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PRESS RELEASE

Texas GLO Homeowner Assistance and Reimbursement Programs Application to Open Saturday

GLO encourages homeowners impacted by 2018 & 2019 flooding and tropical storm disasters to review document checklist, prepare for application

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AUSTIN — On Saturday, April 24, at 9 am the application for the Homeowner Assistance and Reimbursement Programs (HARP) will be available in all eligible counties affected by flooding events in South Texas and the Rio Grande Valley in 2018 and 2019, as well as Tropical Storm Imelda in 2019. The GLO allocated \$137.8 million of Community Development Block Grant - Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR) funds from the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for the Homeowner Assistance and Reimbursement Programs (HARP) for repair or reconstruction of owner-occupied single-family homes and reimbursement up to \$50,000 for certain out-of-pocket expenses incurred for repairs including reconstruction, rehabilitation, or mitigation. Repayment of SBA loans is also eligible for reimbursement.

"Homeowners in Southeast Texas and the Rio Grande Valley have faced repetitive damage from devastating flooding," said Commissioner Bush. "Through the Homeowner Assistance and Reimbursement Programs, the Texas General Land Office will help thousands of homeowners to rebuild their homes and livelihoods."

A single application can be submitted for reimbursement and repair assistance. An application must be submitted along with required documents for consideration. HARP is a first-come, first-served basis and all homeowners are encouraged to apply immediately. Households applying for reimbursement that do not meet the low-to moderate-income (LMI) threshold will be processed after the first six months from application opening, but may receive construction assistance prior to then, based on their application date. HARP is only available for a main home (primary residence).

Potential applicants should review the [Homeowner Assistance and Reimbursement Programs Checklist](#) to have all applicable documents ready prior to applying. Interested homeowners should visit recovery.texas.gov/harp to apply online or download a printable version of the application. Potential applicants can also find in-person assistance at regional Homeowner Assistance and Reimbursement Programs offices

serving their area. In addition to a main office in each region, each county will have at least one application drop off location or pop-up office. Additional pop-up offices and application intake locations may be announced in the future. For assistance, interested participants can email cdr@recovery.texas.gov or call 1-844-893-8937.

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HARP Regions:

i½ South Texas and the Rio Grande Valley (\$66,196,000): Cameron, Jim Wells, Hidalgo, Willacy

i½ Tropical Storm Imelda (\$71,604,000): Chambers, Harris, Liberty, Jefferson, Montgomery, Orange, San Jacinto