


Subject Specific Grant Guide

# Grants to Support Emergency & Disaster Prep Projects

This guide identifies funding opportunities released in the previous year. Please note that this guide may not capture all available funding opportunities. Additionally, some programs may have changed or may not be released due to shifting administrative priorities among funding agencies. The grants included here represent traditionally offered opportunities intended to serve as a reliable foundation for your funding research.

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**Department:** U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

# FY 2024 Section 14 – Emergency Streambank and Shoreline Protection

## Grant Overview

Section 14 of the 1946 Flood Control Act provides the Corps of Engineers authority to construct emergency shoreline and stream bank protection works to protect public facilities, such as bridges, roads, public buildings, sewage treatment plants, water wells, and nonprofit public facilities, such as churches, hospitals, and schools. Eligible local sponsors are municipalities or public agencies, fully authorized under state laws to give such assurances and must be financially capable of fulfilling all measures of local cooperation.

## Program History

| | Total Funding Per Project | # of Awards |
|---|---|---|
| 2021 | $5 million | N/A |

## Key Information

**Total Funding:** Unspecified
**Award Range:** Up to $5 million
**Match:** Varies
**Solicitation date/Proposal Due:** Rolling

- An interested project sponsor must first submit written request, and when funding is available, the Corps initiates a preliminary analysis to determine if a potential project meets program requirements and federal participation is justified.

More information on this program can be found here.

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## Awardee Profile

Riverside Drive

Clarksville, TN

YEAR: 2012

Streambank erosion is threatening 1300 feet of publicly owned shoreline at the current rate of 1 foot per year. The erosion also threatens existing underground sewer lines and drainpipes, five public power poles and 1300 feet of guardrail.

**Department:** U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

# FY 2024 Section 14 – Emergency Streambank and Shoreline Protection

## Detailed Summary

Section 14 of the 1946 Flood Control Act provides the Corps of Engineers authority to construct emergency shoreline and stream bank protection works to protect public facilities, such as bridges, roads, public buildings, sewage treatment plants, water wells, and nonprofit public facilities, such as churches, hospitals, and schools from flood and storm damage due to erosion.

Section 14 projects have two phases. Projects will undergo a Feasibility phase (study phase) and then conduct a Design and Implementation Phase (detailed project design and construction).

The Corps conducts an initial appraisal early in the Feasibility Study to determine whether the project meets program criteria and provides a basis for determining scope and cost of an entire feasibility study. If an acceptable alternative is identified in the feasibility study, the Corps prepares plans and specifications, then manages construction of the project.

## Applicant Eligibility

Eligible local sponsors are municipalities or public agencies, fully authorized under state laws to give such assurances and must be financially capable of fulfilling all measures of local cooperation.

## Funding

An unspecified amount of funding is available to support projects up to $5 million in total project costs.

## Matching and Cost Sharing

Projects are undertaken on a cost shared basis. The Feasibility Study is 100 percent federally funded up to $100,000. The local sponsor is required to cost-share equally the cost of the Feasibility Study that exceeds $100,000. The local sponsor is also required to provide 35 percent of the implementation costs of developing plans and specifications and construction. The non-federal share of project implementation costs may include credit for lands, easements, rights-of-way, relocations, and disposal areas (LERRD) necessary for the project, plus a cash contribution of 5 percent of the total project implementation costs. In the event that the value of LERRD, plus 5 percent, does not equal at least 35 percent of the total project implementation cost, the non-federal sponsor must contribute additional cash to equal 35 percent.

## Contact Information

Requests for assistance should be in the form of a letter describing the location and nature of the problem and requesting assistance under the program. The request should be submitted by a state or local government agency to the Chief of the Planning Division of your regional U.S. Army Corps of Engineers office. A list of Corps regional offices can be found here. A sample request letter can be found here.

More information on this program can be found here.

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GRANT PROFILE

**Department:** U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

# FY 2024 Section 205 – Flood Damage Reduction Projects

## Grant Overview

Section 205 of the 1948 Flood Control Act authorizes the Corps of Engineers to plan, design, and construct structural and non-structural flood control projects in partnership with nonfederal government agencies, such as cities, counties, special authorities, or units of state government. Projects are planned and designed under this authority to provide the same complete flood risk management project that would be provided under specific congressional authorizations. Eligible applicants are non-federal government agencies, such as cities, counties, special authorities, or units of state government that partner with The Corps of Engineers.

## Program History

| | Total Funding Per Project | # of Awards |
|---|---|---|
| 2021 | $10 million | N/A |

## Key Information and Tips

**Total Funding:** Unspecified
**Award Range:** Up to $10 million
**Match:** Varies
**Solicitation date/Proposal Due:** Rolling

- An interested project sponsor must first submit written request, and when funding is available, the Corps initiates a preliminary analysis to determine if a potential project meets program requirements and federal participation is justified.

More information on this program can be found here.

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## Awardee Profile

Sims Bayou Federal Damage Reduction Project

Harris County, TX

YEAR: 2019

The project includes 19.3 miles of bayou enlargements and environmental enhancements along Sims Bayou from the Houston Ship Channel to Croquet Lane, just west of South Post Oak Road and the replacement of modification of 22 bridges that cross Sims Bayou.

**Department:** U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

# FY 2024 Section 205 – Flood Damage Reduction Projects

## Detailed Summary

Section 205 of the 1948 Flood Control Act authorizes the Corps of Engineers to plan, design, and construct structural and nonstructural flood control projects in partnership with nonfederal government agencies, such as cities, counties, special authorities, or units of state government. Projects are planned and designed under this authority to provide the same complete flood risk management project that would be provided under specific congressional authorizations. Each project must be economically justified, environmentally sound, and technically feasible. Each project must be economically justified, environmentally sound, and technically feasible.

Flood risk management projects are not limited to any particular type of improvement. Levee and channel modifications are examples of flood risk management projects constructed utilizing the Section 205 authority.

In response to a written request from a potential nonfederal sponsor, the Corps conducts an initial appraisal to determine whether the project meets program criteria and provides a basis for determining scope and cost of an entire feasibility study. If a federal interest is verified, a feasibility study occurs that identifies and comprehensively evaluates alternatives and recommends a plan for implementation. If a project is approved for implementation the Corps prepares plans and specifications regarding the maintenance and operations responsibilities before construction may begin.

## Applicant Eligibility

The Corps of Engineers will partner with non-federal government agencies, such as cities, counties, special authorities, or units of state government.

## Funding

There is an unspecified amount of funding available to support projects with up to $10 million in total project costs.

## Matching and Cost Sharing

The feasibility study is 100% federally funded up to $100,000. Costs over $100,000 are shared equally with the nonfederal sponsor. Up to one-half of the nonfederal share can be in the form of in-kind services. Costs for preparation of plans and specifications are shared at 65 percent federal/35 percent nonfederal (construction cost-share varies between 50% and 65% federal, based on the type [structural or nonstructural] solution). The nonfederal share of construction consists of provision of any necessary lands, easements, rights-of-way, relocations, and disposal areas (LERRD), plus a cash contribution of 5% of the total project costs. In the event that the value of LERRD, plus 5% cash, does not equal at least 35% of the total project cost, the nonfederal sponsor must contribute additional cash to pay their share. If LERRD plus 5% exceeds 35%, the sponsor is responsible for up to a maximum of 50% of the total project costs.

## Contact Information

Requests for assistance should be in the form of a letter describing the location and nature of the problem and requesting assistance under the program. The request should be submitted by a state or local government agency to the Chief of the Planning Division of your regional U.S. Army Corps of Engineers office. A list of Corps regional offices can be found here. A sample request letter for the New England division of the Corps can be found here.

More information on this program can be found here.

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**Department:** U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

# FY 2024 Silver Jackets Program

## Grant Overview

The objective of the USACE Silver Jackets National Program is to lead collaborative, comprehensive and sustainable Silver Jackets teams to improve safety and reduce flood damages to our country. Silver Jackets teams in states across the country bring together multiple state, federal, and sometimes tribal and local agencies to learn from one another and apply their knowledge to reduce the risk of flooding and other natural disasters in the United States and enhance response and recovery efforts when such events do occur. The program works with other federal agencies, state organizations, and regional and local agencies.

## Program History

This program provides technical assistance and varies based on each state-led Silver Jacket team.

## Key Information and Tips

**Total Funding:** N/A
**Award Range:** Technical Assistance
**Match:** Not required
**Proposal due:** Varies by state

- Deadlines for Silver Jacket team proposals vary by state
- Rather than providing monetary funds, this program provides technical assistance
- The Silver Jackets program is an ongoing program by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers that promotes the development of Silver Jacket teams and provides technical assistance to teams in need

https://silverjackets.nfrmp.us/

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## Awardee Profile

Nebraska Silver Jackets

YEAR: 2019

The Nebraska Silver Jackets team responded to the 2019 Missouri River basin floods. The team assisted with response and recovery, engaging at the Joint Field Office and collecting highwater mark data. The team successfully coordinated and transitioned into recovery, hosting three virtual post-flood workshops for communities about post-flood activities, grant opportunities, and agency resources to support recovery.

**Department:** U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

# FY 2024 Silver Jackets Program

## Detailed Summary

Silver Jackets teams are collaborative state-led interagency teams, continuously working together to reduce flood risk and sometimes other natural disasters at the state level. Through the Silver Jackets program, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers; the Federal Emergency Management Agency; and additional federal, state and sometimes local and tribal agencies provide a unified approach to addressing a state's priorities.

The Silver Jackets team is the forum where all relevant agencies come together with the state to collaboratively plan and implement interagency solutions. Through partnerships, Silver Jackets optimize the multi-agency utilization of federal resources by leveraging state/local/tribal resources, including information, talent and funding, while preventing duplication of effort.

Focal areas vary as state priorities vary. Team activities of the Silver Jackets program have included: state hazard mitigation plan updates, inundation mapping, tabletop exercises, development of emergency action plans, risk communication workshops, and coordination of perishable data collection, and many others.

*U.S. Army Corps of Engineers supports state-led Silver Jackets Teams through its Flood Risk Management Program (FRMP).* The FRMP works across the agency to focus the policies, programs and expertise of USACE toward reducing overall flood risk. This includes the appropriate use and resiliency of structures such as levees and floodwalls, as well as promoting alternatives when other approaches (e.g., land acquisition, flood proofing, etc.) reduce the risk of loss of life, reduce long-term economic damages to the public and private sector, and improve the natural environment.

## Applicant Eligibility

Although each state Silver Jackets team is unique, common agency participants include state agencies with mission areas of hazard mitigation, emergency management, floodplain management, or natural resource conservation.

Federal participation typically includes the Federal Emergency Management Agency, National Weather Service, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, U.S. Geological Survey, as well as the Natural Resource Conservation Service, Environmental Protection Agency, among others. Some teams include membership from Tribes and academic institutions, regional and local government, and non-governmental organizations.

## Funding

This program provides technical assistance and resources for state-led Silver Jackets teams. There is no monetary award associated with this program.

A portion of Corps Flood Plain Management Services (FPMS) funding is allocated to interagency work. The FPMS budget was increased in order to achieve the Administration's objective to utilize the agency's expertise in engineering to provide local communities and states with technical and planning assistance regarding the development and implementation of nonstructural approaches to manage and reduce flood risks.

## Matching and Cost Sharing

Matching is not required for this program.

## Contact Information

Applicants should contact their state Silver Jacket Coordinator. A directory of state contacts can be found here.

https://silverjackets.nfrmp.us/

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GRANT PROFILE

**Agency:** Corporation for National and Community Service

# FY 2025 AmeriCorps National Civilian Community Corps (NCCC) Program

## Grant Overview

The purpose of this program is to strengthen communities and develop leaders through direct, team-based national and community service projects on a short-term basis. Eligible applicants include nonprofit organizations, federal, state, and local governments, Native American tribes, schools, and school districts.

