



**Jumpstart
Housing Assistance Program
Down Payment Assistance**



An eligible resident whose disaster-affected home was destroyed or damaged beyond reasonable repair may be provided down payment assistance for the purchase of replacement housing located within the local government participant’s jurisdiction and, if necessary, for the cost of making reasonable repairs to the home being purchased to make it safe, decent, and habitable.

The amount of down payment assistance available to an eligible resident shall generally not exceed 25% of the purchase price of the home being purchased and in no event shall the down payment assistance and any amount allowed for repairs collectively exceed \$50,000.

For purposes of calculating the amount of down payment assistance available to the eligible resident, the amount of the down payment assistance will be reduced by the amount of any disaster compensation received by the eligible resident in excess of any amount necessary to pay off a mortgage or real estate purchase contract on the disaster-affected home.

As a condition of receiving down payment assistance, the eligible resident shall agree that any disaster compensation received subsequent to the closing of the forgivable loan, if not applied towards repayment of a mortgage on the disaster-affected home, shall be used by the eligible resident to pay down the balance of the forgivable loan outstanding at the time the eligible resident receives such disaster compensation.

Down payment assistance shall be allowed only for the purchase of a primary residence by means of a fully amortized mortgage loan from a regulated lender featuring a rate of interest that is fixed for at least five years and with a term not to exceed 30 years.

Eligible residents who receive down payment assistance under this rule may also receive the Interim Mortgage Assistance, but not Housing Repair and Rehabilitation Assistance.

An eligible resident shall not use the assistance for the purchase of more than one home.