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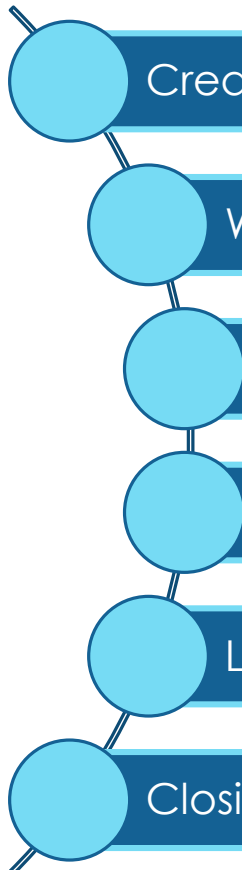
Webinar: Doing Business with the Recovery

Moderator: Shanell Petersen, Managing Director, Marketing and Vision 2040

September 30, 2020

3:30pm-5:00pmAST

Agenda

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- Credible Sources for COVID-19 Updates in the USVI
 - Welcome by the Virgin Islands Office of Disaster Recovery
 - Virgin Islands Department of Property and Procurement
 - Virgin Islands Housing Finance Authority
 - LIVE Q&A
 - Closing

Credible Sources for COVID-19 Resources



- Virgin Islands Department of Health – www.doh.vi.gov/coronavirus or Text COVID19USVI to 88877 or call 340-713-6200 or 340-776-1519



- VI Territorial Emergency Management Agency: www.vitema.vi.gov



- Office of the Governor of the USVI: www.facebook.com/GovernmentHouseUSVI



- Center for Disease Control & Prevention (CDC): www.cdc.gov



- World Health Organization (WHO): www.who.int



WELCOME



Adrienne L. Williams-Octalien, Director of
the Office of Disaster Recovery



Doing Business with The Virgin Islands

Department of Property and Procurement

Commissioner Anthony D. Thomas

Elements of Concerns

- Submitting bids/proposals in order to satisfy the Government's Contents to Proposal issued under Request for Proposals ("RFP") and Bidding and Qualifying Documents issued under Invitations for Bids ("IFB").
- Contractor's qualifying documents to support awarded contracts which includes registration with Sam.Gov
- Timely renewals of expiring qualifying documents.

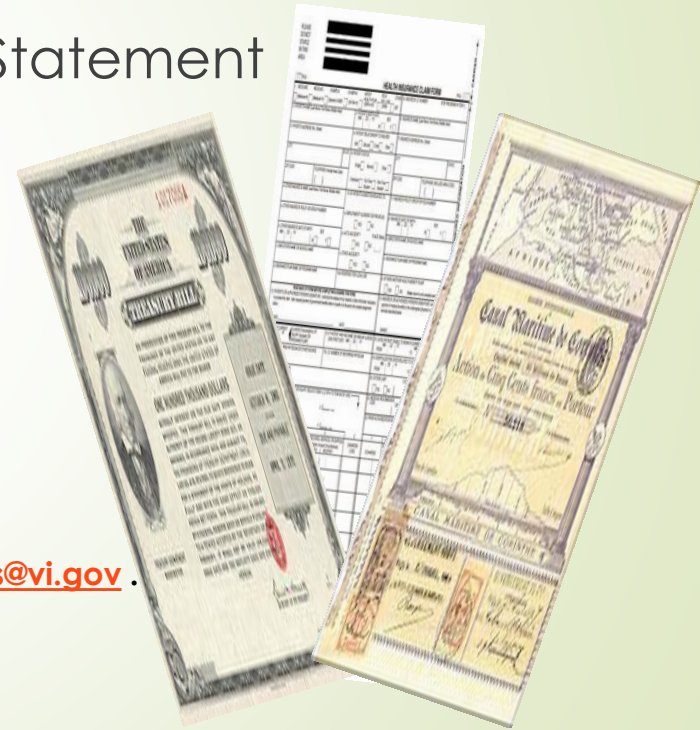


BIDDING AND QUALIFYING DOCUMENTS

- Bid Bonds
- Contractor's Qualification Statement
- Financial Statement
- Non-Collusion Affidavit
- Business License
- Good Standing
- Proof of General Liability



RFP/IFB packages are submitted to ebids_proposals@vi.gov.



