



# Notice of Voluntary Interest

## NYS Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services Unified Hazard Mitigation Assistance (HMA) Program

**Instructions to Local Government:** Complete one form for each property your jurisdiction would like to acquire or elevate. Each form must be signed by the current owner(s) and submitted with your Acquisition-Elevation Property Spreadsheet.

**Instructions to Homeowner:** Please complete this form if you are interested in exploring your options for reducing your flood losses. Signing this does not commit you to any action.

Property Address (Number, Street, Village/City/Town, Zip): \_\_\_\_\_

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Owner Mailing Address (if different from above): \_\_\_\_\_

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Owner(s) Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Owner Contact Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

**PLEASE NOTE:** The local government is required by FEMA to inform you that participating in any project for acquiring or elevating properties is voluntary. Neither the *State* nor the *Local Government* will use its eminent domain authority to acquire the property for open-space purposes if you choose not to participate in a Hazard Mitigation Assistance grant program.

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Owners Signature

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Date

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Owners Signature

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Date

## UPDATED - FEMA HOME ELEVATION GRANT – FACT SHEET:

- 1 – ONLY HOMES THAT HAVE 2 OR MORE FLOOD CLAIMS OR WERE SUBSTANTIALLY DAMAGED BY HURRICANE SANDY ARE ELIGIBLE TO APPLY.
- 2 – THE HOME MUST HAVE AN ACTIVE FLOOD INSURANCE POLICY TO APPLY. A COPY OF THE INSURANCE POLICY COVER LETTER MUST BE SUBMITTED WITH THE SIGNED “LETTER OF VOLUNTARY INTEREST”.
- 3 – IF THE HOME HAS AN ATTACHED GARAGE, THIS WILL NOT BE COVERED BY THE GRANT. THE HOME OWNER WILL NEED TO PAY FOR THAT PORTION OF THE ELEVATION FROM THEIR OWN MONEY SHOULD THEY BE ACCEPTED INTO THE PROGRAM.
- 4 – IF THE HOME HAS A RAISED DECK(S), THIS WILL NOT BE COVERED BY THE GRANT. THE HOME OWNER WILL NEED TO PAY FOR THAT PORTION OF THE ELEVATION FROM THEIR OWN MONEY SHOULD THEY BE ACCEPTED INTO THE PROGRAM.
- 5 – THIS IS A REIMBURSEMENT GRANT; THE HOMEOWNER MUST PAY THE CONTRACTOR FIRST THEN SUBMIT RECEIPTS FOR REIMBURSEMENT. REIMBURSEMENT CAN TAKE UP TO 3 MONTHS FOR ELIGIBLE EXPENSES.
- 6 – REIMBURSEMENTS WILL VARY FROM 75% TO 100% OF ELIGIBLE COSTS. PERCENTAGE IS BASED ON PREVIOUS FLOOD DAMAGE HISTORY.
- 7 – THE STATE IS ONLY ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS THAT HAVE APPROVED ARCHITECTURAL PLANS. PLANS HAVE TO BE AVAILABLE FOR SUBMISSION BY OCTOBER 2017.
- 8 – SUBMITTING AN APPLICATION DOES NOT GUARENTEE GRANT APPROVAL. THE TOWN APPLICATION WILL BE COMPETING WITH OTHER APPLICATIONS STATEWIDE.
- 9 – HOMES THAT WERE REPAIRED AND CHANGED THE FOOT PRINT OR ALREADY ELEVATED ARE NOT ELIGIBLE FOR THIS GRANT OPPORTUNITY.
- 10 – ADDITIONS TO HOME AND/OR ELEVATING HIGHER THAN BFE+2 ARE NOT COVERED IN THIS GRANT. THE OWNER WILL NEED TO PAY FOR THAT PORTION OUT OF THEIR OWN MONEY SHOULD THEY BE ACCEPTED INTO THE PROGRAM.
- 11 – ANY PROPERTY THAT RECEIVED FINANCING OF ANY KIND FROM NY RISING IS INELIGIBLE.
- 12 – HOMES IN AMITYVILLE, BABYLON OR LINDENHURST VILLAGE CANNOT APPLY TO THE TOWN PROGRAM. APPLICANTS SHOULD CALL THEIR VILLAGE HALL TO SEE IF THEY ARE ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS.

**\*\*\*\*\* DEADLINE IS 4:30 PM, TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 5, 2017 \*\*\*\*\***