## Program History

There is no program history.

## Key Information and Tips

**Total Funding:** Rather than providing monetary awards, this program places a full-time team of 8 to 12 AmeriCorps NCCC members and one team leader to serve with sponsoring organizations.
**Match:** Unspecified
**Solicitation date**: Unspecified
**Proposal due:** Due dates will vary according to region and are based on the dates for which the applicant requests an NCCC team.

- To initiate the application process, applicants must contact the appropriate regional campus to discuss the project
- Mandatory project concept forms must be submitted to the appropriate regional campus by the specific regional deadline
- Applications should be submitted at least four months prior to the preferred start date of the project

https://americorps.gov/partner/how-it-works/americorps-nccc

## Awardee Profile

## Tips

- Projects will typically last 3-13 weeks
- Resources are available up to 60 weeks
- Project Sponsors must provide technical oversight and direction to the NCCC team each day
- Project Sponsors must provide lodging and cooking facilities.

# FY 2025 National Civilian Community Corps (NCCC) Program

## Detailed Summary

The purpose of this program is to strengthen communities and develop leaders through direct, team-based national and community service projects on a short-term basis. Rather than providing monetary awards, this program places a full-time team of 8 to 12 AmeriCorps National Civilian Community Corps (NCCC) members and one team leader to serve with sponsoring organizations to help meet a critical community need that would not be fully addressed without additional assistance.

NCCC members represent a wide variety of socioeconomic, cultural, geographic, and educational backgrounds, and will complete projects in the following focus areas:

**Natural and other disasters:** preparedness, response, recovery, and mitigation projects that address the needs of communities affected by floods, hurricanes, wildfires, and other disasters; examples of eligible service activities include:

- Supporting disaster recovery centers, shelters, and facilities
- Preparing and distributing meals or water
- Mucking and gutting storm-damaged homes and buildings
- Debris removal
- Roof tarping

**Infrastructure improvement:** projects that address the needs of communities by contributing to the safety and well-being of community citizens through the repair and building of public structures; examples of eligible service activities include:

- Building and repairing wheelchair ramps, boardwalks, and footbridges
- Assembling playgrounds
- Repairing and painting public facilities
- Renovating museums, historical buildings, and cemeteries
- Restoring and refurbishing picnic areas and campsites

**Environmental stewardship and conservation:** projects that address the needs of communities by helping them maintain and protect their natural resources; examples of eligible service activities include:

- Trail building and maintenance
- Planting trees
- Removing invasive plant species
- Cleaning up rivers, streams, and wetlands
- Addressing climate mitigation, adaptation, and resilience
- Facilitating environmental education workshops and camps for youth

**Energy conservation:** projects that address the needs of communities by helping citizens to more effectively and efficiently utilize their local resources; examples of eligible service activities include:

- Conducting energy-efficiency assessments
- Assisting with installations of energy-efficient modifications to homes, businesses, and public facilities
- Developing and improving recycling programs
- Performing home-weatherization projects
- Facilitating educational programming on energy sustainability and conservation practices

**Urban and rural development**: projects that address the needs of communities in ways that improve the quality of life for citizens; examples of eligible service activities include:

- Supporting homeless shelters, food banks, and youth and family service organizations
- Renovating and constructing homes for those in need
- Leading neighborhood and community revitalization projects
- Community and school gardens and summer feeding programs
- Assisting students, parents, and families through tutoring and after-school programming

## Applicant Eligibility

Eligible applicants are nonprofit, secular, and faith-based organizations; local municipalities and city governments; state governments; the federal government; Native American and Alaskan tribes; national or state parks, forests, and other public lands; and schools and school districts.

To initiate the application process, applicants must contact the appropriate regional campus to discuss the project. Mandatory project concept form deadlines will vary according to each of this program's four regional campuses. Project concept forms must be submitted to the appropriate regional campus. Specific submission instructions will be provided by the regional campus. Applicants that submit a successful project concept form will be invited to complete a full application. Generally, applications should be submitted at least four months prior to the preferred start date of the project.

## Funding

In FY 2025, rather than providing monetary awards, this program places a full-time team of 8 to 12 AmeriCorps NCCC members and one team leader to serve with sponsoring organizations to help meet a critical community need that would not be fully addressed without additional assistance.

In addition, this program will provide sponsoring organizations with a team leader to coordinate the team; one 15-passenger van and fuel; funds for food and laundry; and Federal Tort Claims Act and Federal Employees Coverage Act insurance.

Projects will typically last 3 to 13 weeks but will vary depending on the specific requirements of each project. Project sponsors can receive NCCC resources for up to 60 weeks. Exceptions may be granted for strategic, mission-critical projects and disaster response and recovery projects.

## Matching and Cost Sharing

The NCCC program has an unspecified cost match. However, if selected as a sponsoring organization, applicants will be required to provide NCCC members with the following: on-site technical oversight and direction with the team each day; at least 40 hours of enriching service per week, per member; project supplies, equipment, materials, and any necessary building permits; schedule of work and training plan; lodging with showers; cooking facilities, unless meals are provided; service-learning support and opportunities to understand community impact; Inclement-weather work plan.

## Contact Information

To initiate the application process applicants must contact the appropriate regional campus.

https://americorps.gov/partner/how-it-works/americorps-nccc

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GRANT PROFILE

**Department:** U.S. Department of Agriculture
**Agency:** Office of Rural Development

# FY 2024 Community Facilities Program Disaster Repair Grants

## Grant Overview

The purpose of this program is to repair essential community facilities damaged by presidentially declared disasters in calendar year 2022 or to repair or replace essential community facilities damaged by presidentially declared disasters in calendar year 2023 and other disasters in calendar year 2023. Projects must be located in a rural area, except for utility-type services such as telecommunications or hydroelectric that serve both rural and non-rural areas; financially feasible; for public use; necessary for orderly community development; and consistent with the state strategic plan. Eligible applicants are state and local governments, nonprofit corporations or associations that have significant ties with the local rural community, unless they are nonprofit utilities, and federally recognized Indian tribes.

## Program History

This is a new program authorized under the Disaster Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2023 of the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2023.

## Key Information

**Total Funding:** $38 million
**Award Range:** None
**Match:** Varies
**Solicitation date**: July 29, 2024
**Proposal due:** Rolling

More information can be found here.

## Tips

- Applications will be accepted on a first-come, first-served, rolling basis until all funds are expended.
- To initiate the application process, applicants must contact the appropriate state office listed online at *www.rd.usda.gov/about-rd/state-offices*.

**Department:** U.S. Department of Agriculture
**Agency:** Office of Rural Development

# FY 2024 Community Facilities Program Disaster Repair Grants

## Detailed Summary

The purpose of this program is to repair essential community facilities damaged by presidentially declared disasters in calendar year 2022 or to repair or replace essential community facilities damaged by presidentially declared disasters in calendar year 2023 and other disasters in calendar year 2023. Projects must be located in rural areas, except for utility-type services such as telecommunications or hydroelectric that serve both rural and non-rural areas; financially feasible; for public use; necessary for orderly community development; and consistent with the state strategic plan.

For the purposes of this program, essential community facilities are those public improvements requisite to the beneficial and orderly development of a community and operated on a nonprofit basis. Examples of such facilities include:

- Fire, rescue, and public safety facilities
- Health services facilities
- Community, social, or cultural services facilities
- Transportation facilities such as streets, roads, and bridges
- Hydroelectric generating facilities and related connecting systems and appurtenances, when not eligible for Rural Utility Service (RUS) financing
- Telecommunications equipment as it relates to medical and educational telecommunications links
- Supplemental and supporting structures for other rural electrification or telephone systems, when not eligible for RUS financing
- Natural gas distribution systems
- Industrial park sites, but only to the extent of land acquisition and necessary site preparation, including access ways and utility extensions to and throughout the site

Funds may be used for:

- Constructing, enlarging, extending, or otherwise improving essential community facilities providing essential service primarily to rural residents and rural businesses, including facilities such as educational and other publicly owned facilities
- Constructing or relocating public buildings, roads, bridges, fences, or utilities and to make other public improvements necessary to the successful operation or protection of facilities
- Relocating private buildings, roads, bridges, fences, or utilities, and other private improvements necessary to the successful operation or protection of facilities
- Reasonable fees and costs, such as legal, engineering, architectural, fiscal advisory, recording, environmental impact analyses, archeological surveys, and possible salvage or other mitigation measures, planning, establishing, or acquiring rights

- Costs of acquiring interest in land; rights, such as water rights, leases, permits, and rights-of way; and other evidence of land or water control necessary for development of the facilities
- Purchasing or renting equipment necessary to install, maintain, extend, protect, operate, or utilize facilities

The funding agency encourages applicants to consider projects that will advance the following key priorities:

- Helping rural communities to recover economically through more and better market opportunities and through improved infrastructure
- Ensuring all rural residents have equitable access to RD programs and benefits from RD-funded projects
- Reducing climate pollution and increasing resilience to the impacts of climate change through economic support to rural communities

## Applicant Eligibility

Eligible applicants are state and local governments, nonprofit corporations or associations that have significant ties with the local rural community, unless they are nonprofit utilities, and federally recognized Indian tribes.

Applicants must propose projects located in an eligible rural area, including a rural area of a reservation for tribes, impacted by eligible 2022 disasters or eligible 2023 disasters. Information on determining if a project is located in an area with a Presidential Disaster Declaration is available here.

Applicants must:

- Be unable to finance the proposed project from their own resources, other funding resources, or through commercial credit at reasonable rates and terms.
- Have the legal authority and responsibility to own, construct, operate, and maintain the proposed facility

## Funding

In FY 2024, up to $38 million is available to support awards through this program. There is no minimum or maximum award amount.

The project period will be noted in the award agreement and will extend for five years from the date of obligation of funds.

## Matching and Cost Sharing

Matching requirements will vary according to population size and median household income, as follows:

- Projects located in rural communities with populations of 5,000 or less and median household incomes below the higher of the poverty line or 60 percent of the state non-metropolitan median household income: applicants must provide at least 25 percent of the total project costs via cash contributions
- Projects located in rural communities with populations of 12,000 or less and median household incomes below the higher of the poverty line or 70 percent of the state non-metropolitan median

household income: applicants must provide at least 45 percent of the total project costs via cash contributions

- Projects located in rural communities with populations of 20,000 or less and median household incomes below the higher of the poverty line or 80 percent of the state non-metropolitan median household income: applicants must provide at least 65 percent of the total project costs via cash contributions
- Projects located in rural communities with populations of 50,000 or less and median household incomes below the higher of the poverty line or 90 percent of the state non-metropolitan median household income: applicants must provide at least 85 percent of the total project costs via cash contributions
- Projects located in rural communities with populations of 20,000 or less and median household incomes below the higher of the poverty line or 90 percent of the state non-metropolitan median household income: applicants must provide at least 40 percent of the total project costs via cash contributions; this level is only available to communities impacted by a disaster that has resulted in a loss of 60 percent of the community's population and is located in a rural community designated as a major disaster area by the president

Matching contributions may include other Community Facilities Program financial assistance, applicant contributions, or loans and grants from other sources.

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https://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/community-facilities/community-facilities-program-disaster-repair-grants

FEDERAL
GRANT PROFILE

**Department:** U.S. Department of Agriculture
**Agency:** U.S. Forest Service

# FY 2025 Community Wildfire Defense Grant (CWDG) Program: Southern Region

## Grant Overview

The purpose of this program is to assist at-risk local communities and Indian tribes with planning for and mitigating against the risk created by wildfire. Eligible applicants are units of local governments representing communities located in an area with a risk of wildfires; Indian tribes; non-profit organizations including homeowner associations that assist such communities; state forestry agencies; and Alaska Native Corporations. Projects will be carried out within the footprint of the southern states which include Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, North Carolina, Oklahoma, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, and Virginia, and for Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands.