Contractual Documents

- Bid Bonds
- Contractor's Qualification Statement
- Financial Statement
- Non-Collusion Affidavit
- Business License
- Vendor Business ("Supporting") Documents
- Proof of General Liability/**Endorsement**
- **DUNS Number**
- **Government Insurance (Workers Compensation)**



Contract Document Renewals

- Monitor Supporting Documents Terminations
 - ☐ V.I. Business License
 - ☐ Commercial General Liability
 - ☐ Good Standing
 - ☐ Trade Name Certificate (If applicable)
 - ☐ Government Insurance
 - ☐ DUNS number
- Submit renewals to Property and Procurement's Vendor Portal



Helping Our Contracting Partners

- ▶ Department of Property and Procurement has updated its vendor portal Module which will help vendors to manage their corporate documents:
 - ❑ Vendors will be able to submit all corporate documents and not just a business license and W-9 form.
 - ❑ Vendors will be able submit documents at anytime to ensure documents are instantly accessible upon contract awards.
 - ❑ Requiring all vendors to register with SAMS.GOV enables our local vendors to bid and become potential awardees of federally funding projects.
 - ❑ Sending out vendor notifications regarding expired corporate documents keeps vendors on track with meeting their statutory obligations
 - ❑ Documents should be submitted to vendormaintenance@vi.gov .





VIRGIN ISLANDS HOUSING FINANCE AUTHORITY

**COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT –
DISASTER RECOVERY
(CDBG-DR) PROGRAM**

Doing Business with the Recovery



SEPTEMBER 30, 2020

Presented by: Antoinette Fleming, CDBG-DR Director
Jeanine Blyden, Procurement & Contracting Manager

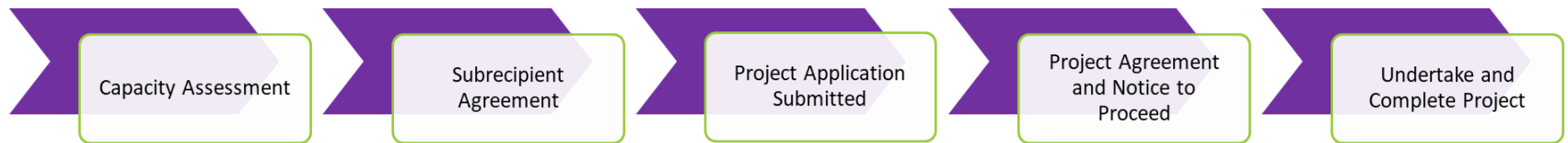
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CDBG – Disaster Recovery Program and Mitigation Program

ANTOINETTE FLEMING, CDBG-DR DIRECTOR

DR PROJECT APPLICATION PROCESS FLOW

Subrecipients:



Developers:



CDBG-DR Subrecipient Checklist can be found on the cdbgdr.vihfa.gov website under ***Subrecipients***

CDBG- DR & MITIGATION PROCUREMENT OPPORTUNITIES



INFRASTRUCTURE



HOUSING



**ECONOMIC
REVITALIZATION**



**PLANNING
PROJECTS**



**PUBLIC SERVICES
& FACILITIES**

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT DISASTER RECOVERY **Action Plan Amendment #2**

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD OPEN SEPTEMBER 3 - OCTOBER 3

The Amendment will incorporate a substantial change to the current Action Plan (which includes Amendment #1) by identifying the use for an allocation of \$53M for unmet infrastructure needs in the Local Match Program, as well as inserting additional funds in the EnVision Program, complete funding of the Randolph Harley Plant project; creation of the Public Services and Facilities Sector; a formal request of a LMI data waiver and updates financial projections and expenditure outcomes.



