

# 2018 FLOOD RESTORATION for Owner Occupied Properties



## PROGRAM INFORMATION SHEET

In February 2018, the City of Goshen endured a record breaking flooding event that impacted hundreds of properties. Although the State and Federal government may provide assistance to our residents, help cannot come soon enough. The Flood Restoration Grant has been created to quickly assist Goshen homeowners with rebounding from the floods. This program has been created through generous donations from the community, with a donation account being established by the City, and this fund is being matched by the Goshen City Council. For every dollar donated, the Council will contribute a dollar up to \$100,000. Approval to applicants for this program will be dependent upon the availability of funds and applicants will be assisted on a first come, first serve basis. Flood Restoration grants will assist owner-occupied residential properties within the City of Goshen impacted by the February 2018 flood event with restoring their properties to safe and habitable conditions. The City of Goshen and LaCasa, Inc. have partnered to provide assistance to eligible property owners to restore their homes with permanent repairs.

In order to be eligible for the program, the following criteria must be met:

- Property lies within the corporate boundaries of the City of Goshen
- Owner-occupied residential properties
- Damage to primary structure due to 2018 flood event
- Approval granted by the Goshen Floodplain Administrator for properties within the designated floodplain

The Flood Restoration Program includes two types of grants: Repair Grants and Reimbursement Grants. Both grants are intended to cover only the cost of repairs needed to make homes safe and habitable. They are not intended to fund the entire cost of repairs caused by the flood. Eligible costs are limited to the repair and replacement of essential components, up to the maximum amounts specified. Funding provided to applicants applying for both grant programs will be limited to the maximum assistance of \$2,500.

### 1. Repair Grants

LaCasa will visit your home and develop a detailed list of eligible repairs. After a detailed scope of work is created, bids from approved contractors will be solicited and a contractor will be selected. The Repair Grant will cover the cost of repairs up to the maximum amounts specified. It will be the property owner's responsibility to fund any additional costs not covered by the grant.

### 2. Reimbursement Grants

Funding will be provided to reimburse homeowners that have already completed permanent repairs. Reimbursements will be made pursuant to the fee schedule shown below and only if documentation of paid receipts are provided and eligibility criteria have been met. Reimbursement grants will not be awarded until all applications for Repair Grants have been approved or by April 20, 2018, whichever is later. *If applicants have received assistance from an insurance claim, they will be reimbursed up to \$2,500 but no more than the cost of their deductible.*

Program will provide up to the dollar amounts listed below:

<i>Maximum amount paid to a homeowner for total repairs</i>	<i>\$2,500.00</i>
- Repair or Replacement of Furnace	\$1,000.00
- Repair or Replacement of Water Heater	\$500.00
- Cleaning/sanitation of flooded walls and basement spaces	\$300.00
- Electrical system hazards (to be determined on a case by case basis)	\$500.00
- Repair of sump pump system	\$300.00
- Purchase of a dehumidifier	\$150.00
- Sewer line check valves to prevent backflow in future flooding events	\$1,000.00
- Structural and foundation issues	Per Case Basis
- Other issues	Per Case Basis

Properties within the regulatory floodplain require a determination of damage status, which includes flood damage repair and any other improvements. The determination will be made by the Goshen Floodplain Administrator based upon contractors' estimates for the fair market value of labor and materials.

The City is waiving all permit fees for those who have been affected by the flood. Building permits are required from those who are rebuilding or making repairs from flood damage.

*Completed applications to be submitted to the following:*

**City of Goshen**  
**Department of Community Development**  
**204 E. Jefferson Street, Suite 6**  
**Goshen, IN 46528**

*For questions, contact:*

**Carla Newcomer**  
**574-533-6805**

*Para asistencia y preguntas, contacto:*

**Sharon Hernandez**  
**574-537-3883**

Please ensure that all necessary supporting documentation is provided with the completed, signed application.