

# Grantee: Birmingham, AL

## Grant: B-12-MT-01-0001

### January 1, 2015 thru March 31, 2015 Performance

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**Grant Number:**

B-12-MT-01-0001

**Obligation Date:****Award Date:****Grantee Name:**

Birmingham, AL

**Contract End Date:****Review by HUD:**

Reviewed and Approved

**Grant Award Amount:**

\$6,386,326.00

**Grant Status:**

Active

**QPR Contact:**

James Roberts

**LOCCS Authorized Amount:**

\$6,386,326.00

**Estimated PI/RL Funds:**

\$300,000.00

**Total Budget:**

\$6,686,326.00

## Disasters:

### Declaration Number

FEMA-1971-AL

## Narratives

### Disaster Damage:

On April 27, 2011, Alabama was hit by 62 tornadoes which took the lives of 248 people, damaged or destroyed 23,000 homes, and ruined hundreds of other structures, including commercial, industrial and governmental structures. At least 2,794 of the damaged/destroyed homes were located within the City of Birmingham, Alabama. Within 48 hours after the storms of April 27, 2011, City Building Inspection staff completed a block-by-block assessment of damages to structures as a result of these storms. This assessment identified 1,859 structures in the City of Birmingham that suffered structural damage. These structures included the above-referenced 2794 dwelling units (some structures included multi-family residences), along with numerous commercial properties. The inspectors also assessed the percentage of damage to each structure and recorded that data by street address. These damage estimates were then compared to Jefferson County Tax Assessor's records. By multiplying each property's percentage of damage by the Tax Assessor's valuation for the structure, it was determined that there was a total dollar amount of physical damage to structures in the City of Birmingham of \$44,200,166.75.

Two 'waves' of storms hit Birmingham on April 27th---one in the morning that moved in a west-to-east direction and damaged properties from Five Points West, West End, Smithfield, Northside, East Birmingham, East Lake and Roebuck. The big storm---an F-4 tornado hit Birmingham at about 6 pm on the 27th. This second storm smashed into the Pratt City Community, and the Hooper City Neighborhood. Over 2200 (83%) of the 2,794 homes damaged in Birmingham were damaged in the Pratt Community!

### Recovery Needs:

In response to the needs identified in the Needs Assessment (above), the City's Plan for Disaster Recovery focuses on the North Pratt Neighborhood.

- North Pratt is the poorest neighborhood in the Community which experienced 83% of the damages from the April 2011 disaster
- North Pratt is the neighborhood that received the most damage to housing and infrastructure in combination
- The RUDAT Plan identified the priority need for the City to re-build community facilities and to re-establish linkages between residents and facilities (including transit) in a walk-able community
- North Pratt's housing stock was heavily damaged and extremely underinsured. Most victims remain displaced to this day
- The lack of a permanent fire station in Pratt leaves the neighborhood in a situation where it must be covered by a temporary facility and adjacent facilities. Clearly, this is less than desirable for the residents of this low-moderate income community
- The reconstruction of infrastructure, public facilities and housing anticipated in this plan will 'prime the pump' and foster an environment that sets the table for future re-building

### Public Comment:

On Wednesday, May 30, 2012, the Action Plan was made available for public comment via the City of Birmingham's Department of Community Development's website. The Action Plan was also published in two newspapers, The Birmingham News and The Birmingham Times. The public comment period began on Wednesday, May 30, 2012 and ended at 5:00 pm CST on Monday, June 11, 2012.

In accordance with the citizen participation waiver and alternative requirement published in the Federal Register "to permit a more streamlined process, and ensure disaster recovery grants are awarded in a timely manner provisions of 42 U.S.C. 5304(a)(2) and (3), 42 U.S.C. 12707, 24 CFR 570.486, 24 CFR 91.105(b) and (c), and 24 CFR 91.115(b) and (c), with respect to citizen participation requirements, are waived and replaced by the....streamlined requirements do not mandate public hearings at a state, entitlement, or local government level, but do require providing a reasonable opportunity (at least 7



days) for citizen comment and ongoing citizen access to information about the use of grant funds.” As a result of this waiver, no public hearing was held.

