

## **TRIUMPH GULF COAST, INC. PRE-APPLICATION FORM**

Triumph Gulf Coast, Inc. ("Triumph Gulf Coast") has created a pre-application process to provide initial consideration of eligibility for potential ideas of projects or programs that may seek an award of funding. Applicants are required to participate in the pre-application process. Notwithstanding the response from Triumph Gulf Coast on the pre-application form, an Applicant may still elect to submit an Application.

### **APPLICANT INFORMATION**

Name of Individual/Entity/Organization: Gulf County Board of County Commission

Proposal Title: Local Government Funding Assistance

Amount of Triumph Funds Requested: \$21,680,000

Total Estimated Project Cost:

Brief Description of Individual/Entity/Organization:

#### Contact Information

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Names of co-applicants, partners or other entities, organizations that will have a role in the proposed project or program: City of Port St. Joe and Gulf County School Board

### **REQUIRED EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

In a maximum of two (2) pages, please describe the proposed project or program and anticipated outcomes including (i) the amount of funds being sought from Triumph Gulf Coast; (ii) the amount and identity of other sources of funds for the proposed project or program; (iii) the location of the project or program; (iv) summary description of the proposed program, including how the program will be transformational and promote economic recovery, diversification, and enhancement of the disproportionately affected counties, and (v) a summary timeline for the proposed project or program. See Addendum A

### **IMPORTANT NOTICE**

This pre-application process will **not** result in an award of funding by Triumph Gulf Coast. Rather, this process is designed to facilitate submission of ideas for potential projects or programs before the Applicant expends time and/or resources to complete a full Application. All Applicants for funding are required to complete an Application, which will be reviewed and then considered for award at the discretion of Triumph Gulf Coast Board.

**Please Select the Proposal's Eligibility Category(s)**

Pursuant to Section 288.8017, Triumph Gulf Coast, Inc. was created to make awards from available funds to projects or programs that meet the priorities for economic recovery, diversification, and enhancement of the disproportionately affected counties. The disproportionately affected counties are: Bay County, Escambia County, Franklin County, Gulf County, Okaloosa County, Santa Rosa County, Walton County, or Wakulla County. *See*, Section 288.08012.

1. From the choices below, please check the box that describes the purpose of the proposed project or program (check all that apply):

- Ad valorem tax rate reduction within disproportionately affected counties;
- Local match requirements of s. 288.0655 for projects in the disproportionately affected counties;
- Public infrastructure projects for construction, expansion, or maintenance which are shown to enhance economic recovery, diversification, and enhancement of the disproportionately affected counties;
- Grants to local governments in the disproportionately affected counties to establish and maintain equipment and trained personnel for local action plans of response to respond to disasters, such as plans created for the Coastal Impacts Assistance Program;
- Grants to support programs that prepare students for future occupations and careers at K-20 institutions that have campuses in the disproportionately affected counties. Eligible programs include those that increase students' technology skills and knowledge; encourage industry certifications; provide rigorous, alternative pathways for students to meet high school graduation requirements; strengthen career readiness initiatives; fund high-demand programs of emphasis at the bachelor's and master's level designated by the Board of Governors; and, similar to or the same as talent retention programs created by the Chancellor of the State University System and the Commission of Education, encourage students with interest or aptitude for science, technology, engineering, mathematics, and medical disciplines to pursue postsecondary education at a state university or a Florida College System institution within the disproportionately affected counties;
- Grants to support programs that provide participants in the disproportionately affected counties with transferable, sustainable workforce skills that are not confined to a single employer; and
- Grants to the tourism entity created under s. 288.1226 for the purpose of advertising and promoting tourism and Fresh From Florida, and grants to promote workforce and infrastructure, on behalf of all of the disproportionately affected counties.

**Please Select the Priorities this Proposal's Outcomes will Achieve**

1. Please check the box if the proposed project or program will meet any of the following priorities (check all that apply):
- Generate maximum estimated economic benefits, based on tools and models not generally employed by economic input-output analyses, including cost-benefit, return-on-investment, or dynamic scoring techniques to determine how the long-term economic growth potential of the disproportionately affected counties may be enhanced by the investment.
  - Increase household income in the disproportionately affected counties above national average household income.
  - Leverage or further enhance key regional assets, including educational institutions, research facilities, and military bases.
  - Partner with local governments to provide funds, infrastructure, land, or other assistance for the project.
  - Benefit the environment, in addition to the economy.
  - Provide outcome measures.
  - Partner with K-20 educational institutions or school districts located within the disproportionately affected counties as of January 1, 2017.
  - Are recommended by the board of county commissioners of the county in which the project or program will be located.
  - Partner with convention and visitor bureaus, tourist development councils, or chambers of commerce located within the disproportionately affected counties.

