

Dear FoCHAT Member,

**Our next meeting is tomorrow, Wed., Oct. 29, and the following one will be two weeks after that, Wed., Nov. 12.**

Next CHAT Meeting

- **Time: Meetings on Wed. at 6:30 PM at UNO, usually every other week**
- **Place: Room 179, UNO Milneburg Hall, on Milneburg Rd. (the road where the brand new dorms are, past the stop sign and the University Center and opposite the Fitness Center. Building #24: [Directions to the Business Bldg are given on the Campus Map for UNO](#))**
- **NEXT MEETING Wed., Oct. 29. Newcomers are welcome.**

### **Answers about RH Elevation Incentive Awards (Road Home grant money) and HMGP (FEMA \$) Elevation Grants**

Thanks for Christina Stevens, Deputy Director of Communications for the LRA, I have the following answers for you.

Is the RH Elevation Incentive considered a duplication of benefit of the HMGP so that if an applicant got \$30 K from RH Elev. Incentive, no ICC, and had a cost of \$48 K for elevation and reconstruction, they would be eligible for a maximum of \$18 K from HMGP?

***The RH Elevation Incentive is not considered a benefit when calculating HMGP Awards.***

If an applicant has not yet started elevating or demolishing what do they do to find out that they have HMGP approval and so can begin work and collect documents to apply for HMGP elevation funding without losing eligibility?

***They should contact the OCD Hazard Mitigation Staff at (225) 339-3746 or at [hazardmitigation@la.gov](mailto:hazardmitigation@la.gov).***

Are all applicants who started elevating and demolishing after Mar. 16 excluded from HMGP funding?

***Not Necessarily. They should contact the OCD Hazard Mitigation Staff at (225) 339-3746 or at [hazardmitigation@la.gov](mailto:hazardmitigation@la.gov).***

**RH Elevation Grant Closing Documents**

See our updated website <http://chatushome.com> for documents.

Note provisions for payback demands and strong exclusion of applicants rights to appeal.

#### RH Final Audits

See our updated website <http://chatushome.com> for details and links.

We don't know how many people will be subject to this. However, they can make payback demands due to RH "mistakes" without applicant input into correcting wrong data in applicant files.

#### Bottom Line

Please take or re-take our survey to give us information about the status of the latest issues.

CHAT's online applicant survey ([click here](#)),

[http://www.surveymonkey.com/s.aspx?sm=hdEchbm8VI\\_2bWFDmxi7E\\_2f7w\\_3d\\_3d](http://www.surveymonkey.com/s.aspx?sm=hdEchbm8VI_2bWFDmxi7E_2f7w_3d_3d)

Get a copy of your entire file as described at our website <http://chatushome.com>

Stay informed.

**The 2-hour Sept. 17 CHAT meeting has been/will be shown on:**

**Sun., Sept. 21, 8 AM; Mon., Sept. 22, 4 PM ; Fri., Sept. 26, 2 PM ; Sat., Sept. 27, 3 PM; Sun., Sept. 28, 1 PM; Mon., Sept. 29, 8 AM; Wed., Oct. 1, 2:30 PM; Thurs., Oct. 2, 2 PM; Fri., Oct. 3, 8 AM; Mon., Oct. 6, 3 PM; Fri., Oct. 10, 2 PM; Sat., Oct. 11, 3 PM; Sun., Oct. 12, 1 PM; Mon., Oct. 13, 8 AM; Tues., Oct. 14, 4 PM; Fri., Oct. 17, 8 AM; Mon., Oct. 20, 4 PM; Fri., Oct. 24, 2 PM; Sat., Oct. 25, 4:30 PM; Tues., Oct. 28, 2 PM; Wed., Oct. 29, 2:30 PM; Fri., Oct. 31, 8 AM.**

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Best wishes,

Melanie Ehrlich

Co-Chairman, Citizens' Road Home Action Team (CHAT)