## Program History

| | Total Funding | # of Awards |
|---|---|---|
| 2024 | $250 million | 158 |
| 2023 | $197 million | 100 |

## Key Information

**Total Funding:** Up to $200 million
**Award Range:** Varies
**Match:** Varies
**Solicitation date:** November 21, 2024
**Proposal due:** February 28, 2025

https://www.fs.usda.gov/managing-land/fire/grants/cwdg

## Awardee Profile

Jasper County Fuels Mitigation Program, Jasper County, Texas

YEAR: 2024
AWARD AMOUNT: $9,904,895

The project will obtain necessary equipment to clear vegetation in the road rights-of-way to create fire breaks and support a wildfire coordinator and specialists to educate and support high-risk property owners to implement wildfire risk and mitigation efforts. Additionally, the project will implement the Wildland Urban Interface (WUI) Structure/Parcel/Community Fire Hazard Mitigation Methodology (HMM).

**Department:** U.S. Department of Agriculture
**Agency:** U.S. Forest Service

# FY 2025 Community Wildfire Defense Grant (CWDG) Program: Southern Region

## Detailed Summary

The purpose of this program is to assist at-risk local communities and Indian tribes with planning for and mitigating against the risk created by wildfire. This program prioritizes at-risk communities that are in an area identified as having high or very high wildfire hazard potential, are low-income, and/or have been impacted by a severe disaster.

There are two primary project types for which the grant provides funding:

- The development and revising of Community Wildfire Protection Plans (CWPPs)
- The implementation of projects described in a CWPP that is less than ten years old

A project proposal must advance objectives and priorities identified in a community wildfire protection plan that is not more than 10 years old (defined as a CWPP signed during calendar year 2013 or later).

A project proposal must be designed to achieve one or more of the following objectives:

- Assist a community with planning to address management of wildfire risk
- Assist a community with mitigation measures or actions to reduce wildfire risk

Applicants will have the responsibility to indicate on the application if they meet any or all of the three priorities. The applicant will also need to provide supporting documentation or a link to such documentation for each priority that is checked. Priority will be given to project proposals that:

- Are located in an area identified as having a high or very high wildfire hazard potential;
- Benefit a low-income community; or
- Are located in a community impacted by a severe disaster within the previous 10 years.

The CWDG also helps communities in the WUI implement the three goals of the National Cohesive Wildland Fire Management Strategy (Cohesive Strategy):

- Resilient Landscapes: Landscapes, regardless of jurisdictional boundaries, are resilient to fire, insect, disease, invasive species, and climate change disturbances, in accordance with management objectives.
- Fire Adapted Communities: Human populations and infrastructure are as prepared as possible to receive, respond to, and recover from wildland fire.
- Safe, Effective, Risk-based Wildfire Response: All jurisdictions participate in making and implementing safe, effective, efficient risk-based wildfire management decisions.

## Applicant Eligibility

Eligible applicants are units of local governments representing communities located in an area with a risk of wildfires; Indian tribes; non-profit organizations including homeowner associations that assist such communities; state forestry agencies; and Alaska Native Corporations. Projects will be carried out within the footprint of the southern states which include Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, North Carolina, Oklahoma, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, and Virginia, and for Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands.

Eligible applicants may apply for grant funding for a project proposal to be conducted on lands with the following ownership types, provided the project proposal directly reduces wildfire risk to a community:

- Private lands,
- Local governments,
- Homeowner associations,
- State governments, and
- Tribal/Alaska native corporation (includes Trust lands).

## Funding

In FY 2025, up to $200 million is estimated to be available to support an unspecified number of awards through this program. There is no minimum federal funding limit for projects under this program. The maximum amount of federal funding awarded to any one community or tribe via this competitive process is:

- $250,000 for the creation or updating of a Community Wildfire Protection Plan, and
- $10 million for a project described within a Community Wildfire Protection Plan less than 10 years old.

## Matching and Cost Sharing

This program has differing levels of match dependent upon the proposal for which is being applied. For proposals to develop or update a CWPP, the required match is 10%. For proposals to plan and/or implement projects described within a CWPP, the required match is 25%.

Communities meeting the definition of underserved, Indian tribes, ANCs, and Pacific Islands may request a waiver of match**.**

## Contact Information

U.S. Forest Service Washington Office Fire and Aviation Management Program Contact:
Cooperative Fire Branch
sm.fs.usfs_cwdg@usda.gov

https://www.fs.usda.gov/managing-land/fire/grants/cwdg

FEDERAL
GRANT PROFILE

**Department:** U.S. Department of Agriculture
**Agency:** U.S. Forest Service

# FY 2025 Community Wildfire Defense Grant (CWDG) Program: Western Region

## Grant Overview

The purpose of this program is to assist at-risk local communities and Indian Tribes with planning for and mitigating against the risk created by wildfire. Eligible applicants are units of local governments representing communities located in an area with a risk of wildfires, Indian Tribes, non-profit organizations, state forestry agencies, and Alaska Native Corporations. Projects will be carried out within the footprint of the Western States and Territories, which include Alaska, Arizona, California, Colorado, Hawaii, Idaho, Kansas, Montana, Nebraska, Nevada, New Mexico, North Dakota, Oregon, South Dakota, Utah, Washington, Wyoming, the territories of American Samoa and Guam, the Republic of Palau and the Marshall Islands, the Federated States of Micronesia, and the Commonwealth of Northern Mariana Islands.

## Program History

| | Total Funding | # of Awards |
|---|---|---|
| 2024 | $250 million | 158 |
| 2023 | $197 million | 100 |

## Key Information

**Total Funding:** Up to $200 million
**Award Range:** Varies
**Match**: Varies
**Solicitation date**: November 21, 2024
**Proposal due:** March 14, 2025

https://www.fs.usda.gov/managing-land/fire/grants/cwdg

## Awardee Profile

Butte County Fire Safe Council
Butte County, CA

YEAR: 2024
AMOUNT: $2,745,673

Funding will be used to bolster Butte County's community wildfire defenses, focusing on implementation of fuels management objectives, defensible space clearance and wildfire mitigation education in Wildland Urban Interface (WUI) communities. Initiatives will improve wildfire emergency response, assist in creating fire adapted communities, and aid in restoring and maintaining landscapes that have previously been impacted by severe disasters.

**Department:** U.S. Department of Agriculture
**Agency:** U.S. Forest Service

# FY 2025 Community Wildfire Defense Grant (CWDG) Program: Western Region

## Detailed Summary

The purpose of this program is to assist at-risk local communities and Indian Tribes with planning and mitigating against the risk created by wildfire. There are two primary project types for which the grant provides funding: the development and revising of Community Wildfire Protection Plans (CWPP), and the implementation of projects described in a CWPP that is less than ten years old (defined as a CWPP signed during calendar year 2014 or later).

A project proposal must be designed to achieve one or more of the following objectives: assist a community with planning to address management of wildfire risk, and/or assist a community with mitigation measures or actions to reduce wildfire risk.

Applicants will have the responsibility to indicate on the application if they meet any or all of the three following priorities listed below. The applicant will also need to provide supporting documentation or a link to such documentation for each priority that is checked. Priority will be given to projects that:

- Are located in an area identified as having a high or very high wildfire hazard potential;
- Benefit a low-income community; or
- Are located in a community impacted by a severe disaster within the previous 10 years.

The CWDG also helps communities in the wildland urban interface (WUI) implement the three goals of the National Cohesive Wildland Fire Management Strategy (Cohesive Strategy):

- **Resilient Landscapes:** Landscapes, regardless of jurisdictional boundaries, are resilient to fire, insect, disease, invasive species, and climate change disturbances, in accordance with management objectives.
- **Fire Adapted Communities:** Human populations and infrastructure are as prepared as possible to receive, respond to, and recover from wildland fire.
- **Safe, Effective, Risk-based Wildfire Response:** All jurisdictions participate in making and implementing safe, effective, efficient risk-based wildfire management decisions.

## Applicant Eligibility

Eligible applicants are units of local governments representing communities located in an area with a risk of wildfires; Indian Tribes; non-profit organizations including homeowner associations that assist such communities; state forestry agencies (including U.S. territories and interests); and Alaska Native Corporations. Projects will be carried out within the footprint of the Western States and Territories, which include Alaska, Arizona, California, Colorado, Hawaii, Idaho, Kansas, Montana, Nebraska, Nevada, New Mexico, North Dakota, Oregon, South Dakota, Utah, Washington, Wyoming, Territory of American Samoa, Republic of Palau,

Federated States of Micronesia, Territory of Guam, Commonwealth of Northern Mariana Islands, and the Republic of the Marshall Islands.

Eligible applicants may apply for grant funding for a project proposal to be conducted on lands with the following ownership types, provided the project proposal directly reduces wildfire risk to a community:

- Private lands,
- Local governments,
- Homeowner associations,
- State government, and
- Tribal/Alaska native corporation (includes Trust lands).

Applicants are strongly encouraged to reach out to the relevant State Forestry Agency and Forest Service Cooperative Fire Specialist during application development to ensure the project aligns with program purpose and eligibility and to receive input to strengthen the application. State Forester contact information is available on the National Association of State Foresters website.

## Funding

In FY 2025, up to $200 million is estimated to be available to support an unspecified number of awards through this program. There is no minimum Federal funding limit for projects under this program. The maximum amount of federal funding awarded to any one community or tribe via this competitive process is:

- $250,000 for the creation or updating of a Community Wildfire Protection Plan (CWPP)
- $10 million for a project described within a CWPP that is less than 10 years old

## Cost Sharing and Matching

The program has differing levels of non-federal match dependent upon the proposal for which is being applied. For proposals to develop or update a CWPP, the required match is 10 percent. For proposals to plan and/or implement projects described within a CWPP, the required match is 25 percent.

Communities meeting the definition of underserved, Indian Tribes, ANCs, and Pacific Islands may request a waiver of match.

## Contact Information

U.S. Forest Service Washington Office Fire and Aviation Management Program Contact for CWDG:
Cooperative Fire Branch
sm.fs.usfs_cwdg@usda.gov

https://www.fs.usda.gov/managing-land/fire/grants/cwdg

FEDERAL
GRANT PROFILE

**Department:** U.S. Department of Agriculture
**Agency:** U.S. Forest Service

# FY 2025 Community Wildfire Defense Grant Northeast-Midwest Region

## Grant Overview

This program will assist at-risk local communities and Indian Tribes with planning and mitigating against the risk created by wildfire. Eligible applicants are units of local governments representing communities located in an area with a risk of wildfires; Indian Tribes; non-profit organizations including homeowner associations that assist such communities; state forestry agencies (including U.S. territories and interests); and Alaska Native Corporations. Projects must be located within the footprint of the Northeast-Midwest States (Connecticut, Delaware, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Vermont, West Virginia and Wisconsin.

## Program History

| | Total Funding | # of Awards |
|---|---|---|
| 2024 | $250 million | 158 |
| 2023 | $197 million | 100 |

## Key Information and Tips

**Total Funding:** Up to $200 million
**Award Range:** Varies
**Match:** Varies
**Solicitation date:** November 21, 2024
**Proposal due:** February 28, 2025

https://www.fs.usda.gov/managing-land/fire/grants

## Awardee Profile

Tuolumne County, Tuolumne County Community Wildfire Defense Project

YEAR: 2023

AWARD AMOUNT: $10 million

This program will provide funding for defensible space work on approximately 1,290 homes, roadside vegetation management on approx. twenty-three miles of road and outreach to create additional Firewise Communities and other fire adaptive cohorts within at-risk and low-income communities.

