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Due to Lack of Funding, USDA Pauses Pilot Program to Repair Homes Damaged by Presidentially Declared Disasters

Agency Highlights Pilot's Success to Rebuild and Repair Homes for More Than 200 Families and Individuals

WASHINGTON, June 7, 2024 – The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Rural Development today announced that, due to lack of funding, USDA is pausing a pilot program that has helped families and individuals repair homes damaged by natural disasters in [presidentially declared disaster areas](#).

The pause is effective as of June 7. USDA intends to renew the pilot if funding becomes available again.

This pause for the pilot program will not affect applications from those who are 62 and older who remain eligible for regularly appropriated funding under USDA's [Single Family Housing Repair Loans and Grants Program](#).

Since its launch in July 2023, the pilot program significantly expanded eligibility for people seeking [Single Family Housing Repair Loans and Grants](#) to repair and rebuild their homes that were impacted by natural disasters.

In just seven months, USDA has invested more than \$7.1 million in funding through this program to help more than 200 families and individuals rebuild and repair their homes damaged by natural disasters.

For more information, see page 48499 of the June 7 [Federal Register](#).

Background

USDA's [Single Family Housing Repair Loans and Grants](#) program assists very low-income homeowners in rural areas to repair their homes. Funding may be used to improve or modernize a home, make it safer or more sanitary, or remove health and safety hazards.

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