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Annual Report  
2/2009 – 2/2010

**2008 Flood Disaster Update**

***Hazard Mitigation Grant Program*** (Total Requested \$8,107,681.00)

September 26, 2008 - Jefferson County requested \$7,539,137.00 to acquire 35 properties >50% substantially damaged.

June 9, 2009 - The State submitted the application to FEMA. Worked with Jefferson County to include additional information required from FEMA in order to submit application.

September 23, 2009 - The state requested an amendment to the June 9<sup>th</sup> application indicating they have received approval from the State Historical Society Preservation Office (SHPO) on 29 of the 35 properties so the project can move forward and not be held up by the other 6 still awaiting SHPO clearance.

November 17, 2009 - We received a HMGP grant award for 29 of the original 35 properties in the amount of \$5,977,946.00

a. To date we have acquired 7 properties with an 8<sup>th</sup> property pending acceptance of the offer.

b. Value of appraisals to date is \$1,625,975.00. Approximate acquisition costs as of 1/15/10 are \$762,590.72. The difference is caused by duplication of benefits being deducted from the acquisition price. Duplication of Benefits includes payments received from Flood Insurance or FEMA Individual Assistance received for housing repairs.

December 5, 2009 - An amendment to the original application was sent by the State to FEMA to include the 6 properties taken out of the original grant – pending State Historical Society Preservation Office approval. The amendment is requesting a total of \$1,561,192.00.

November 20, 2009 - A request was sent to the state for additional funding that may be available to acquire an additional 11 properties.

December 17<sup>th</sup>, 2009 - An amendment was sent to FEMA requesting the remainder of the funding available in the declaration of \$233,768.00 be approved and obligated to Jefferson County to be put towards the acquisition of 11 additional properties (10 properties were <50% substantially damaged and 1 property was >50% substantially damaged) not included in the original grant request. Because these properties were <50% substantially damaged they were required to go through a Benefit Cost Analysis (BCA) to qualify for funding. The amount needed to acquire all 11 properties would be \$1,975,084.00.

January 7, 2010 - A second part to the second amendment was submitted to FEMA requesting the funding in Amendment 2 be increased by \$314,775.00. (Funding became available as a result of the City of Janesville's decision not to appeal the denial of their amendment for acquisition and demolition of three properties). This would bring the total amount of Amendment 2 to \$548,543.00. These additional funds would be able to acquire approximately 4 of the 11 properties identified.

February 4, 2010 - I received an e-mail message from Roxanne Gray, the State Hazard Mitigation Officer from Wisconsin Emergency Management, stating FEMA Region V has advised the states that HMGP funds are frozen and on hold until there is supplemental funding provided to the Disaster Relief Fund.

a. This affects 6 primary properties and 1 seasonal property greater than 50% substantially damaged and 10 properties less than 50% substantially damaged which includes 4 rental and 6 seasonal. Of the 10 properties less than 50% substantially damaged, two properties have a positive Benefit Cost Analysis (BCA) with one of the properties carrying the other 7 in order to meet the aggregate BCA. This one property is on the verge of foreclosure. If I cannot acquire this property, I cannot acquire any of the other properties.

a I have been working with all of these individuals since July of 2008. The State and I have been working very hard to help affected individuals get through the devastating flood of 2008. The properties >50% substantially damaged cannot be repaired – they have to be torn down and cannot rebuild.

b Neighbors are concerned about health and safety hazards from these properties, plus they are a terrible site. The primary properties continue to pay taxes and mortgages while trying to pay rent on their current location. The rental property owner has lost income because they can no longer rent the property. These people are very desperate.

c. Contact has been made to congressional representatives for their assistance in getting Congress to approve the supplemental funding as soon as possible.

**Community Development Block Grant** (Total Requested \$2,000,000.00)  
(Primary residence meeting low to moderate income restricted-80% of County Median Income)

March 5, 2009 – Application Submitted

June 9, 2009 – Award Letter Received

February 17, 2010 – Received Contract

February 24, 2010 – Drawdown Documentation Received – which means we can start to acquire properties.

Properties to be acquired include 8 primary properties greater than 50% substantially damaged and 6 primary properties less than 50% substantially damaged.

Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster (VOAD) / Long Term Recovery Committee (LTRC) – 2008 Flooding Disaster

Donna Haugom, Chair / August Fortman, Vice-Chair / Kim Buchholz, Secretary / Mike Spangler and Cheryl Samuel, Treasurer / Bill Ingersoll, Disaster Coordinator / Jenny Toucher, Assistant Disaster Coordinator.

Due to the time and efforts invested in the Long Term Recovery Committee, we have not had the opportunity to work on any VOAD issues.

To date there are 42 requests for assistance have been received. Five of those did not qualify due to a variety of factors. Requesting funds for business, secondary home, rental property or did not qualify from an income standpoint.

As a result of LTRC action, 8 cases have been approved for a total of \$74,425.32. The remaining cases are in the process of gathering client information, deciding with the clients what unmet needs remain or are in the bidding process. The estimate for the remaining projects is \$308,300.00.

