

**Public Notice**

The City of Houston's Housing and Community Development Department (HCDD) submitted an Action Plan for Disaster Recovery-2015 Flood Events (Plan) to HUD on September 19, 2016 and updated November 17, 2016. The Federal Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) awarded on December 7, 2016 to the City of Houston \$66,560,000 in federal funds associated with disasters declared on May 29, 2015 (DR-4223) and on November 25, 2015 (DR-4245). The following shows the approved budgets for the 2015 Flood Events:

Activity	Amount
Public Facilities and Improvements (Infrastructure)	\$29,232,000
Housing (Single Family Home Repair)	\$12,000,000
Housing Buyout	\$20,000,000
Planning	\$2,000,000
Administration	\$3,328,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$66,560,000</b>

HCDD proposes to utilize \$10,660,000 from the Housing Buyout line item for voluntary flood buyout to reduce the number of flood prone homes in low-income areas and protect the City's investment in the community. These funds will be administered by the Harris County Flood Control District (the District). The District will perform voluntary property buyouts to eligible property owner applicants, including the purchase of structures in the floodplain, the demolition and/or removal of the structures, and the maintenance of the property as open green space. Areas identified by the Plan are located in three neighborhoods: Braeburn Glen, Glenburnie & Cashiola, and Langwood. All property acquisitions will be voluntary; no eminent domain will be implemented. Following the public notice period, this item will go to City Council for approval.

The public may comment on this action during the 14-day review period that extends from Friday, April 7, 2017 through Friday, April 21, 2017. Public comments may be submitted by email to: Ana.Patino-Martinez@HoustonTX.gov or by mail: HCDD, ATTN: Peggy Colligan, 601 Sawyer, Suite 400, Houston, Texas 77007.

For specific questions or concerns about fair housing or landlord/tenant relations, please contact Royce Sells at 832.394.6240.