



Dr. Kimberly Adams

CDBG Practice Leader

As the CDBG Practice Leader for DRS, Kimberly focuses on the strategic use of grant programs for the rebuilding of resilient communities after adverse events. She provides CDBG-DR, CDBG, and other federally funded technical assistance to public and private sector clients at the municipal, county, state, federal, multi-jurisdictional, and higher education levels across the country.

Current Responsibilities

Kimberly the CDBG Practice Leader for DRS with over 15 years' experience leading and coordinating cross-functional teams, designing IT systems, and developing process improvement strategies for public entities navigating the federal, state, and local grants space. She specializes in strategic oversight for disaster recovery grants, grant compliance procedures, community development and outreach, and affordable housing. Kimberly is currently managing multiple projects related to CARES Act funding.

Experience

Early in her career, Kimberly orchestrated daily operations for multiple city departments, government organizations, and public entities while securing funding opportunities through the effective use of efficient and productive internal relationships. Kimberly's extensive experience with federal grant programs such as CDBG

and CDBG-DR allows her to provide expert level technical assistance leading to grant program efficiency and optimal use of funds. She also has experience in writing operation and emergency management plans and delivering specialized training in emergency operations and response.

Notable Accomplishments

- Design of a database to manage the budgets for Hurricane Ike Round II commercial and residential construction projects
- Digitization of procedures for CDBG-DR programs, leading to a decrease of vendor payment turnaround time by 73%
- Creation of Single Family Home Repair Disaster Recovery Round II Inspections process and output ratio to forecast project completion and manage pipeline based upon inspection type

- Management and negotiaion of contracts with LOAs, IT, HAP, and Minor Critical Emergency Home Repair Program (MCEHRP)

Education

- Doctor of Philosopy, Urban Planning and Environmental Policy
Texas Southern University
- Master of Business Administration
Jackson State University
- Bachelor of Science, Marketing
Southern University and A&M College
- Executive Leadership Intitute (ELI)
National Forum for Black Public Administrators

Certifications

FEMA IS 100, 120, 230, 240, 2905, 700

Employment History

- Disaster Recovery Services, 2020-present
- Witt O'Brien's, 2019-2020
- City of Little Rock, AR, 2017-2018
- City of Houston, TX, 2011-2017