

# Hurricane Katrina

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## Mississippi Recovery

Harrison County

*Applicant: City of Long Beach*



201 Jeff Davis Avenue, Long Beach, Miss. 39560

### Long Beach City Hall

**Background:** The original city hall was built in 1958 and survived Hurricane Camille in 1969 and several other storms. But after Katrina, city employees had to work from trailers while it was being rebuilt. It reopened in December 2010.

**Damage:** Inundated with 20 inches of water for more than eight hours, the electrical wiring, walls and floors were damaged, causing widespread mold.

**FEMA Funding:** A grant of **\$378,440** went toward repairs; an additional **\$104,480** was used for content replacement.

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720 S. Cleveland Ave. Long Beach, Miss. 39560

### Long Beach Harbor Master Building

**Background:** The Harbor Master Building was reopened in September 2010 with concrete pilings buried 85-feet below it, allowing the structure to withstand 140 mph winds.

**Damage:** After Katrina, this building was nothing but sticks and rubble. Just as repairs were getting underway, Hurricane Gustav came along in 2008 and caused more damage.

**FEMA Funding:** A grant of more than **\$1 million** was used to rebuild and elevate the structure. It was raised 25 feet off the ground.

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12135 Old Highway 49, Gulfport, Miss. 39503

### Harrison County Library

**Background:** Due to the severe damage and its location near the water, the county decided to move the library nine miles inland. It was built to the same pre-disaster size with the addition of extra space for ADA requirements for the stairs and restroom.

**Damage:** The lower floor was destroyed by the tidal surge and the upper floor received major wind damage.

**FEMA Funding:** A grant of nearly **\$7.4 million** went toward rebuilding; site work; content replacement; and purchasing the land.