must be appropriate and typical for standard, modest housing in Houston. All repairs must have been completed prior to **December 31, 2020**.

### WHAT EXPENSES MAY BE **ELIGIBLE** FOR REIMBURSEMENT?\*

#### Repair and Other Post-Storm Recovery Activities

- Construction costs for permanent repairs
- Rental of generator associated with loss of power from Harvey
- Demolition of the home
- Mold remediation
- Removal of Harvey-damaged trees
- Replacement of landscaping as required by city code
- Access ramps, wheelchair platform lifts, elevator and/or ramps
- Stabilization or temporary repairs of Harvey damage to prevent future loss (examples: repair of roof leaks, entryways, etc.)

#### Professional / Pre-Construction Activities

- Testing (soil borings, soil testing, etc.)
- Design costs (plans, specifications, architect fees, etc.)
- Building permits
- Surveys
- Environmental remediation or hazardous materials disposal (if not included in temporary repairs)
- Cost of transporting modular unit(s)
- Septic (connections, etc.)
- Backflow prevention
- Emergency generator hookup
- Inspection costs
- Decking and stairs as required by city code allowing for safe entry and exit
- Debris removal (such as collapsed buildings and structures)

*Reimbursement may be combined with the Texas General Land Office (GLO) Homeowner Assistance Program (HAP). Speak to a program specialist for more information.*

### WHAT EXPENSES MAY BE **INELIGIBLE** FOR REIMBURSEMENT?\*

#### Typical ineligible repair items on federal programs include the following:

- Construction of outbuildings (examples: detached garages, sheds, etc.)
- Outdoor sprinkler systems
- Pools and hot tubs (or any other outdoor water feature)
- Decking beyond what is required by city code
- Fence construction
- Post-storm additions (rooms added to original pre-storm structure)
- Outdoor showers
- Outdoor fireplaces
- Indoor fireplaces (unless the ONLY source of heat supply)
- Miscellaneous non-structural, cosmetic or luxury items
- Elevation beyond City requirements
- Any enhancement or luxury-grade materials used on eligible repairs will be reimbursed using the HoAP pricing standards
- Personal property (examples: non-critical appliances, vehicles, furniture, clothing, playground equipment, satellite dishes, window units, and security systems)

For more information call **832-393-0550** or visit **[RECOVERY.HOUSTONTX.GOV/HOAP](https://RECOVERY.HOUSTONTX.GOV/HOAP)**

*\*See duplication of benefits information.*

*\*\*List may not be exhaustive.*

**Not all homeowners who apply may receive assistance.**

