

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE
VIRTUAL PUBLIC HEARING
Disaster Recovery Funding (CDBG-DR)
FEMA Disaster Declaration 4720 for July 2023 Flooding

The State of Vermont's Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD) will be holding a virtual/in-person public hearing to get input from Vermont residents impacted by FEMA Disaster Declaration 4720 for July 2023 flooding before submitting its U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Community Block Grant Disaster Recovery CDBG-DR Action Plan for 2025.

The Public Hearing will be held on **Thursday, May 15, 2025**, from 6 p.m.- 8 p.m. The in-person location will be at the Weston Theater Company, 703 Main Street, Weston VT 05161.

To participate virtually to the You Tube Live Session go to <https://youtube.com/live/U-uLOsFdX8Y?feature=share> .

The purpose of the hearing is to listen to residents' views that were impacted by the July 2023 floods to help determine the state's unmet needs for planning, housing, infrastructure, economic revitalization, and public service from the flooding.

The Vermont 2025 DRAFT HUD CDBG-DR Action Plan posted on the Departments website outlines priorities for the use of over \$67 million in federal funds provided to the State for the Community Development Block Grant- Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR) funds. These funds are aimed to meet the needs remaining from FEMA Disaster Declaration 4720 for July 2023 flooding. HUD has determined that over \$54 million is to serve communities in Lamoille and Washington counties. The Plan also serves as Vermont's application to HUD to gain access to these funds.

Accommodations for persons with disabilities and interpreters to meet the needs of non-English speaking persons will be made available upon request. Requests for accommodations should be directed to Cindy Blondin at (802) 828-5219 or emailed Cindy.Blondin@vermont.gov by **Noon on Wednesday, May 7, 2025**. For the hearing impaired please call (TTY#) 1-800-253-0191.

More information is available on the Department's website at <https://accd.vermont.gov/community-development/funding-incentives/disaster-recovery>.