**Department:** U.S. Department of Agriculture
**Agency:** U.S. Forest Service

# FY 2025 Community Wildfire Defense Grant Program Northeast-Midwest Region

## Detailed Summary

The purpose of this program is to assist at-risk local communities and Indian tribes with planning for and mitigating against the risk created by wildfire. This program prioritizes at-risk communities that are in an area identified as having high or very high wildfire hazard potential, are low-income, and/or have been impacted by a severe disaster.

There are two primary project types for which the grant provides funding:

- The development and revising of Community Wildfire Protection Plans (CWPPs)
- The implementation of projects described in a CWPP that is less than ten years old

A project proposal must advance objectives and priorities identified in a community wildfire protection plan that is not more than 10 years old (defined as a CWPP signed during calendar year 2013 or later).

A project proposal must be designed to achieve one or more of the following objectives:

- Assist a community with planning to address management of wildfire risk
- Assist a community with mitigation measures or actions to reduce wildfire risk

Applicants will have the responsibility to indicate on the application if they meet any or all of the three priorities. The applicant will also need to provide supporting documentation or a link to such documentation for each priority that is checked. Priority will be given to project proposals that:

- Are located in an area identified as having a high or very high wildfire hazard potential;
- Benefit a low-income community; or
- Are located in a community impacted by a severe disaster within the previous 10 years

The CWDG also helps communities in the WUI implement the three goals of the National Cohesive Wildland Fire Management Strategy (Cohesive Strategy):

- Resilient Landscapes: Landscapes, regardless of jurisdictional boundaries, are resilient to fire, insect, disease, invasive species, and climate change disturbances, in accordance with management objectives.
- Fire Adapted Communities: Human populations and infrastructure are as prepared as possible to receive, respond to, and recover from wildland fire.
- Safe, Effective, Risk-based Wildfire Response: All jurisdictions participate in making and implementing safe, effective, efficient risk-based wildfire management decisions.

## Applicant Eligibility

Eligible applicants are units of local governments representing communities located in an area with a risk of wildfires; Indian Tribes; non-profit organizations including homeowner associations that assist such communities; state forestry agencies (including U.S. territories and interests); and Alaska Native Corporations. Projects must be located within the footprint of the Northeast-Midwest States (Connecticut, Delaware, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Vermont, West Virginia and Wisconsin.

Eligible applicants may apply for grant funding for a project proposal to be conducted on lands with the following ownership types, provided the project proposal directly reduces wildfire risk to a community:

- Private lands,
- Local governments,
- Homeowner associations,
- State government, and
- Tribal/Alaska native corporation (includes Trust lands).

## Funding

In FY 2025, up to $200 million is estimated to be available to support an unspecified number of awards through this program. There is no minimum federal funding limit for projects under this program. The maximum amount of federal funding awarded to any one community or tribe via this competitive process is:

- $250,000 for the creation or updating of a Community Wildfire Protection Plan, and
- $10 million for a project described within a Community Wildfire Protection Plan less than 10 years old.

## Matching and Cost Share

The program has differing levels of non-federal match dependent upon the proposal for which is being applied. For proposals to develop or update a CWPP, the required match is 10%. For proposals to plan and/or implement projects described within a CWPP, the required match is 25%. Matching funds must be derived entirely from non-Federal sources.

Communities meeting the definition of underserved, Indian Tribes, ANCs, and Pacific Islands may request a waiver of match**.**

## Contact Information

USFS Cooperative Fire Branch
sm.fs.usfs_cwdg@usda.gov

https://www.fs.usda.gov/managing-land/fire/grants

FEDERAL
GRANT PROFILE

**Department:** U.S. Department of Agriculture
**Agency:** Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS)

# FY 2025 Emergency Watershed Protection (EWP) Program

## Grant Overview

The purpose of this program is to provide financial and technical assistance to help local communities relieve imminent threats to life and property caused by floods, fires, windstorms, and other natural occurrences that impair a watershed. Eligible sponsors are entities with a legal interest in, or responsibility for, the areas threatened by a watershed emergency, including states, state agencies, or legal subdivisions of a state government; local units of government including cities, counties, towns, and conservation districts; and Native American tribes or tribal organizations.

## Program History

| | Total Funding | # of Awards |
|---|---|---|
| 2023 | $925 million | 28 |

## Key Information and Tips

**Total Funding:** Unspecified
**Match:** Varies
**Proposal due:** Rolling

- A disaster declaration by federal or state government officials is not required for program assistance to begin.

https://www.nrcs.usda.gov/programs-initiatives/ewp-emergency-watershed-protection

## Awardee Profile

San Bernardino County Department of Public Works, CA

AMOUNT: Unspecified
YEAR: 2023

Intense rainfall occurred at 1-2 inches per hour over the area scarred by the El Dorado Fire in 2020. The rainfall resulted in high energy flows causing significant damage to homes, businesses and infrastructure. NRCS and the San Bernardino County Department of Public Works proposed measures that will contain anticipated flows within the channels to protect life and property using debris and flow barriers.

**Department:** U.S. Department of Agriculture
**Agency:** Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS)

# FY 2025 Emergency Watershed Protection (EWP) Program

## Detailed Summary

The purpose of this program is to provide financial and technical assistance to help local communities relieve imminent threats to life and property caused by floods, fires, windstorms, and other natural occurrences that impair a watershed. Funding will support economically and environmentally defensible projects that will provide protection from flooding or soil erosion, reduce threats to life and property, and restore the hydraulic capacity to the natural environment.

Eligible activities may include:

- Removing debris from stream channels, road culverts, and bridges
- Reshaping and protecting eroded streambanks
- Correcting damaged or destroyed drainage facilities
- Establishing vegetative cover on critically eroding lands
- Repairing levees and structures
- Repairing certain conservation practices
- Purchasing EWP buyouts

EWP Recovery Buyouts are used where structural projects to reduce threats from flooding and erosion are not cost-effective and/or beneficial. Once NRCS determines that buying a flood prone property (for example) would provide the pivotal solution and sustainable course of action for a community, EWP has the authority to provide local sponsors with financial assistance to purchase and preserve the land for the purpose of restoring the natural environment.

NRCS may provide project sponsors up to 75 percent (and up to 90 percent for limited resource areas) of:

- the fair market value based on an appraisal for the property,
- eligible acquisition and relocation costs, and
- site restoration costs.

A disaster declaration by federal or state government officials is not required for program assistance to begin. The NRCS state conservationist may declare a local watershed emergency and initiate program assistance in cooperation with an eligible sponsor.

## Applicant Eligibility

Eligible sponsors are entities with a legal interest in, or responsibility for, the areas threatened by a watershed emergency, including states, state agencies, or legal subdivisions of a state government; local units of government including cities, counties, towns, and conservation districts; and Native American tribes or tribal organizations.

Sponsors may be located in the 50 U.S. states, the District of Columbia, or the U.S. territories of American Samoa, Guam, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, and the U.S. Virgin Islands.

Sponsors must have a legal interest in or responsibility for the areas threatened by a watershed emergency, and must be able to:

- Obtain all necessary property rights, water rights, and permits
- Provide their share of the construction costs
- Cover any unreimbursed expenses
- Operate and maintain any completed recovery measures

In general, private landowners seeking assistance through this program must work through an eligible sponsor.

## Funding

In FY 2025, an unspecified amount of funding is available to support awards through this program. Once financial assistance is approved and allocated for a project, the funding agency also provides technical assistance to complete the planning, design, and construction oversight of the recovery measures.

Funds will be provided on a reimbursement basis.

The design and construction of recovery measures must be completed within 220 days, or 10 days for exigent situations where the threat is immediate.

## Matching and Cost Sharing

In general, sponsors must provide at least 25 percent of the construction costs via nonfederal cash and/or in-kind contributions. For sponsors located in communities designated as limited resource areas, the matching requirement will be reduced to 10 percent of the construction costs.

## Contact Information

Questions should be directed to the appropriate local NRCS service center listed online at offices.sc.egov.usda.gov/locator, the appropriate state program manager listed online at www.nrcs.usda.gov/programs-initiatives, or the appropriate NRCS state office listed online at www.nrcs.usda.gov/conservation-basics.

https://www.nrcs.usda.gov/programs-initiatives/ewp-emergency-watershed-protection

FEDERAL
GRANT PROFILE




**Department:** U.S. Department of Agriculture
**Agency:** U.S. Forest Service (USFS)

# FY 2025 State Fire Capacity Wildfire Hazard Mitigation Grant Program – Southern Region

## Grant Overview

The purpose of this program is to restore and maintain landscapes from fire-related disturbances and create fire adapted communities (FACs) where human populations and infrastructure can withstand a wildfire without loss of life or property. Additionally, these programs priorities reflect the national USFS priorities of improving the condition of forests, and grasslands, promoting shared stewardship by increasing partnerships and volunteerism, and by being good neighbors and providing excellent customer service. Eligible applicants are state forestry agencies, groups of states, tribes, nonprofit organizations, academic institutions, local governments representing communities located within a designated wildland urban interface area, non-profit organizations such as local conservation districts that assist communities, private landowners and associations, and prescribed fire training academies.

## Program History

A program history is unavailable.

## Key Information

**Total Funding:** Unspecified
**Award Range:** $25,000 - $300,000
**Match:** one-to-one
**Solicitation date:** November 18, 2024
**Proposal due:** December 13, 2024 (mandatory draft for external applications); January 22, 2025 (full application)

https://grants.gov/search-results-detail/356926

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## Tips

- State forestry agencies will review and prioritize the draft applications and may provide a letter of support to no more than two external applicants by January 8, 2025.
- Applicants other than the State Forestry Agency (excluding tribes) must have a letter of support from the appropriate State Forester

**Department:** U.S. Department of Agriculture
**Agency:** U.S. Forest Service (USFS)

# FY 2025 State Fire Capacity Wildfire Hazard Mitigation Grant Program – Southern Region

## Detailed Summary

The purpose of this program is to restore and maintain landscapes from fire-related disturbances and create fire adapted communities (FACs) where human populations and infrastructure can withstand a wildfire without loss of life or property. These programs priorities reflect the national USFS priorities of improving the condition of forests, and grasslands, promoting shared stewardship by increasing partnerships and volunteerism, and by being good neighbors and providing excellent customer service.

State Fire Capacity Wildfire Hazard Mitigation application activities should clearly focus on identifying and creating fire adapted communities by:

- Reducing hazardous fuels in the Wildland Urban Interface (WUI)
- Developing, and implementing Community Wildfire Protection Plans (CWPPs)
- Providing prevention and mitigation education, and/or
- By achieving Fire Adapted Community and Firewise programming and other community hazard mitigation activities.

An emphasis should be placed on funding areas that have developed or that are developing CWPPs, Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) hazard mitigation plans, or other collaboratively developed hazard mitigation plans.

Successful applications will clearly identify the reduction of wildfire risk and will align with the respective state's forest action plan. Current plans can be found online at www.stateforesters.org/forest-action-plans.

