Ohio Project Announced Under FEMA Pre-Selection for \$169K in Mitigation Grant Funding to Build Community Resilience

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CHICAGO – On August 1, FEMA announced Lucas County, Ohio, was included in the pre-selection of subapplicants to receive a portion of \$160M in funding through the <u>Flood Mitigation Assistance (FMA) program</u> to assist communities across the nation enhance climate and disaster resiliency. The county's proposed \$169K project would elevate a residential home designated as a <u>severe repetitive loss</u> property on Dorr Street in Toledo.

These selection announcements are not awards; rather, it's a decision on the status of all subapplications for this grant cycle. FEMA will work with applicants "Identified for Further Review" to conduct programmatic reviews before making a final award decision for funding.

"FEMA's Flood Mitigation Assistance program or FMA seeks to reduce or eliminate the risk of repetitive flood damage across the nation," said Tom Sivak, regional administrator, FEMA Region 5. "This project has the potential to greatly reduce the financial impact of future flooding in the Toledo community by elevating an at-risk structure out of the floodplain."

As part of FEMA's commitment to the Justice40 initiative to instill equity as a foundation of emergency management, FEMA is prioritizing at least 40% of the overall benefits of climate, clean energy, affordable and sustainable housing, clean water and other investments to disadvantaged communities that are marginalized, overburdened, and underserved. This year, FEMA established a baseline within this grant program to achieve that goal and will continue to build on the work we have done to ensure equitable outcomes.



FEMA's FMA program funds help states and localities reduce the risks associated with flooding through projects such as property acquisition, structure elevation, and flood planning. To learn more about FEMA's FMA program, visit Flood Mitigation Assistance (FMA) Grant | FEMA.gov.

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