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Tranche 2A

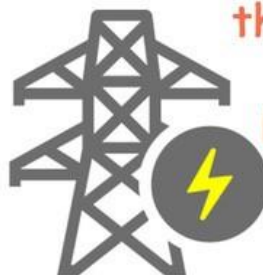
**\$53M for Infrastructure
Unmet Needs**

Funds the Local Share Match Program



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**Fully Funds
the Randolph
Harley
Power Plant
Project**



3

**Additional Funds for
Housing Programs**



4

**Creates Public
Services and
Facilities Sector**



5

**Low and Moderate
Income Data Waiver**



6

**Updates
Projections
of
Expenditures
and
Outcomes**



ALLOCATION BREAKDOWN



**Tranche 2a
\$53M
Infrastructure
Unmet Need**

CDBG-DR | Tranche 1: \$242,684,000

CDBG-DR | Tranche 2: \$779,217,000

CDBG-DR | Tranche 2a: \$53,588,884

CDBG-DR | Tranches 1, 2, and 2a: \$1,075,489,884

CDBG-Mitigation Tranche 3: \$774,800,000

CDBG- Electrical Improvement \$67,653,000 (not released)

Total CDBG-DR & CDBG-MIT: \$1,917,330,884

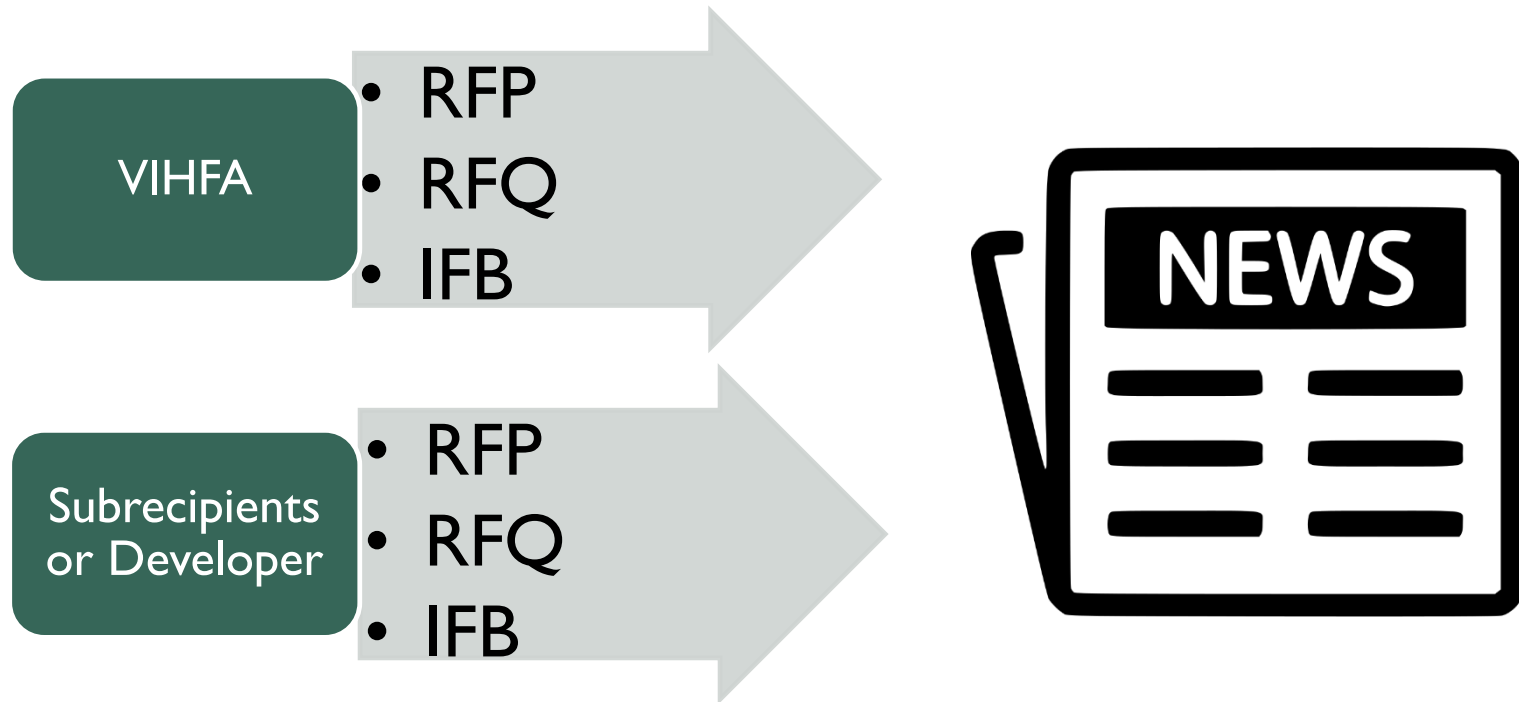


PROCUREMENT

JEANINE BLYDEN, PROCUREMENT & CONTRACTING MANAGER



WAYS TO ENGAGE IN RECOVERY



- All current and future procurement opportunities are posted on our websites: www.vihfa.gov and www.cdbgdr.vihfa.gov and advertised in local publications.

BIDDING & PROCUREMENT PITFALLS

■ **Late submittal of proposals**

- Each solicitation is publicized with a submittal deadline, any proposal not received by the requested time would not be considered.

■ **Not following format request of proposal content**

- Bid packages should be formatted as requested in each solicitation
- Not submitting documents to be deemed qualified

■ **Mandatory attendance**

- Some pre-bid conferences are mandatory for all potential contractors however, if missed, pertinent information may not be received.

CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTOR'S FEDERAL REQUIREMENTS

Contractors bidding on construction projects that are assisted in part or whole by the Department of Housing & Urban Development (HUD) and subject to federal rules and regulation

- **Labor Standards**
- **Davis Bacon(DBRA)**
- **Copeland Act (Anti-Kickback Act)**
- **Contract Work and Safety Standard Act (CWHSSA)**
- **Section 3**



Construction Contractor's Federal Requirements (cont'd)

- **The Davis-Bacon Act (DBA)**

- Requires payment of prevailing wages

- **The Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act (CWHSSA)**

- Requires payment of time and one-half for hours in excess of 40 hrs/wk

- **The Copeland Act (Anti-Kickback Act)**