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
GULF COUNTY, FLORIDA  
COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S OFFICE  
Michael L. Hammond, County Administrator**

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DATE AND TIME OF MEETINGS • FOURTH TUESDAY AT 9:00 A.M., E.T.

Due to the catastrophic impacts to Gulf County, Florida from Hurricane Michael, please consider this three (3) year request for Triumph Funds to allow the Gulf County Board of County Commission, the Gulf County School Board and the City of Port St. Joe to continue to operate without an increase to the current Ad Valorem Mileage Rate. Please contact us with any questions.

**Gulf County Board of County Commissioners**

**\$ 1.0 M**      **Current Year**  
**\$ 3.2 M**      **Next Year**  
**\$ 3.2 M**      **2 Years Out**

**Gulf County School Board**

**\$ 450,000**      **Current Year**  
**\$ 4.6 M**      **Next Year**  
**\$ 4.6 M**      **2 Years Out**

**City of Port St. Joe**

**\$ 1.380 M**      **Current Year**  
**\$ 1.625 M**      **Next Year**  
**\$ 1.625 M**      **2 Years Out**

DAVID C. RICH  
District 1

WARD MCDANIEL  
District 2

JIMMY ROGERS  
District 3

SANDY QUINN  
District 4

PHIL MCCROAN  
District 5

## Addendum A

The Gulf County Board of County Commission along with the Gulf County School Board and the City of Port St. Joe are requesting funds to minimize the negative fiscal impacts of Hurricane Michael on our business community, our residents and our local governments. On October 10, 2018 Hurricane Michael hit our county with devastating winds and storm surge that inundated many businesses and homes to the point that many are still uninhabitable.

The most important and fundamental things for our local governments and schools are seeking to accomplish is providing the necessary services that will enable our businesses and citizens to recover, and ideally return someday to as much of a normal lifestyle as possible. As of today, we are working to restore basics such as the water and sewer services, power, communications, fire protection, law enforcement, EMS services, etc. and working with the local hospital to ensure our citizens have proper medical services and care.

While our community works each day to respond to the devastation, our local government and schools are concerned and acutely aware of the long-term effects of this storm and its destruction. The goal of the county and school board going forward is how to manage and deal with the loss of revenue sources including but not limited to water and sewer fees, loss of sales tax and other state shared revenues, and loss the of Ad Valorem tax due to our decimated tax base.

The following breakdown represents the Triumph Funds application sum:

### Gulf County Board of County Commission

\$ 1.0 M	Current Year
\$ 3.2 M	Next Year
\$ 3.2 M	2 Years Out

### Gulf County School Board

\$ 450,000	Current Year
\$ 4.6 M	Next Year
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The numbers of destroyed properties in Gulf County is staggering, many of which are also local businesses which support our revenue to keep government services and

