

# **Elevate Florida Program Snapshot Reporting Period: August 2025**



Elevate Florida is an innovative statewide initiative aimed at improving the resilience of **around 2,000\*** homes by using more than \$400 million in federal funding.

\*This is subject to change based on project complexity, available funding, and program requirements.

#### **Estimated Elevate Florida Timeline** Key: Completed ( In-Progress Not Started All Property Owners are either in the Application Review Stage or FEMA Decision & Approval Stage. **Application Submittal FEMA Decision & Approval Close Out** Application Review\*\* Construction Feb - Apr 2025 Apr - Dec 2025 Jul 2025 - Mar 2026 Sep 2025 - Dec 2026 Jan 2027+ Feb 7, 2025 Apr 11, 2025 May 22, 2025 Aug 2025 Jul - Dec 2025 Aug 2025 - Mar 2026 Sept 2025 - Dec 2026 Jan 2027 **Applicants** Submit Projects receive FEMA **Begin Construction** Application Application Began **Begin** Received Project Applications to Notice of Award Scheduling (rolling basis) Program Portal Portal Closed Inspections Status Update **FEMA** (rolling basis) Project Opened

## Program Accomplishments as of September 3rd, 2025

(rolling basis)



\*\*Elevate Florida's prioritization process has been completed.





Closeout

Updated the **Property Owner Guide** 

**10,200+ Property Owners** informed of their project status

Updated the **General FAQs** 

#### **Program Update**

In August, over 10,200 Elevate Florida property owners were notified of their status which included moving forward in the program, being waitlisted/on-hold, or being deferred to other funding sources. 305 Property Owners had their applications sent to FEMA for funding determination.

Elevate Florida began sending Pre-Mitigation Agreements (PMA) to applicants moving forward in the program. Once their PMA and cost-share requirements are met, the program will schedule pre-construction inspections. As inspections are completed throughout September and the following months, Elevate Florida will continue finalizing application packages and will submit them on a rolling basis to FEMA for funding determination.

### **Hot Topic: Temporary Relocation**

Property owners and/or tenants cannot reside on the property during construction, except for certain Wind Mitigation projects. Temporary relocation is an eligible project cost that is subject to the 25% cost-share. Property Owners will pay their portion of the cost-share up front before construction can begin. Property Owners are also responsible for a 25% cost-share for eligible tenants.

In additional to temporary housing assistance, Mitigation Reconstruction projects are eligible for storage assistance during the construction period. For Acquisition-Demolition projects, Property Owners will be responsible for making their own relocation arrangements, but Acquisition-Demolition tenants may be eligible for temporary relocation assistance.

Before Elevate Florida sends an application to FEMA for final funding determination, Case Managers will contact Property Owners to share information about temporary relocation services and provide a Temporary Relocation Form (TRF). This form helps the Elevate Florida program understand the household's current circumstances, needs, and preferences as they relate to temporary relocation during construction.

After FEMA approval but before initiating construction, Property Owners that indicated interest in temporary relocation on the TRF will have the opportunity to opt in or out of participation in Elevate Florida's temporary relocation services. If the Property Owner opts into the services, their Case Manager will support arrangements for residents during the construction period. The cost of temporary relocation will be included in the total project cost outlined in the Homeowner Grant Agreement but is subject to change based on the actual duration of stay.