Eligible activities include but are not limited to:

- Defensible space around communities, homes, and structures
- Development, creation, and/or maintenance of fuel breaks and fire breaks, including shaded fuel breaks
- Fuels reduction beyond defensible space adjacent to WUI areas
- Removal of slash including piling and burning; mulching; grinding; etc.
- State or federally recognized training programs that support the use of prescribed fire or Fire Adapted Communities (FAC)
- Mechanical fuel reduction
- Vegetation management (pruning, mowing, chemical treatment, grazing)
- Thinning
- Use of small diameter wood from wildfire risk reduction activities
- Maintenance of non-federally funded fuels projects

- Monitoring components for projects effectiveness; must have established baseline presented in application process
- Firewise or similar programs outreach to WUI communities and homeowners
- Fire education presentation from Project Learning Tree
- Property inspections and/or assessments
- Exercises/drills that support local FAC
- Technical assistance as it relates to mitigation and hazardous fuels reduction activities
- Wildfire Hazard Mitigation Program Management
- Pamphlets, brochures, handouts, PSAs, and DVDs
- Information and Education, Awareness, Firewise, Ready Set Go, and Fire Prevention Programs
- Installation of dry hydrants that support a FAC
- Fire management planning for fire adapted landscapes in FAC
- Creation/ development and implementation of Community Wildfire Protection Plans (CWPP)
- Updating of CWPP/ hazard mitigation plans or equivalent document

## Applicant Eligibility

Eligible applicants are state forestry agencies, groups of states, tribes, nonprofit organizations, academic institutions, local governments representing communities located within a designated wildland urban interface (WUI) area, non-profit organizations such as local conservation districts that assist communities, private landowners and associations, and Rx fire training academies.

Each State can have a maximum of two internal and two external applications. Internal applicants are classified as state forestry agencies, external applicants are defined as state agencies, county/local governments, or other non-governmental organizations. For profit entities are not eligible.

Multistate applications must identify a lead agency and the amount of funds to be allocated against each state's 15 percent cap.

Applicants must be located in the funding agency's southern region, which includes Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, North Carolina, Oklahoma, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, and Virginia.

## Funding

In FY 2025, an estimated total of $5.5 million is planned to be made available to support awards ranging from $25,000 to $300,000 through this program. Funding for this State Fire Capacity (SFC) Wildfire Hazard Mitigation grant is not guaranteed. Funding amount will be determined once Congress allocates a budget to USDA Forest Service.

The maximum amount of grant funding awarded to any one state for this grant cannot exceed 15 percent of the total funding available for the RFA. The funding amount for FY 2025 is unknown and not guaranteed. Using the FY 2024 funding allocation, the 15 percent cap for FY2024 was $839,287.00. Grants to Tribes will not affect the 15 percent state cap.

The award term is five years. There will not be any extensions authorized past the five-year term.

## Matching and Cost Sharing

Applicants must provide, at a minimum, a one-to-one match (50 percent) of the requested award amount via cash or in-kind contributions. In-kind contributions may include training hours, volunteer hours, and donated labor/equipment. An actual cash match cannot include federal funds.

If combined applications from the same state exceed the 15% cap, the lowest ranked application from that state will be given the opportunity to receive partial grant funding up to the 15% cap if the receiving entity can fund the full project using additional match funds. If they are unable to increase match funds to fund the full project with a reduced grant amount, the same offer will be extended to the next ranked application.

## Contact Information

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https://grants.gov/search-results-detail/356926

FEDERAL
GRANT PROFILE

**Department:** U.S. Department of Commerce
**Agency:** Economic Development Administration

# FY 2025 Disaster Supplemental Program

## Grant Overview

This program will help communities and regions devise and implement long-term economic recovery strategies through a variety of non-construction and construction projects to address economic challenges in areas where a Presidential declaration of a major disaster occurring in calendar years 2023 and 2024 was issued. Eligible applicants are district organizations of EDA-designated economic development districts (EDDs); Indian tribes or consortia of tribes; states, counties, cities, or other political subdivisions of a state; institutions of higher education or consortia of institutions of higher education; and public or private nonprofit organizations or associations.

## Program History

| | Total Funding | # of Awards |
|---|---|---|
| 2018 | $1,94,050,554 | 90 |

## Key Information

**Total Funding:** $1,447,000
**Award Range:** Up to $50,000,000
**Match:** 20 percent
**Solicitation date:** June 4, 2025
**Proposal due:** Depends on project type:

- Readiness and Implementation – Rolling
- Industry Transformation – March 3, 2026

https://www.eda.gov/strategic-initiatives/disaster-recovery/supplemental

## Awardee Profile

Baton Rouge Health District,
Baton Rouge, LA

AMOUNT: $2,720,000
YEAR: 2023

Funding supports the establishment of the R.E.A.C.H Gateway Infrastructure and Resiliency Project which enhances the current healthcare district into a cohesive destination for quality healthcare that is resilient to future disasters, inclusive of all communities, and a district that remains an economic catalyst even during times of disaster.

**Department:** U.S. Department of Commerce
**Agency:** Economic Development Administration

# FY 2025 Disaster Supplemental Program

## Detailed Summary

The purpose of this program is to award investments in regions experiencing severe economic distress or other economic harm resulting from hurricanes, wildfires, tornadoes, floods, and other natural disasters occurring in calendar years 2023 and 2024. Funding under this program assists communities recovering from a disaster by realizing opportunities to recover and change the economic trajectory of the community for the better. Through this program, the funding agency seeks to help communities recover and set them on a path to exceed their previous pre-disaster baseline. The funding agency seeks projects that are responsive to community needs post-disaster by engaging all aspects of the community, with special focus on private industry partners. promote innovation and competitiveness and prepare U.S. regions for growth and success in the worldwide economy. Funding will support variety of non-construction and construction projects in areas where a Presidential declaration of a major disaster was issued under the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. § 5121 et seq.) (Stafford Act).

This program offers funding through three pathways:

- Readiness Path – Standalone non-construction projects designed to increase a community's readiness to apply for or implement disaster recovery funding from private and public sources including, but not limited to, future EDA NOFOs and the Implementation or Industry Transformation Paths under this NOFO. Projects will fund strategy development, capacity building, and/or predevelopment costs necessary for future recovery projects.
- Implementation Path – Standalone construction or non-construction projects designed to address the economic challenges faced by a community recovering from a natural disaster and improve economic trajectories beyond pre-disaster economic conditions.
- Industry Transformation Path – Led by a coalition of regional stakeholders, a portfolio of large-scale, multicomponent construction and non-construction projects designed to fundamentally transform the economic trajectory of a region through the development or acceleration of an industry.

Applicants are encouraged to contact their local funding agency representative to explore their projects further.

## Applicant Eligibility

Eligible applicants are district organizations of economic development districts (EDDs) designated by the funding agency; Indian tribes or consortia of tribes; states, counties, cities, or other political subdivisions of a state, including a special purpose unit of a state or local government engaged in economic or infrastructure development activities, or a consortium of political subdivisions; institutions of higher education or consortia of institutions of higher education; public or private nonprofit organizations or associations acting in cooperation with officials of a political subdivision of a state; an economic development organization, or a public-private partnership for public infrastructure.

## Funding

In FY 2025, approximately $1,447,000,000 is available to support grants or cooperative agreements through this program.

Funding will be allocated as follows:

- Readiness Path: Non-construction awards that range between $250,000 to $500,000
- Implementation Path:
    - Nonconstruction awards that range between $100,000 and $5 million
    - Construction awards that range between $2 million and $20 million
    - The funding agency may deviate from these estimates, including funding projects greater than $20 million, in cases of exceptional need and/or exceptional impact
- Industry Transformation Path: A cluster of 3 to 5 non-construction and/or construction awards with a total funding level between $20 million and $50 million

Non-construction awards may range from 12 to 18 months with extensions considered on a case-by-case basis. For the Readiness Path, EDA anticipates that a shorter period of performance may be appropriate. Construction awards may range from 12 to 48 months with extensions considered on a case-by-case basis.

## Matching and Cost Sharing

The funding agency generally expects to fund up to 80% of the eligible costs under this program. However, the funding agency has discretion to fund projects at a rate lower than 80% or up to 100% in certain circumstances. In determining whether to increase the federal share above 80%, the funding agency's Grants Officers will consider on a case-by-case basis whether the circumstances of the proposed project warrant a federal share in excess of 80%, including whether the applicant has exhausted its effective taxing or borrowing capacity, can otherwise document that no local matching funds are reasonably obtainable, or meets other thresholds for elevated need based on the overall economic situation of the region. The funding agency may also establish a maximum investment rate of up to 100% for projects of Indian tribes.

## Contact Information

Questions should be directed to the appropriate regional office listed online here.

https://www.eda.gov/strategic-initiatives/disaster-recovery/supplemental

FEDERAL
GRANT PROFILE

**Department:** U.S. Department of Commerce
**Agency:** National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA)

# FY 2025 Transformational Habitat Restoration and Coastal Resilience Grants

## Grant Overview

The purpose of this program is to support transformational habitat restoration projects that restore marine, estuarine, coastal, or Great Lakes ecosystems, using approaches that enhance community and ecosystem resilience to climate hazards. Eligible applicants are institutions of higher education, non-profits, commercial (for profit) organizations, U.S. territories, and state, local, and tribal governments. Applicants must propose work in coastal, marine, or estuarine areas that benefit species or fisheries outlined within the program priorities.

## Program History

| | Total Funding | # of Awards |
|---|---|---|
| 2024 | $220 million | 32 |

## Key Information

**Total Funding:** $100 million
**Award Range:** $750,000 - $10 million
**Match:** Not required
**Solicitation date**: December 6, 2024
**Application due:** April 16, 2025

https://www.fisheries.noaa.gov/grant/transformational-habitat-restoration-and-coastal-resilience-grants

## Tips

- Projects that are most responsive to the program priorities and are more transformative (i.e., have higher positive impact) will be more competitive.
- Proposals that include on-the-ground implementation will be given priority compared to those that include only pre-implementation activities.

**Department:** U.S. Department of Commerce
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## Detailed Summary

The purpose of this program is to support transformational habitat restoration projects that restore marine, estuarine, coastal, or Great Lakes ecosystems, using approaches that enhance community and ecosystem resilience to climate hazards. Funding will prioritize habitat restoration actions that: demonstrate significant impacts; rebuild productive and sustainable fisheries; contribute to the recovery and conservation of threatened and endangered species; promote resilient ecosystems, especially in tribal or underserved communities; and improve economic vitality, including local employment.

The program will invest in transformational projects that have the greatest potential to provide holistic benefits, through habitat-based approaches that strengthen both ecosystem and community resilience. Examples of habitat restoration projects that are transformational at a regional or national scale include, but are not limited to: projects that provide significant benefits for ecosystems and community resilience; projects that catalyze broad initiatives or partnerships; large-scale projects; innovative projects, which may include new techniques for restoration; and projects that connect to or build upon other restoration or resilience work in a watershed. Projects that are most responsive to the program priorities and are more transformative will be more competitive, by providing important and lasting changes that make a difference for coastal communities and ecosystems.

Prioirty will be given to projects that meet the following areas:

Sustaining Productive Fisheries and Strengthening Ecosystem Resilience: Projects should describe how the proposed habitat restoration actions align with relevant plans to recover and/or manage the target species or fisheries. Proposals should also address how restoration will strengthen resilience within the target habitat and the surrounding ecosystem. Potential benefits for fisheries habitat will be evaluated based on how the proposed restoration actions will:

- Contribute to the recovery of threatened and endangered species listed under the Endangered Species Act (ESA) that are under NOAA jurisdiction (hereafter, Listed Species)
- Sustain or help rebuild fish stocks managed under the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act (hereafter, Managed Species), which includes benefits to Essential Fish Habitat (EFH) for recreationally and commercially important species and their prey
- Enhance the sustainability of saltwater recreational fisheries by the restoration of habitat that supports the National Saltwater Recreational Fisheries Policy and Implementation Plans
- Improve habitat to support native fish species of the Great Lakes

Enhancing Community Resilience to Climate Hazards and Providing Other Co-benefits: Projects should benefit human populations within or near the project site.