The average award is approximately \$9,300.00 with the highest being \$23,365.00 and the lowest being \$785.00.

Client requests include materials, sump systems, mold remediation, re-construction of damages, landscaping and other exterior water mitigation projects, replacement or repair of home mechanicals, appliances, furnishings, temporary housing and financial assistance.

PLAN OF WORK

By completing the plan of work negotiated between Jefferson County and Wisconsin Emergency Management, for 2009 we received \$73,830.22 of grant funding. The Plan of Work outlines several objectives:

Planning Section: Update the Jefferson County Emergency Operations Plan, Emergency Response Plan, Regional Planning, Hazard Analysis, Local Emergency Planning Committee, Mitigation Plans, and Municipal and other Plans.

Training Section: New Directors series, Hazard Mitigation, Radiological Emergency Planning, Emergency Management Institute-Independent Study, State-sponsored training courses, Local and other training, and conferences.

Exercise Section: Counties are required to conduct at least one table top or functional exercise each year with a full scale exercise during the fourth year in the cycle.

Outreach Section: Tornado Awareness, Emergency Planning and Community Right to Know Act Outreach, Family Disaster Plan Outreach, Media Information Days.

Local Emergency Planning Committee Administrative Requirements Section

Plan of Work and Disaster Grant Administration Section

Local Initiatives Section

Plan of Work Off-Site Plan Update Listing

2009 Plan of Work – Attached (October, 2008 – September 2009)

2010 Plan of Work – Attached (October, 2009 – September, 2010)

The first half (October, 2009 – March, 2010) plan of work for emergency management is due to the state by March 31st. Work continues to accomplish these goals on time. Second half (April, 2010 – September, 2010) is due September 30th.

2-1-1 PARTNERSHIP

Our office is very close to completing a memorandum of understanding with the 2-1-1 service out of Waukesha. The program is 211/First Call for Help which is administered by the Mental Health Association in Waukesha County, Inc. (MHA). Establishing a working relationship with 2-1-1 will provide critical immediate support and connections to individuals requesting community resources during a disaster.

GRANT FUNDING RECEIVED

OJA Interoperability Grant (Round 4) Ixonia Fire Department 2 Mobile Radios Total Cost \$6,556.76 (reimbursed \$3,500.00)	\$3,500.00
OJA Interoperability Grant (Round 5) Lake Mills Police Department 4 Portable and 2 Mobile Radios Total Cost \$10,108.00 (reimbursed \$7,981.00) Waterloo Police Department 1 Mobile Radio Total Cost \$3,736.00 (reimbursed \$2,000.00) Waterloo Emergency Management Office 4 Portable Radios Total Cost 4,378.40 (reimbursed \$3,509.00) Fort Atkinson Fire Department 15 Portable Radios Total Cost \$17,785.50 (reimbursed \$13,339.13)	\$26,829.13
2009 Computer and Hazmat Grant Award Equipment for Local Hazmat Team Total Cost \$10,196.24 (reimbursed \$8,156.00) LEPC In-Kind Match of \$2,039.25	\$8,156.00
FFY 2009 Emergency Planning and Community Right To Know Act Grant Award	\$30,419.00
FFY 2009 Emergency Management Planning Grant Award	\$43,411.22
Incident Command System/Emergency Operations Center Interface – City of Watertown Training Grant Award	\$951.00

Basic and Advanced Public Information Officer UW Whitewater Training Grant Award	\$2,660.24
Hazmat Awareness and Operations Level Lake Mills Fire Department Training Grant Award	<u>\$4,343.25</u>
<b>TOTAL GRANT AWARDS</b>	<b>\$120,269.84</b>

**AWARDS RECEIVED**

Local Award for Excellence from the Wisconsin Association  
For Flood Plain, Stormwater, and Costal Management – Flood  
Mitigation Program for Jefferson County (15 years and counting)

Recognition for support for the UW Whitewater Occupational  
And Environmental Safety and Health Department – Bi Annual  
Training on Emergency Management and Emergency Planning  
And Community Right To Know Act (+10 years)

**SHORT RANGE PLANNING**

- Complete requirements of the annual Plan of Work for grant reimbursement.
- Complete Resource Book for Jefferson County.
- Continuity of Operations/Continuity of Government plan Updates (March 2010).
- Track and complete close-out for Public Assistance with regarding to 2008 flooding  
(Continue to work with the City of Jefferson).
- Organize and replenish supplies for Emergency Operations Center.

**LONG RANGE PLANNING**

- Long term recovery efforts from 2008 flooding.
- Flood Mitigation Buyout Program.
- Work on the recommendations for improvement resulting from the after action report in  
response to and recovery from the 2008 flooding.
- Communications interoperability issues for Jefferson County.
- Encourage and assist citizens to become better prepared with their own emergency  
plans.
- Continue working with the Volunteer Organizations Active in Disaster (VOAD) for  
Jefferson County.
- Assist local jurisdictions with compliance of the National Incident Management System  
(NIMS).
- Work with local officials regarding responses to disasters.