- Makes it a Federal Crime to require anyone to give up or pay back portions of their wages

- **The Fair Labor Standards Act (FLSA)**

- Contains the minimum wage rates, overtime, and child labor requirements.

- **Section 3**

- If at least 30% of the permanent, full-time employees of the company either: live in government-assisted housing; have household income below HUD's low-income limits; are homeless; or participate in a HUD Youthbuild Program



VIHFA is working with several GVI departments, agencies, developers and non-profit organizations in developing subrecipient agreements that will include various procurement opportunities.

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Questions

U.S. Virgin Islands OFFICE OF DISASTER RECOVERY



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Doing Business with the Recovery

September 2020

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Director

Key Projects Status

HEALTH & HOSPITALS

- ▶ The award is pending for architectural and engineering services for JFL and SRMC.
- ▶ The Temporary Hospital (JFL North) is currently under construction by APTIM and is scheduled to be completed in November. The transition from JFL to JFL North will begin by the end of the year.

▶ Pending Solicitations

- ▶ Juan F. Luis North: Propane Tank Relocation
- ▶ Juan F. Luis North: Commissioning Services
- ▶ Charles Harwood Medical Center Architecture and Design

▶ Out for Solicitation

- ▶ DHS: IFB058DHSC20 (C) Emergency Roof Repair for the Herbert Grigg Home, St. Croix, USVI



Key Projects Status

HOUSING - VIHA

Estate TuTu

- ▶ Demolition of Buildings 10, 11, 12, 14 and 22 of Tutu Hi-Rise was awarded RG Engineering Inc. and the project has been mobilized.
- ▶ Donoe Redevelopment project application has been approved.

Michael J. Kirwan Terrace

- ▶ Contract award for roof repairs to Buildings 8,12,17 & 18 is scheduled for today.

▶ Pending Solicitation

- ▶ A&E for Michael J. Kirwan Terrace Community Buildings 7,9,10,19 & 22 Roof Repair



Key Projects Status

HOUSING- VIHFA

EnVIsion Tomorrow

- ▶ 721 Homeowners have met all the preliminary program criteria; 120 Rental applications have met the preliminary program criteria
- ▶ Construction has begun

▶ Pending Solicitations

- ▶ IFB for Mount Pleasant Construction
- ▶ Mini bids for home repairs – Interested contractors with GC license should contact Nicole Roberts at (340)777-4432.