Fostering Regionally Important Habitat Restoration, including sites and species prioritized by tribal communities: Projects should prioritize restoration actions that demonstrate high priority and transformative potential within a defined geographic region. Applicants should refer to watershed plans, resiliency plans, or other fishery-related strategic planning, conservation, or management documents, as appropriate, to support the proposed work. Comprehensive planning documents may range in scale and scope from the level of a local watershed plan to a state- or basin-wide plan.

Proposals that include on-the-ground implementation will be given priority compared to those that include only pre-implementation activities. Proposals that include multiple sites should demonstrate how projects collectively contribute to the priorities within the same geographic area or watershed, and applicants should demonstrate the capacity to manage concurrent habitat restoration projects over multiple years.

## Applicant Eligibility

Eligible applicants are institutions of higher education, non-profits, commercial (for profit) organizations, U.S. territories, and state, local, and tribal governments. Applications from federal agencies or employees of federal agencies will not be considered. Federal agencies and employees are not allowed to receive funds under this solicitation but may serve as collaborative project partners. Foreign entities can participate as partners (contractors, sub-recipients, or informal collaborators) of a prime recipient based in the U.S.

Applicants must propose work in coastal, marine, or estuarine areas that benefit species or fisheries outlined within the program priorities. Eligible applicants for Great Lakes projects must propose work within one of the eight U.S. Great Lakes states (New York, Pennsylvania, Ohio, Michigan, Indiana, Illinois, Wisconsin, and Minnesota). Applications that propose projects in the Commonwealth and Territories of the United States, for this solicitation defined as American Samoa, Guam, Northern Mariana Islands, U.S. Virgin Islands, and Puerto Rico, are also eligible.

## Funding

In FY 2025, approximately $100 million is expected to be available to support an unspecified number of awards ranging from $750,000 to $10 million over the entire award period. Typical federal funding for awards will range from approximately $4 million to $6 million. Up to 15 percent of funding will be allocated to Indian Tribes and native American organizations.

The period of performance is two to three years. The earliest anticipated start date for awards will be January 1, 2026. Both federal and non-federal match pre-award costs, incurred up to 90 days prior to the award start date, may be requested and will be considered during pre-award negotiations between the applicant and funding agency.

## Matching and Cost Sharing

Matching funds are not required for this program however, cost sharing is an element considered within the evaluation criterion.

## Contact Information

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FEDERAL
GRANT PROFILE

**Department:** U.S. Department of Energy
**Agency:** Grid Deployment Office

# FY 2024 BIL– Grid Resilience and Innovation Partnerships (GRIP): Grid Resilience (Section 40101(c))

## Grant Overview

The Grid Resilience and Innovation Partnership Program (GRIP) is a combination of three individual Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act programs combined under one application. The three programs that encompass GRIP are the competitive Grid Resilience Grants (40101c), the Smart Grid Grants (40107), and Grid Innovation Program (40103b). This overview focuses on the Grid Resilience Grants, also known as Preventing Outages and Enhancing the Resilience of the Electric Grid/Hazard Hardening Program.

## Program History

| | Total Funding | # of Awards |
|---|---|---|
| 2022/2023 | $919,420,073 | 16 |

## Key Information

**Total Funding:** $918 million
**Award Range:** Either the total of the applicant's last three years of resilience investments or $100 million, whichever is lower
**Match:** 50%
**Match for Small Utility:** Varies
**Solicitation date**: November 13, 2023
**Proposal due**: January 12, 2023 (Concept Paper), April 17, 2024 (Full Application)

## Awardee Profile

Southern Maryland Electric Cooperative, MD

AMOUNT: $33,567,016
YEAR: 2022

The SMECO Transmission, Distribution, and Communications Resiliency Initiative will implement multiple projects to harden and protect the system. These projects include replacing and hardening transmission lines with new steel structures, strategic undergrounding, and installing high-capacity fiber optical wire for communications.

**Department:** U.S. Department of Energy
**Agency:** Grid Deployment Office

# FY 2024 BIL– Grid Resilience and Innovation Partnerships (GRIP): Grid Resilience (Section 40101(c))

## Detailed Summary

This program supports activities that reduce the likelihood and consequence of impacts to the electric grid due to extreme weather, wildfire, and natural disaster and requires prioritization of projects that will generate the greatest community benefit (whether rural or urban) in reducing the likelihood and consequences of disruptive events.

FY24 GRIP Strategic Goals: DOE has identified three strategic goals for FY24 GRIP, including:

- Goal #1: Transform the U.S. electric grid at the transmission and distribution levels by increasing resilience in the face of extreme disruptions, enabling data-rich and flexible grid performance, and spurring innovation at all stages of project ideation and execution. Priorities for all Topic Areas include:
    - Increase regional and interregional electricity transfer capacity;
    - Increase system resilience in the face of climate change-induced natural disasters;
    - Address the most consequential system challenges that contribute to the increasing interconnection queue time for clean energy;
    - Enable data-rich and flexible grid performance v. spur innovation at all stages of project ideation and execution; and
    - Facilitate clean energy deployment, generation mix diversity, and other system benefits
- Goal #2: Prioritize energy justice as an essential component of infrastructure development by dramatically altering the relationship between energy providers and their communities. The projects funded under this program will demonstrate clear additionality and innovation in community and labor engagement, and a departure from a “business-as-usual” approach.
- Goal #3: Catalyze and leverage private sector and non-federal public capital for impactful technology and infrastructure deployment and foster an environment for sharing of best-practices and replication throughout the industry.
- Project results should enable asset owners and operators to effectively articulate within local, state, regional and federal decision-making frameworks the economic, technical, and societal benefits of deploying new innovative technologies that improve system reliability and resilience.

Priority Areas of Investment: DOE has identified Projects and Technologies that are considered a high priority for FY24 GRIP:

- Projects that cover multiple utility service territories that will evolve and share utility best practices that increase resilience against extreme weather and adapt to the changing energy and technology landscapes.
- Projects that address substation hardening, including the automation and digitization of substations, and/or coordination with upgrades that enable distributed energy resource integration and electrification readiness.
- Projects that propose to construct new transmission infrastructure to resolve a specific and identified contingency condition that the applicant has been unable to resolve using standard investment and planning approaches.
- Projects that significantly increase the transmission capacity of existing rights-of-way using advanced conductors, grid-enhancing technologies, or high-voltage direct current in coordination with investments that enable integration and full utilization of high-capacity corridors.
- Projects that will deploy solutions to increasing the processing of interconnection applications and minimize the queue-related delays for clean energy and electrification loads at both the transmission and distribution levels.
- Projects that in combination with priority investments will foster growth of a highly skilled power sector workforce and minimize workforce constraints associated with power sector innovation.
- Projects that have a significant impact on the transmission system, including projects that leverage advanced transmission technologies and can reduce or remove the existing technical, economic, and regulatory barriers, demonstrate enhanced operational flexibility or capacity, and that enhance reliability to accelerate wide scale transmission expansion and renewable energy interconnection.
- Projects that implement novel and replicable approaches to reducing energy burden and increasing resilience for disadvantaged communities, especially projects that increase access to cheaper generation resources and reduce the impact of infrastructure costs.
- Applications that include technologies, approaches, or other innovative techniques that are not specifically addressed above but have the potential to meet the goals and objectives of this topic area by demonstrating innovative approaches or enhancing regional resilience are eligible for consideration.

Topic Area 1: Grid Resilience (40101c) Objectives: Topic Area 1 is aimed to fund projects that will progress the field in the following areas:

- Projects that address comprehensive transformational transmission and distribution technology solutions that will mitigate one or multiple *specific* hazards across a region or within a community, including but not limited to wildfires, floods, high wind events including tornadoes and hurricanes, and extreme temperatures (extreme heat or extreme cold). Applications should demonstrate how risks associated with a *specific* hazard were identified and how proposed investments are targeted to mitigate those particular risks. Applications should also discuss any specific resilience needs and/or disproportionate impacts associated with severe or prolonged outages that are relevant to the region or community directly impacted by the proposed scope.
- Projects that enable a system operator to develop expertise in and demonstrate the benefits of modern approaches that go beyond a grid operator's business-as-usual framework to providing improved system resilience. Proposals should describe the extent to which the proposed approach is industry-leading and how the applicant would leverage project success to de-risk the proposed approach for broader implementation.

- Projects that are structured to encourage consistency of approach and dissemination of learnings by including participation of multiple eligible entities.
- Projects that aggregate resilience efforts across multiple service territories.

DOE encourages applicants to consider resilience in all aspects of the proposed project scope, including elements such as material selection (e.g., for replacement poles), concurrent vegetation management, and undergrounding, even if these elements are not the main focus of the proposed project. All projects proposed under this program should demonstrate that they will provide significant economic and justice benefits to communities, that they can leverage capital investment, and that they lead to repeatable solutions for other entities.

Priority Interests and Investments: Applicants will demonstrate a transformational, comprehensive approach to mitigating one or more *specific* hazards across a region or within a community. Concurrently, DOE encourages applicants to align proposed grid resilience and grid hardening investments with broader State, Tribal, or regional resilience or energy security plans. DOE is particularly interested in applications that modernize system infrastructure and improve resilience outcomes with current service territory resilience and reliability metrics as a baseline, including clear qualitative explanations of resilience challenges facing a specific set of assets. Applications in this area could include:

- Projects that demonstrate a clear strategic approach, supported with innovative uses of technology to assist in risk identification, project planning, and operation (e.g., improved forecasting, work order management, and crew deployment approaches).
- Substation hardening projects with automation and digitization scope, as well as substation hardening projects that are coordinated with upgrades to enable distributed energy resource (DER) integration and/or electrification-readiness.
- Improvement of system adaptivity specifically for resilience purposes, such as through deployment of Fault Location, Isolation, and Service Restoration (FLISR) and/or use of & smart reclosers and similar technologies.
- Projects that minimize or mitigate system conditions that exacerbate the risk of specific hazards (such as, but not limited to, wildfire occurrence) and may lead to wildfires or other system disturbances. This includes but is not limited to:
    - Monitoring and control technologies, advance modeling software, and adaptive protection devices.
    - Projects that include reconductoring and incorporating upgrades to the electric system as an ancillary requirement for hardening projects that prove overall resiliency benefits.
- Projects that cover multiple utility service territories and will evolve and share utility best practices in areas such as vegetation management, pole, and equipment replacement for storm hardening, and undergrounding. This includes projects to establish new best practices that are resilient to increasing extreme weather as well as the changing energy and related technology landscapes.
- Advanced reconductoring approaches that expand transmission and distribution capacity along existing infrastructure and rights of way using materials, equipment, and operational approaches that advance beyond current typical industry practices. This includes conductors that increase capacity/ampacity 1.5x relative to the existing equipment and especially increase capacity or advanced conductors (modern composite and/or carbon cores).
- Approaches to construct new transmission (at or above 69 kV) infrastructure to resolve a specific, identified contingency condition, provided that applicants describe the nature of the condition and

the impact of that condition on system resilience (generally or to a specific subset of customers). Applicants should include a clear explanation for why it has been unable to resolve the condition thus far under standard planning and investment approaches. Projects that satisfy these conditions are eligible for a higher maximum federal award.

In addition, there are a broad range of activities, technologies, equipment, and hardening measures to reduce the likelihood and consequences of disruptive events that are eligible for funding as specified in the applicable statutory language.

The following activities are NOT eligible for funding under Topic Area 1:

- Construction of: (I) a new electric generating facility; (II) a new large-scale battery-storage facility that is not used for enhancing system adaptive capacity during disruptive events; or (III) cybersecurity.
- Additionally, new transmission lines at or above 69 kV will not be considered for funding, except in the case that applicant clearly demonstrates that the new transmission line either completes a radial loop or solves an N-1 contingency issue.

