



TALKING POINTS

REFORMING DISASTER RECOVERY ACT

1. The Reforming Disaster Recovery Act would permanently authorize the Community Development Block Grant - Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR) program.
2. CDBG-DR provides states and communities with flexible, long-term recovery resources needed to rebuild affordable housing and infrastructure after a disaster.
3. CDBG-DR is often one of the only recovery tools available to the lowest-income disaster survivors, but vital resources have been diverted after past disasters from the people and communities with the greatest need.
4. The bill would help ensure limited disaster recovery funds reach who the program was designed to serve: the most vulnerable survivors.
5. It would allow all federal agencies involved to access the full breadth of data needed to make informed public policy decisions.
6. The bill would allow for greater public participation in disaster recovery efforts.
7. It would also help public and private entities better recognize gaps in services and identify reforms needed for future efforts.

ASK:

Please support the Reforming Disaster Recovery Act to help ensure communities are better able to maintain vital services during and directly after a disaster and to recover more equitably and efficiently.



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