Key Projects Status

POWER

Water and Power Authority

- ▶ Construction of the East End Electrical Substation is complete
- ▶ St. Croix and St. Thomas Microgrid Projects are under review
- ▶ WAPA continues their installation of composite poles territory-wide: WI: 100% Completion (200 Poles), STJ: 49% Completion (966 Poles), STT: 28% Completion (661 Poles) STX: 20% (790 Poles)

▶Out for Solicitation

- ▶ VIWAPA: PR-06-21 Consignment of Electrical Products

▶Pending Solicitations

- ▶ Donald Francois Substation Repairs – Design
- ▶ St. Thomas Submarine Cable Survey Services



Key Projects Status

ROADS

- ▶ Awarded:
 - ▶ STT- Mafolie Road & Permanent Road Signs Installation Project in St Thomas/St. John District
 - ▶ STX - Repairs to the town of Frederiksted, Carlton Road, Christiansted Boardwalk, Drainage Improvements to Hannah's Rest
- ▶ Pending Award:
 - ▶ STT- Donoe Bypass Road, Smith Bay, & Northside Highway
 - ▶ STX- Mahogany Road

▶ Pending Solicitations

- ▶ Rehabilitation of roadways, culverts, embankments, and other roadway features of 13 sites on St. Thomas and 5 sites on St. John damaged by Hurricanes Irma and Maria.
- ▶ Rehabilitation of roadways, culverts, embankments, bridges, and other roadway features of 16 sites on St. Croix damaged by Hurricanes Irma and Maria.



Key Projects Status

EDUCATION

- ▶ Demolition of the Arthur Richards Junior High School was awarded in August and work has begun to remove the debris from the interior of the buildings.
- ▶ Demolition of Evelyn Williams and Charlotte Amalie High School Buildings A, B and C has been awarded.
- ▶ Wheatley Skills Center Renovation and Gladys Abraham has been awarded.

▶ Pending Solicitations

- ▶ RFP for A& E for Arthur Richards School
- ▶ Construction Services for Repairs to the Curriculum Center for STT/STJ district



Other Projects

DSPR

► Pending Solicitations

► St. Thomas

Kirwin Terrace Ballpark	Winston Raymo	Milton Newton	Alvin McBean	Ezra Fredericks
Valdemar Hill Look Out	Joseph Aubain	Educator's Park	Lionel Roberts Stadium,	Lionel "Smut" Richards "Smith Bay"

► St. John Community Center HMGP Project



Other Projects cont.

DSPR cont.

► Pending Solicitations

► St. Croix

Estate Profit Community Center	Mon Bijou	Castle Burke Playground
Reinholdt Jackson Complex	Glynn Recreation Park	La Valley Basketball and Baseball Park
Emile Henderson Ct and Clock Tower	Cramers Park Restrooms	Princess Park
Rudy Krieger	Pedro Cruz	Limpricht Park



► Out for Solicitation

► IFB062SPRT20 (C) for Coki Point Beach Facility Repairs

Other Projects cont.

DPNR

Awarded:

- ▶ Watershed Management Studies Project for the St. Thomas/St. John District

Pending Award:

- ▶ Watershed Management Studies Project for St. Croix

Recently Closed:

- ▶ Removal of Derelict Vessels in the St Thomas/St. John District



Procurement Issues and Pitfalls

Your bid could be disqualified for

- ▶ SAM's Registration
- ▶ Bonding Capacity
- ▶ Current Business License

Solicitation Package

- ▶ Complete each part of the package
- ▶ Follow the procedures outlined in the package
- ▶ ASK QUESTIONS!



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CLOSING



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Thank you to VIPFA'S ODR, VIDPP, and VIHFA for joining us this week.

Next Webinar: Wednesday, October 7, 2020 at 10am with the Small Business Administration (SBA)

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