Topic Area 1 Requirements: Topic Area 1 Requirements include the following:

- *Small utility set-aside*: Thirty percent (30%) of the total funding available for Topic Area 1 will be set aside for small utilities, which are defined as entities that sell no more than 4,000,000 MWh of electricity per year. Entities applying for this set aside must demonstrate their eligibility by submitting their total retail electricity sales to ultimate customers as reported to the Energy Information Administration (EIA) on Form 861 for the last reporting year. In addition to submission of Form 861, applications to Topic Area 1 must include a Project Description and Assurances Document (PDAD) certifying the applicant is a Small Utility (sells no more than 4,000,000 MWh of electricity per year).
- *Report on Resilience Investments*: As part of its application, an applicant must submit a report detailing past, current, and future efforts by the eligible entity to reduce the likelihood and consequences of disruptive events. The report must summarize any program and related approved funding that the applicant's organization has implemented over the past 3 years to reduce the likelihood of events in which operations of the electric grid are disrupted, preventively shut off, or cannot operate safely due to extreme weather, wildfire, or a natural disaster. The report must also summarize current and future efforts planned over at least the next 3 years to reduce the likelihood and consequences of disruptive events. In addition to submission of the report, applications to Topic Area 1 must include a PDAD that confirms the total amount (USD) of qualifying resilience investments that have been spent for the previous 3 years and the time period utilized for calculation of the reported amount.
- *Funding supplemental to existing efforts:* Grants under this program are in general intended to be supplemental to existing hardening efforts of applicants for any given year. "Existing hardening efforts" includes projects that have been funded in whole or part by a subaward under the Grid Resilience Formula Funding for States and Indian Tribes (BIL 40101(d)20) program. The applicant should describe in the technical volume how the grant funding provided by this program would result in proposed activities that are additional to efforts that would have been undertaken but-for the funding and will generate the greatest community or regional resilience benefit in reducing the likelihood and consequences of disruptive events. This may include the acceleration or expansion of planned activities that would not be accelerated or expanded but-for the funding. The narrative

should reference the Report on Resilience Investments to demonstrate how the proposed activities would be additional to existing planned investments.

- Biennial Report to Congress: Every two years, DOE will submit a report to Congress covering data on the cost of projects, the types of activities funded, and the extent to which the ability of the power grid to withstand disruptive events has increased. Awardees will be required to track and report this data to DOE.

APPLICATION LIMITATIONS. — Applicants cannot submit an application for GRIP Topic Area 1 and Section 401019d) formula grants during the same application cycle. If the application is a subawardee for the formula funding application, then they must describe how the Topic 1 GRIP application is different in the PDAD of this application.

## Applicant Eligibility

Eligible applicants include electric grid operators; electricity generators; electricity storage operators; transmission owners or operators; distribution providers; and fuel suppliers. As appropriate, ensuring that the state, Tribe or territory is engaged in the approach is important. The expectation of the Department is that regulatory stakeholders will be engaged in this process to ensure cost recovery of the concepts are achieved.

## Funding

In FY 2024, approximately $918 million in funding is available to support an estimated 10-20 awards of up to $100 million or the total of the applicant's last three years of resilience investments, whichever is lower. Approximately 3 of the awards and 30 percent of funding will be reserved for small utilities that sell no more than 4,000,000 MWh of electricity per year. Entities seeking funding under the small utility set aside must demonstrate their eligibility by submitting their total retail electricity sales to ultimate customers as reported to the Energy Information Administration (EIA) on Form 861 for the last reporting year. In addition to submission of the Form 861, small utility applications must include a Project Description and Assurances Document.

The project period is 60 months.

## Matching and Cost Share

Topic Area 1 cost share requirement for this program is 50 percent of the total project's costs; however, small utilities are only required to provide a 1/3 match.

## Contact Information

DOE personnel are prohibited from communicating (in writing or otherwise) with applicants regarding the FOA except through the established question and answer process as described below. Specifically, questions regarding the FY24 GRIP FOA must be submitted to: FOA3195@netl.doe.gov. Questions must be submitted not later than 3 business days prior to the application due date and time. Please note, feedback on individual concepts will not be provided through Q&A.

All questions and answers related to this FOA will be posted on Exchange at: https://infrastructure-exchange.energy.gov/. You must first select this specific FOA Number to view the questions and answers specific to this FOA.

Grid Deployment Office (GDO) will attempt to respond to a question within 3 business days unless a similar question and answer has already been posted on the website.

Questions related to the registration process and use of the Exchange website should be submitted to: InfrastructureExchangeSupport@hq.doe.gov.

Preventing Outages and Enhancing the Resilience of the Electric Grid/Hazard Hardening Program.

FEDERAL
GRANT PROFILE

**Department:** U.S. Department of Homeland Security
**Agency:** Federal Emergency Management Agency

# FY 2024 Assistance to Firefighters Grant (AFG)

## Grant Overview

The Assistance to Firefighters Grant (AFG) program provides critically needed resources that equip and train emergency personnel to recognize standards, enhance operational efficiencies, foster interoperability, and support community resilience. Eligible applicants are fire departments, non-affiliated emergency medical services organizations, and state fire training academies.

## Program History

| | Total Funding | # of Awards |
|---|---|---|
| 2023 | $402 million | 2,128 |
| 2022 | $333.8 million | 1,922 |

## Key Information and Tips

**Total Funding:** $291.6 million
**Award Range:** Varies by population
**Match:** Varies by population
**Solicitation date**: November 12, 2024
**Proposal due:** December 20, 2024

- Construction costs are not eligible under the AFG program
- To be most competitive only select projects ranked High Priority
- Work with your FEMA Regional Fire Program Specialist

https://www.fema.gov/grants/preparedness/firefighters

## Awardee Profile

City of Miami, FL

AMOUNT: $1,152,909
YEAR: 2022

The city of Miami received an operations and safety grant through the Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program.

**Department:** U.S. Department of Homeland Security
**Agency:** Federal Emergency Management Agency

# FY 2024 Assistance to Firefighters Grant (AFG)

## Detailed Summary

The purpose of this program is to provide critically needed resources that equip and train emergency personnel to recognized standards, outfit responders with compliant personal protective equipment to increase responders' physical protection against hazards during incident response, provide funding to retrofit or modify facilities to protect personnel from known health hazards, acquire emergency response vehicles, design and implement health, wellness and resiliency programs that prepare responders for incident response, enhance operational efficiencies, foster interoperability, and support community resilience. Applicants may request funding under the following eligible activities:

Operations and safety:

- Training: Hands-on, instructor-led training that meets a national, state, or Department of Homeland Security adopted standard and results in a national or state certification provides the greatest training benefit. High training priorities include:
    - Training evaluated using national or state standards
    - Training that brings a department into compliance with recommended NFPA or other national standards
    - Instructor-led training that requires student testing to demonstrate academic competence or practical proficiency
    - Training that benefits the highest percentage of applicable personnel, such as the hazardous materials training within a fire department or training that will be open to other eligible organizations
- Equipment: Equipment for effective response, firefighting, rescue, and emergency medical operations to enhance public safety. High priority equipment requests include:
    - Obtain equipment needed but not currently owned or replace equipment that is broken and/or damaged beyond repair to achieve minimum operational and deployment standards for existing missions
    - Replace noncompliant equipment to current standards
- Personal protective equipment (PPE): Acquiring compliant PPE for firefighting and non-affiliated EMS personnel with the goal of increasing firefighter safety. High priority PPE priorities include:
    - Increase supply for new hires and/or existing firefighters that do not have one set of turnout gear (PPE) or allocated seated positions (SCBA). This includes replacing out of service PPE-Turnout Gear and SCBA.
    - Replace in-service or in-use damaged/ unsafe/unrepairable PPE/SCBA to meet current standard
    - Replace in-service or in-use damaged/ unsafe/unrepairable PPE/SCBA to meet current standard

- Wellness and fitness: Activities intended to strengthen emergency responders so that their mental, physical, and emotional capabilities are resilient enough to withstand the demands of all hazardous operations.
- Modifications to facilities: Modifying fire stations and other facilities.

Vehicle acquisition: Funding to purchase one or more vehicles, and funding for driver training as required. Vehicles purchased with AFG Program funds must be compliant with NFPA 1900 (Standard for Aircraft Rescue and Firefighting Vehicles, Wildland Fire Apparatus, and Automotive Fire) or equivalent (Standard for Automotive Ambulances).

Regional applications: An opportunity for a fire department or a nonaffiliated EMS organization to act as a host and apply for funding on behalf of itself and any number of other participating AFG Program eligible organizations.

## Applicant Eligibility

Eligible applicants are:

- Fire departments: An agency or organization having a formally recognized arrangement with a state, local, tribal or territorial authority (city, county, parish, fire district, township, town or other governing body) to provide fire suppression to a population within a geographically fixed primary first due response area.
- Non-affiliated emergency medical service (EMS) organizations: An agency or organization that is a public or private nonprofit emergency medical service entity providing medical transport that is not affiliated with a hospital and does not serve a geographic area in which emergency medical services are adequately provided by a fire department. FEMA considers the following as hospitals under the AFG Program: clinics; medical centers; medical college or university; infirmary; surgery centers; and any other institution, association, or foundation providing medical, surgical, or psychiatric care and/or treatment for the sick or injured.
- State fire training academies (SFTAs): Applicants must be designated either by legislation or by a governor's declaration as the sole fire service training agency within a state, territory, or the District of Columbia and recognized by the National Fire Academy. The designated SFTA shall be the only agency, bureau, division or entity within that state, territory, or the District of Columbia, to be an eligible SFTA applicant under the AFG Program.
- Non-federal airport and/or port authority fire or EMS organizations are eligible only if they have a formally recognized arrangement with the local jurisdiction to provide fire suppression or emergency medical services on a first-due basis outside the confines of the airport or port facilities. Airport or port authority fire and EMS organizations whose sole responsibility is suppression of fires or EMS response on the airport grounds or port facilities are not eligible for funding under the AFG Program.

In order to be eligible for funding fire departments, non-affiliated emergency medical service (EMS) organizations, and state fire training academies must be operating in any of the 50 states, as well as the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, the U.S. Virgin Islands, Guam, American Samoa, and the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico.

Although NFIRS reporting is not a requirement to apply for any AFG Program, fire departments that receive funding under this program must agree to provide information to the NFIRS for the period of performance covered by the assistance.

Applicants are not required to comply with NIMS to apply for AFG Program funding or to receive an AFG Program award. However, any applicant who receives an FY 2024 AFG Program award must achieve the level of NIMS compliance required by the Authority Having Jurisdiction (AHJ) over the applicant's emergency service operations prior to the end of the grant's period of performance.

## Funding

In FY 2024, $291.6 million is available to support approximately 2,000 awards through this program. The project period will span 24 months from the date of the award.

Maximum award amounts will vary according to the population of the jurisdiction served by the applicant, as follows:

- Applicants serving a jurisdiction of 100,000 residents or fewer: No more than $1 million.
- Applicants serving a jurisdiction of more than 100,000 residents, but not more than 500,000 residents: No more than $2 million.
- Applicants serving a jurisdiction of more than 500,000 residents, but not more than 1 million residents: No more than $2.916 million.
- Applicants serving a jurisdiction of more than 1 million residents, but not more than 2.5 million residents: Subject to the 1 percent aggregate cap of $2.916 million. If FEMA waives the aggregate cap, the amount of grant funds awarded to such a recipient shall not exceed $6 million for any fiscal year.
- Applicants serving a jurisdiction of more than 2.5 million residents: Subject to the 1 percent aggregate cap of $2.916 million. If FEMA waives the aggregate cap, the amount of grant funds awarded to such a recipient shall not exceed $9 million for any fiscal year.

