



**NEW JERSEY**

**COMMUNITY HAZARD ASSISTANCE MITIGATION  
PROGRAM**

**FINANCING PROGRAM**

**State Fiscal Year 2026**

**1st Amended**

**COMMUNITY HAZARD ASSISTANCE MITIGATION  
PROGRAM FINANCING  
PROGRAM PROJECT PRIORITY LIST**

**Submitted to the State Legislature by:**

- ▶ **The New Jersey Infrastructure Bank**
- ▶ **The New Jersey State Police: Office of Emergency Management**

**January 2026**

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January 23, 2026

**To:** Honorable Members of the New Jersey State Legislature  
**From:** Robert A. Briant, Jr., Chairperson, New Jersey Infrastructure Bank  
**Subject:** State Fiscal Year 2026 First Amended Community Hazard Assistance Mitigation Program **Project Priority List**

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**Overview** – The New Jersey Infrastructure Bank (the “I-Bank”) and the New Jersey State Office of Emergency Management in the Division of State Police in the Department of Law and Public Safety (“NJOEM”) are pleased to present the **SFY2026 1st Amended** New Jersey Community Hazard Assistance Mitigation Program Project Priority List (the “PPL”) to the New Jersey State Legislature. The New Jersey Community Hazard Assistance Mitigation Program (“NJ CHAMP”) is a joint financing program between the I-Bank and the NJOEM.

On December 23, 2024, the NJOEM published the Project Priority List for SFY2026 identifying projects to be considered for funding in SFY2026. The New Jersey Infrastructure Trust Act, N.J.S.A. 58:11-B-1 et seq. (the “Enabling Act”) authorizes the I-Bank to amend the PPL four times during the State fiscal year (“SFY”). See section 20.5 (b)(2). This submission serves as the first such amendment for SFY2026.

The first amended PPL attached as Appendix A, is a compilation of all eligible projects that were identified for financing. The list consists of 45 hazard mitigation and resilience projects (“Projects”), including **11 additional Projects**, and the removal of Projects that no longer qualify for FEMA funding, since the submission of the initial PPL in December 2024. Total estimated cost of the Projects is \$212,983,673, with an allowable loan amount equal to \$51,838,022.

**Project List** – Appendix A presents the list of projects in both alphabetical and prioritization rank order pursuant to NJOEM’s project prioritization methodology (the prioritization methodology established by NJOEM in consultation with the Commissioner of the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection is the means by which limited financing program funds are distributed among eligible Projects). The detailed ranking methodologies for hazard mitigation and resilience Projects were set forth in the NJ CHAMP’s Federal FY2024 STORM Revolving Loan Fund Intended Use Plan and the SFY2026 January Report submitted by NJOEM. They are available at: <https://www.njib.gov/nj/resilience-program>.

Thank you for your continued support of our program.

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**APPENDIX A1**  
**SFY2026 1st Amended Community Hazard Assistance Mitigation Program**  
**Project Priority List**

**Alphabetical Order**

RANK	APPLICANT	PROJECT DESCRIPTION	ESTIMATED TOTAL PROJECT COST	ESTIMATED CHAMP LOAN AMOUNT
4	Atlantic City	Flood Risk Reduction	\$4,794,786	\$1,198,697
10	Atlantic City	Project Scoping - Ducktown/Chelsea Flood Mitigation Plan	\$238,350	\$59,588
33	Atlantic Highlands	Bulkhead Improvements	\$2,817,511	\$704,378
28	Bay Head Borough	Flood Mitigation	\$1,087,000	\$271,750
43	Bay Head Borough	Project Scoping - Flood and Environmental Damage Mitigation	\$1,087,000	\$271,750
40	Bergenfield Borough	Project Scoping - Flood Mitigation	\$190,112	\$47,528
15	Berkeley Township	Elevation of Three Structures (Application 4)	\$647,770	\$129,554
18	Berkeley Township	Elevation of Two Structures (Application 2)	\$344,284	\$86,071
19	Berkeley Township	Flood Mitigation Assistance (Application 3)	\$254,860	\$63,715
20	Berkeley Township	Elevation of Three Structures (Application 1)	\$729,660	\$145,932
23	Berkeley Township	Elevation of Two Structures (Application 3)	\$256,439	\$64,110
45	Brigantine City	Project Scoping - Golf Course Drive Living Shoreline	\$218,580	\$54,645
13	Cape May City	Seawall Flood Mitigation	\$32,411,733	\$8,102,934 *
26	Cape May County Municipal Utilities Authority	Ocean City Wastewater Treatment Facility Floodwall	\$27,469,500	\$6,742,375 *
6	Hackensack City	Green Street Flood Mitigation - Phase 1	\$6,000,000	\$1,200,600
27	Highlands Borough	Highlands and Monmouth Hills Flood Mitigation and Green Infrastructure	\$16,205,280	\$4,011,320
3	Jersey City	McGovern Park Resilience Project [Drainage Improvements / Green Infrastructure]	\$5,053,524	\$1,211,570
36	Kearny Township	Project Scoping - Garfield and John Hay Pump Stations	\$185,652	\$46,413
14	Longport Borough	Phase 2 Community Flood Mitigation - Winchester Avenue Resiliency	\$1,132,500	\$283,125
2	Margate City	Regional Home Elevation	\$4,858,933	\$758,175
39	Margate City	Minnie Creek Drainage Improvements	\$2,733,098	\$683,275
42	Middlesex County	Southern Middlesex Flood Mitigation Plan	\$1,500,000	\$387,825
22	Millburn Township	Elevations	\$866,227	\$173,246
11	Millstone Borough	Home Elevations	\$945,867	\$204,917
9	Neptune Township	Shark River Living Shoreline	\$1,527,240	\$382,240
29	Neptune Township	South Riverside Flood Pumps	\$3,135,941	\$783,986

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**APPENDIX A1 (con't)**

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41	North Caldwell Borough	Harden Water Tower	\$575,000	\$275,000
32	North Wildwood City	Seawall	\$16,251,884	\$6,251,884 *
8	Ocean City	Elevation of 18 Residential Structures in Ocean City, Sea Isle City, Stone Harbor, Upper Township, and West Wildwood	\$2,424,641	\$394,869
5	Passaic City	McDonald Brook Channel Flood Control	\$2,046,279	\$1,666,279
21	Pequannock Township	2022 Elevations	\$1,766,748	\$25,724
24	Pequannock Township	2023 Elevations	\$2,627,043	\$498,666
44	Seaside Heights Borough	Project Scoping - Flood Mitigation	\$180,000	\$45,000
37	Somers Point City	Project Scoping - Bayfront	\$194,500	\$48,625
38	Somers Point City	Project Scoping - Gulph Mills Pump Station	\$115,000	\$28,750
7	Somerset County	Acquisition/Demolition - Batch #1 & #2 (10 Properties)	\$6,652,700	\$634,688
25	Stafford Township	2023 Home Elevations	\$1,504,885	\$71,916
16	Ventnor City	Lower Ventnor Heights Community Flood Mitigation	\$7,751,734	\$1,845,651
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**SFY2026 1st Amended Community Hazard Assistance Mitigation Program**  
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