

# Authority to Use Grant Funds

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development  
Office of Community Planning and Development

<b>To:</b> (name & address of Grant Recipient & name & title of Chief Executive Officer) The Honorable Steven Barry, Chairman Escambia County Board of County Commissioners 221 S Palafox Place, Suite 420 Pensacola, FL 32502	<b>Copy To:</b> (name & address of SubRecipient) Elizabeth Kissel, Governmental Liaison, Escambia County
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We received your Request for Release of Funds and Certification, form HUD-7015.15 on	March 11, 2024
Your Request was for HUD/State Identification Number	HS011

You are hereby authorized to use funds provided to you under the above HUD/State Identification Number. File this form for proper record keeping, audit, and inspection purposes.

In accordance with the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Adoption of FEMA and other Federal Environmental Reviews and Processing for Hurricane Sandy Supplemental Appropriations (H.R. 152) Activities memorandum, the Florida Department of Commerce (FloridaCommerce) acknowledges Escambia County's official adoption of the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Record of Environmental Consideration (REC) environmental review. The Request for Release of Funds certifies that an environmental impact statement was not required. Based upon this certification, it appears that the requirements of 24 C.F.R. Part 58 have been met.

Escambia County - Voluntary Home Buyout Project - \$3,170,114.80

The following special condition applies to this project: Copies of all documentation used to provide verification of compliance as required in the Conditions portion of the adopted FEMA RECs for this project are to be provided to the FloridaCommerce Environmental Program prior to project closeout and maintained in the City's copy of the ERR.

Should a potential environmental issue arise during the grant period, it must be appropriately handled and documentation placed in the Environmental Review Record (ERR) located at FloridaCommerce. This notice constitutes your authority to expend CDBG-DR program funds, unless otherwise restricted by any Special Conditions in the award agreement with the Department.

Please contact the CDBG Environmental Program office at (850) 921-3267 if you have questions about this notice.

We look forward to working with you to ensure the successful completion of your project.

Typed Name of Authorizing Officer Justin Domer, Director Title of Authorizing Officer Office of Long-Term Resiliency, FloridaCommerce	Signature of Authorizing Officer X 	Date (mm/dd/yyyy) 03/12/2024
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