The public comment notifications were published in English, but Spanish translation was accessible. This enhanced the ability of persons with limited English proficiency to provide comment. The following efforts were made to advertise the public comment period.

- On May 29, 2012, a letter advertising the comment period was distributed to a list of contacts including City Council Members, Neighboring municipalities, and neighborhood organizations.
- On May 30, 2012, the City of Birmingham posted the notice to the Department of Community Development’s website.
- On May 31, 2012, the City of Birmingham published an ad in The Birmingham News advertising the public comment period.
- On May 31, 2012, the City of Birmingham published an ad in The Birmingham Times advertising the public comment period.

Written comments were also accepted by e-mail, fax, mail, or hand delivery to the following address.  
 Mail: Community Development Department  
 City Hall/Room 1000  
 710 20th Street North  
 Birmingham, AL 35203  
 E-mail: CommunityDevelopment@birminghamal.gov  
 Fax: (205) 254-2282

No comments were received during the 12 day comment period. However, in accordance with regulations the City of Birmingham would have considered all comments and changes to the Action Plan would have been implemented where necessary.

<b>Overall</b>	<b>This Report Period</b>	<b>To Date</b>
<b>Total Projected Budget from All Sources</b>	\$0.00	\$6,386,325.30
<b>Total Budget</b>	\$0.00	\$6,386,325.30
<b>Total Obligated</b>	\$0.00	\$2,869,316.30
<b>Total Funds Drawdown</b>	\$0.00	\$2,210,807.55
<b>Program Funds Drawdown</b>	\$0.00	\$2,210,807.55
<b>Program Income Drawdown</b>	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>Program Income Received</b>	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>Total Funds Expended</b>	\$0.00	\$2,253,583.09
<b>HUD Identified Most Impacted and Distressed</b>	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>Other Funds</b>	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Match Funds	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Non-Match Funds	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00

**Funds Expended**

<b>Overall</b>	<b>This Period</b>	<b>To Date</b>
City of Birmingham	\$ 0.00	\$ 2,253,583.09

**Progress Toward Required Numeric Targets**

<b>Requirement</b>	<b>Target</b>	<b>Projected</b>	<b>Actual</b>
<b>Overall Benefit Percentage</b>	50.00%	77.47%	33.46%
<b>Minimum Non Federal Match</b>	\$.00	\$.00	\$.00
<b>Overall Benefit Amount</b>	\$3,183,504.85	\$4,700,000.00	\$2,130,465.98
<b>Limit on Public Services</b>	\$957,948.90	\$.00	\$.00
<b>Limit on Admin/Planning</b>	\$1,277,265.20	\$319,316.30	\$80,341.57
<b>Limit on Admin</b>	\$319,316.30	\$319,316.30	\$80,341.57
<b>Most Impacted and Distressed</b>	\$.00	\$.00	\$.00

**Overall Progress Narrative:**

Due to the overall planning focus with the B-13 grant, no funds for activities within B-12 were expended this quarter. As the planning process slows and the implementation process furthers, the City anticipates to fund longer term projects and those with possible delays with B-12 through future amendments if they are not already currently in the budget.



## Project Summary

### Project #, Project Title

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	Program Funds Drawdown	Project Funds Budgeted	Program Funds Drawdown
CDBG-DR-A-Admin, Admin	\$0.00	\$319,316.30	\$80,341.57
CDBG-DR-B-Rehab, Rehab	\$0.00	\$500,000.00	\$0.00
CDBG-DR-C-New, New Housing	\$0.00	\$1,367,009.70	\$0.00
CDBG-DR-D-Lib, Library	\$0.00	\$450,000.00	\$0.00
CDBG-DR-E-Fire, Fire Station	\$0.00	\$2,550,000.00	\$2,130,465.98
CDBG-DR-F-Street, Street Improv.	\$0.00	\$1,200,000.00	\$0.00

