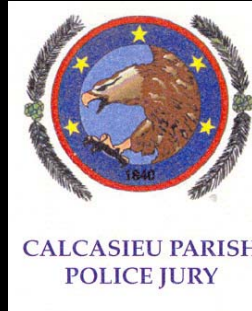


Local Government



Calcasieu Parish Police Jury
<http://www.cppj.net>

Flood Zone/Floodplain Management and Development, Electrical and Plumbing permits in unincorporated areas:

Calcasieu Parish Police Jury
Planning Department
1015 Pithon Street
Lake Charles, LA 70601
Phone: (337) 721-3600
Fax: (337) 437-4100
<http://www.cppj.net/dept/planning/>



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CITY OF LAKE CHARLES
<http://www.cityoflakecharles.com>

Flood Zone/Floodplain Management:

Doug Burguieres
City of Lake Charles
Department of Planning & Zoning
326 Pujon Street, 7th Floor
Lake Charles, LA 70601
Phone: 337-491-1542

Building Permits and Inspections:

It is the responsibility of the contractor or homeowner to obtain all required building/construction permits in order to perform work.

City of Lake Charles
Permit Center
326 Pujon Street, 7th Floor
Lake Charles, LA 70601
Phone: 337-491-1294

Residents of parishes or cities other than Calcasieu and the City of Lake Charles should contact their local Parish or municipal government for information.

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LOUISIANA RECOVERY AUTHORITY

The mission of the Louisiana Recovery Authority is to ensure that Louisiana rebuilds safer, stronger and smarter than before. Throughout its initiatives, the LRA is committed to a recovery and rebuilding process that is fair and equitable to everyone.

The Louisiana Recovery Authority will discuss Joint Housing solutions, outreach to parishes, new Community Development Block Grant resources and case management.

Contact for LRA is Amanda Guma at Amanda.guma@la.gov.
The LRA's website is www.lra.louisiana.gov

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HAZARD MITIGATION

The Hazard Mitigation Section of GOHSEP is responsible for managing all 5 FEMA Mitigation programs, the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP), Pre-Disaster Mitigation Program (PDM), Flood Mitigation Assistance Program (FMA), Repetitive Flood Claims Program (RFC), and Severe Repetitive Loss Program (SRL).

The mission of GOHSEP Hazard Mitigation is: "To lead Louisiana to prepare for, prevent, respond to and recover from, all natural and manmade emergencies and disasters."

Contact for Hazard Mitigation is D. Casey Levy, CFM, State Hazard Mitigation Officer, Mitigation Branch Chief, at 225-267-2673 or clevy@ohsep.louisiana.gov.

The Hazard Mitigation website is <http://www.ohsep.louisiana.gov/>

DISASTER RECOVERY

Disaster Recovery is an agency of GOHSEP, which coordinates State Disaster Declarations authorized under the Governor's signature. Over the years, the agency's mission has evolved to include the spectrum of natural and man-made disasters, as well as the duties and responsibilities for supporting Louisiana's Homeland Security needs.

Contact for GOHSEP is Connie Mincey at 225-925-7500.

GOHSEP's website is www.ohsep.louisiana.gov

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OFFICE OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

The **Disaster Recovery Unit** is a new section within the Division of Administration's [Office of Community Development](#) created by the Commissioner of Administration to administer the CDBG Disaster Recovery funds, amounting to \$10.4 billion, allocated to Louisiana after Hurricanes Katrina and Rita. The Disaster Recovery Unit and the Louisiana Recovery Authority are tasked with developing programs through which to administer these funds, including *The Road Home* program.

The purpose of the Office of Community Development Disaster Recovery Unit (OCD-DRU) Hazard Mitigation Program is twofold:

- ◆ Serve as a supplemental grant for eligible Road Home participants so that they may implement measures that will permanently reduce or eliminate future damages and losses from natural hazards through their elevation or pilot reconstruction grant.
- ◆ Provide the overmatch necessary for the Governor's Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness (GOHSEP) for disasters 1603 and 1607, Hurricanes Katrina and Rita respectively.

Contact for OCD-DRU is Bill Haygood at 225-219-9600.

DRU's website is <http://doa.louisiana.gov/cdbg/drhome.htm>

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LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE

The Louisiana Department of Revenue (LDR) is granting filing extensions to taxpayers whose filing addresses or whose tax preparers' addresses are located in Louisiana communities declared federal disaster areas by President Bush following Hurricanes Gustav and Ike.

For more information follow the links at their website: <http://www.revenue.louisiana.gov>

Lake Charles Regional Office: One Lakeshore Drive, Suite 1550
337-491-2504

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FEMA DISASTER ASSISTANCE

Disaster assistance is money or direct assistance to individuals, families and businesses in an area whose property has been damaged or destroyed and whose losses are not covered by insurance. It is meant to help you with critical expenses that cannot be covered in other ways. This assistance is not intended to restore your damaged property to its condition before the disaster.

While some housing assistance funds are available through our Individuals and Households Program, most disaster assistance from the Federal government is in the form of loans administered by the Small Business Administration.

For Disaster Assistance 800-621-FEMA (800-621-3362) or <http://www.fema.gov>

NATIONAL FLOOD INSURANCE PROGRAM

The National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) was established with the passage of the National Flood Insurance Act of 1968. The NFIP is a Federal program enabling property owners in participating communities to purchase flood insurance as protection against flood losses, while requiring State and local governments to enforce floodplain management ordinances that reduce future flood damages. Over 20,300 communities participate in the NFIP.

For additional information: 1-888-379-9531 or <http://www.floodsmart.gov>

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SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

Whether you rent or own your own home, own your own business, or own a small agricultural cooperative located in a declared disaster area, and are the victim of a disaster, you may be eligible for financial assistance from the U. S. Small Business Administration (SBA).

For more information:

Contact SBA Disaster Assistance Customer Service Center at (800) 659-2955 or by e-mail to disastercustomerservice@sba.gov.

Website: www.sba.gov/services/disasterassistance