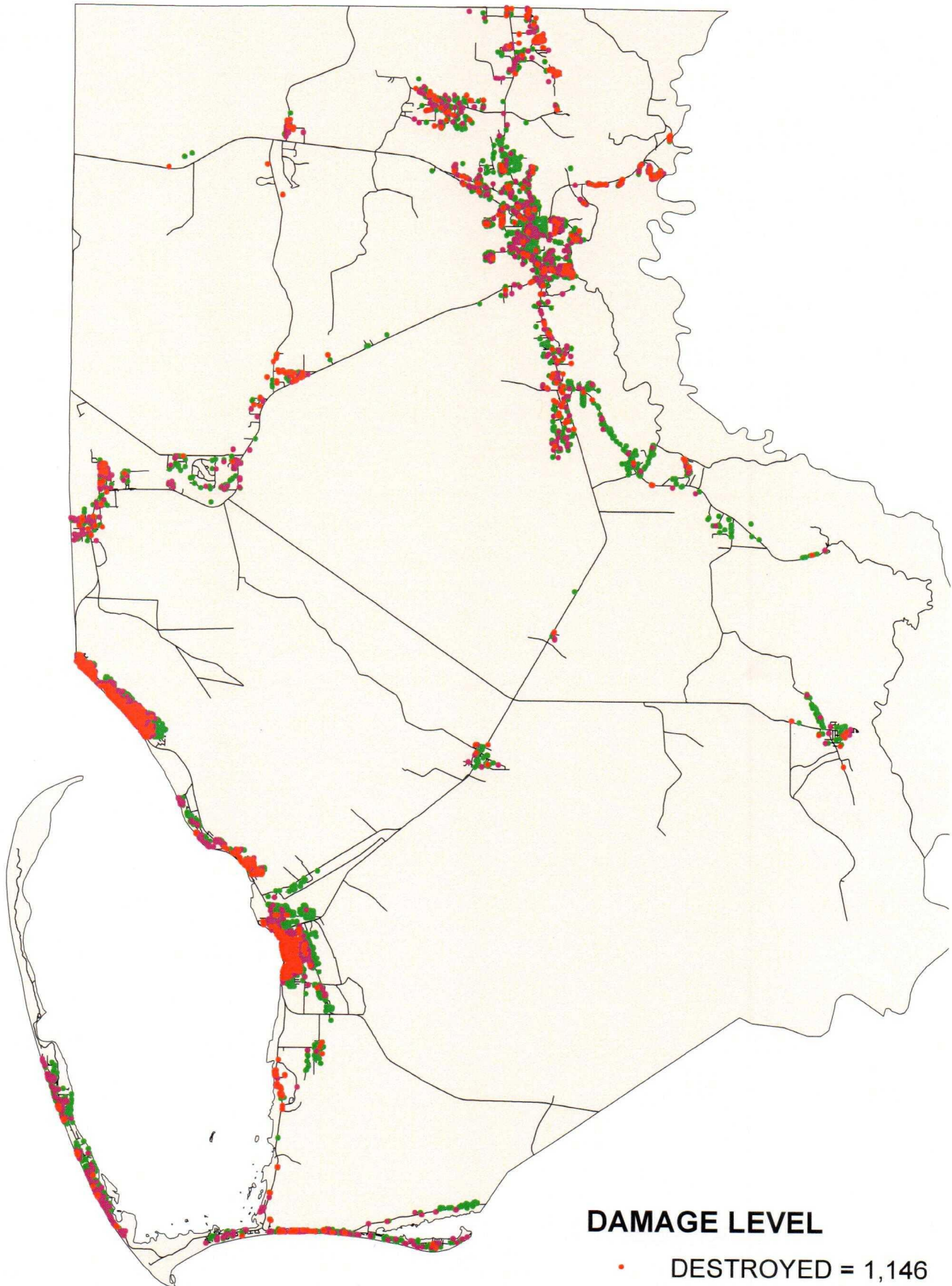
schools operational. These numbers will drop substantially for several years to come. While our business community and residents start the long process of recovery and rebuilding, it is imperative that we provide the necessary assurance that our schools and local governments will continue to provide the necessary services, resources, infrastructure and the tools for them to be successful in our collective recovery and provide a hopeful future here in Gulf County.

Our request to the Triumph Gulf Coast council is for the assistance to maintain our millage rates and ensure that we do not place the incredible burden of increased tax rates on our fragile and recovering County population and business community.

COMMUNITY NAME	# OF ADDRESSES	DESTROYED	MAJOR	MINOR	STRUCTURES AFFECTED	% STRUCTURES AFFECTED
BEACON HILL	434	103	77	117	297	68.43%
CAPE SAN BLAS & ST JOSEPH						
PENINSULA	1615	35	265	355	655	40.56%
DALKEITH	628	33	60	246	339	53.98%
HIGHLAND VIEW	321	44	34	42	120	37.38%
HONEYVILLE	146	9	23	40	72	49.32%
HOWARD CREEK	563	7	7	38	52	9.24%
INDIAN PASS	348	3	30	74	107	30.75%
JONES HOMESTEAD	201	3	2	30	35	17.41%
MONEY BAYOU	307	31	59	68	158	51.47%
OVERSTREET	758	48	106	129	283	37.34%
PORT ST JOE CITY LIMITS	2532	352	381	707	1440	56.87%
SIMMONS BAYOU	184	33	10	7	50	27.17%
ST JOE BEACH	1268	241	235	367	843	66.48%
STONEMILL CREEK	328	20	41	101	162	49.39%
WEWAHITCHKA CITY LIMITS	1494	47	179	679	905	60.58%
WHITE CITY	230	4	5	23	32	13.91%
WINDMARK BEACH PH1 (NOT IN PSJ CITY LIMITS)	111	2	18	7	27	24.32%
OTHER UNINCORPORATED						
GULF COUNTY	1599	124	231	395	750	46.90%

TOTALS: 13067 1139 1763 3425 6327

# Hurricane Michael - Damage Assessment



## DAMAGE LEVEL

- DESTROYED = 1,146
- MAJOR = 1,824
- MINOR = 3,524