The total funding available will be allocated according to applicant type, as follows:

- Fire Departments: Not less than 25 percent of available grant funds shall be awarded to career, combination, or volunteer department types (total of 75 percent).
- Nonaffiliated EMS Organizations: Not more than 2 percent of available grant funds shall be collectively awarded to all nonaffiliated EMS organization recipients.
- Emergency Medical Services Providers: Not less than 3.5 percent of available grant funds shall fund emergency medical services provided by fire departments and nonaffiliated EMS organizations.
- State Fire Training Academy: Not more than 3 percent of available grant funds shall be collectively awarded to all SFTA recipients. Further, no more than $500,000 of available federal grant funds may be awarded per SFTA applicant.
- Vehicles: Not more than 25 percent of available grant funds may be used by recipients for the purchase of vehicles. Of that amount, based on stakeholder recommendations, FEMA intends to allocate 10% of the total vehicle funds for ambulances.
- Micro Grants: The selection of the voluntary Micro Grant option (cumulative federal funding of **$75,000**) for eligible High Priority Operations and Safety activities does not impact an applicant's request or participation under the Vehicle Acquisition or Regional projects. Applicants who select Micro Grants under Operations and Safety as a funding opportunity choice may still apply for a Vehicle Acquisition or Regional project. Of the 25 percent allocated to each of the career, combination, and volunteer departments, FEMA will aim to fund no less than 25 percent of the allocation for Micro Grants.

## Matching and Cost Sharing

In general, eligible applicants shall agree to make available non-federal funds to carry out an AFG Program award in an amount equal to not less than 15 percent of the federal funds awarded. Exceptions to this general requirement apply to entities serving smaller communities as follows:

- Applicants serving a jurisdiction of 20,000 residents or fewer: Applicants shall agree to make available non-federal funds in an amount equal to not less than 5 percent of the grant awarded.
- Applicants serving a jurisdiction of more than 20,000 residents, but not more than 1 million residents: Applicants shall agree to make available non-federal funds in an amount equal to not less than 10 percent of the grant awarded.
- Applicants serving a jurisdiction of more than 1 million residents: Applicants shall agree to make available non-federal funds in an amount equal to not less than 15 percent of the grant awarded.

The cost share for SFTAs will apply the requirements above based on the total population of the state. The cost share for a regional application will apply the requirements above based on the aggregate population of the primary first due response areas of the host and participating partner organizations. In cases of demonstrated financial hardship, the required cost share may be waived or reduced.

FEMA has developed a cost share calculator tool in order to assist applicants with determining their cost share.

## Contact Information

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https://www.fema.gov/grants/preparedness/firefighters

FEDERAL
GRANT PROFILE

**Department:** U.S. Department of Homeland Security
**Agency:** Federal Emergency Management Agency

# FY 2024 Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities (BRIC)

## Grant Overview

The Building Resilient Infrastructures and Communities (BRIC) program provides support to communities for hazard mitigation activities that promote climate adaptation and resilience with respect to the growing hazards associated with climate change. Program priorities for FY 2024 are to incentivize natural hazard risk reduction activities that mitigate risk to public infrastructure and disadvantaged communities, incorporate nature-based solutions, and increase funding to applicants that facilitate the adoption and enforcement of the latest published editions of building codes. Eligible applicants are states, territories, and tribal governments. **Local governments may apply as a sub-applicant through their state specific process.**

## Program History

| | Total Funding | # of Awards |
|---|---|---|
| 2023 | $882.6 million | 93 |

## Key Information

**Total Funding:** $750 million
**Award Range:** Varies
**Match:** Varies
**Solicitation date**: January 6, 2025
**Proposal due:** April 18, 2025

https://www.fema.gov/grants/mitigation/building-resilient-infrastructure-communities

## Awardee Profile

City of Buckeye, AZ

AMOUNT: $4.57 million
YEAR: 2023

This project will connect the drainage system to existing irrigation canals. It also plans to build a floodwater retention basin on a vacant lot. The project will also reduce and eliminate flooding problems; protect structures and streets from floodwater; enhance desert habitat; improve groundwater; restore riparian areas; and provide multi-use benefits during dry seasons.

**Department:** U.S. Department of Homeland Security
**Agency:** Federal Emergency Management Agency

# FY 2024 Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities (BRIC)

## Detailed Summary

The purpose of this program is to provide support to communities for hazard mitigation activities that promote climate adaptation and resilience with respect to the growing hazards associated with climate change and of the need for natural hazard risk mitigation activities that promote climate adaptation and resilience with respect to those hazards. These include both acute extreme weather events and chronic stressors which have been observed and are expected to increase in intensity and frequency in the future. The guiding principles of the program include supporting communities through capability and capacity-building; encouraging and enabling innovation, including multi-hazard resilience or nature-based solutions; promoting partnerships; enabling large, systems-based projects; maintaining flexibility; and providing consistency. Through these efforts communities are able to better understand disaster risk and vulnerabilities, conduct community-driven resilience, hazard mitigation planning, and design transformational projects and programs.

The program aims to shift the focus of federal investments away from reactive, post-disaster spending and toward research-supported, proactive investments in community resilience. These investments aim to reduce future disaster losses, including loss of life and property as well as future spending from the Disaster Relief Fund (DRF). BRIC focuses on cost-effective mitigation measures including protecting public infrastructure so that critical services can withstand or more rapidly recover from future disasters, as well as other projects and activities to increase resilience throughout the nation. Through the program, the funding agency can engage state, local, tribal, and territorial partners in enhancing climate resilience and adaptation through systems-based, community-wide investments. The funding agency is including new provisions to implement the Community Disaster Resilience Zones Act, a new law which aims to direct public and private resilience investments in communities that are most vulnerable to natural hazards.

The program objectives are to:

- Increase climate literacy among the emergency management community, including awareness of natural hazard risks and knowledge of best practices for hazard mitigation and climate adaptation.
- Increase awareness of stakeholders and partners with capabilities to support hazard mitigation.
- Ensure more innovative risk-informed hazard mitigation projects are developed and completed, including multi-hazard resilience or nature-based solutions.
- Help communities identify and mitigate their risks to natural hazards and climate change.
- Direct increased resources to eliminate disparities in equitable outcomes across disadvantaged communities.

The program priorities are to:

- Incentivize natural hazard risk reduction activities that mitigate risk to public infrastructure and disadvantaged communities

- Incorporate nature-based solutions including those designed to reduce carbon emissions
- Increase funding to applicants that facilitate the adoption and enforcement of the latest published editions of building codes

The program encourages mitigation projects that meet multiple program priorities.

Financial assistance awards will be provided for the following activities:

- Capability and Capacity Building (C&CB) activities – activities that enhance the knowledge, skills, and expertise of the current workforce to expand or improve the administration of hazard mitigation assistance. This includes activities in the following sub-categories: building codes, partnerships, project scoping, hazard mitigation planning and planning-related activities, and other activities.
- Hazard Mitigation Projects – cost-effective hazard mitigation projects designed to increase resilience and public safety; reduce injuries and loss of life; and reduce damage and destruction to property, critical services, facilities, and infrastructure (including natural systems) from a multitude of natural hazards, including drought, wildfire, earthquakes, extreme heat, and the effects of climate change.
- Management Costs – financial assistance to reimburse the recipient and subrecipient for eligible and reasonable indirect costs, direct administrative costs, and other administrative expenses associated with a specific award or subaward.

Applicants may also request non-financial direct technical assistance via the BRIC Technical Assistance program which supports the development of climate resilience planning and project design in, and with, underserved and/or disadvantaged communities, and federally recognized tribal governments that are disproportionately affected by natural hazard risk and climate change.

FEMA will prioritize assistance for eligible entities that request technical assistance support for resilience or hazard mitigation activities within or that primarily benefit a Justice40 community, which includes Federally Recognized Tribes or Tribal entities, and/or census tracts identified as disadvantaged by the Climate and Economic Justice Screening Tool (CEJST); an Economically Disadvantaged Rural Community (defined in 42 U.S.C. § 5133(a) as a small impoverished community); or a Community Disaster Resilience Zone (as defined in 42 U.S.C. § 5136(a)(1)).

## Applicant Eligibility

Eligible applicants are states, territories, and tribal governments. Eligible applicants must have had a major disaster declaration under the Stafford Act in the seven years prior to the annual application period and have an approved state or tribal hazard mitigation plan in accordance with Title 44 of the Code of Federal Regulations Part 201 by the application deadline.

Communities, including local governments, cities, townships, counties, special district governments, and tribal governments, may choose to apply as sub-applicants and request financial assistance from their state, territory, or tribal applicant agency. Many states have fixed subapplication deadlines that precede the application deadline. Contact your State Hazard Mitigation Officer to learn about its sub-application process.

## Funding

In FY 2024, approximately $750 million in funding will be available to support awards. Of the total amount, funding will be allocated as follows:

- State/territory Allocation: a total of $112 million is available to support awards of up to $2 million.
- Tribal Set-aside: a total of $50 million is available to support awards of up to $2 million.
- State/territory Building Code Plus-Up: a total of $112 million is available to support awards of up to $50 million
- Tribal Building Code Plus-Up: a total of $25 million is available to support awards of up to $2 million.
- National Competition: a total of $451 million is available to support awards of up to $50 million.

The period of performance is 36 months starting at the date of federal award.

## Matching and Cost Sharing

Applicants must provide at least 25 percent of the project costs via nonfederal cash, donated or third-party in-kind services, materials, or any combination thereof; however, the match requirement is decreased to 10 percent of the project costs for economically disadvantaged rural community applicants and federally recognized Indian tribal government. Projects performed within, and/or that primarily benefit a designated Community Disaster Resilience Zone also have a decreased cost sharing requirement of 10 percent of the total project costs.

Award recipients may be reimbursed for management costs that include indirect costs, direct administrative costs, and other administrative expenses associated with a specific mitigation measure or project in an amount of up to 15 percent of the award, of which not more than 10 percent of the total award may be used by the recipient and 5 percent by the subrecipient for such costs.

## Contact Information

For general questions about the BRIC program can be directed to the appropriate State Hazard Mitigation Officer or FEMA Regional Office.

https://www.fema.gov/grants/mitigation/building-resilient-infrastructure-communities

FEDERAL
GRANT PROFILE

**Department:** U.S. Department of Homeland Security
**Agency:** Office of Federal Emergency Management (FEMA)

# FY 2024 Cooperating Technical Partners (CTP) Program

## Grant Overview

The purpose of this program is to strengthen and enhance the effectiveness of the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) by fostering strong federal, state, tribal, territorial, regional, and local partnerships to identify flood risks, reduce flood losses, and promote community resilience. Eligible applicants are city or township governments, county governments, federally recognized Native American tribal governments, 501(c)(3) nonprofit organizations, institutions of higher education, public housing authorities/Indian housing authorities, special district governments, territories, and state governments, including the District of Columbia.

## Program History

There is no program history available for this opportunity.

## Key Information

**Total Funding:** $66 million
**Award Range:** Unspecified
**Match:** Not required
**Solicitation date:** June 12, 2024
**Application due:** July 19, 2024

https://www.fema.gov/flood-maps/cooperating-technical-partners

## Tips

- Priority will be given to applicants that have a strong record of working effectively with FEMA on CTP program activities and demonstrate their ability to leverage funding received from FEMA through partner contributions.
- Priority will be given for selections that benefit disadvantaged communities as defined by the Climate and Economic Justice Screening Tool (CEJST).

**Department:** U.S. Department of Homeland Security
**Agency:** Office of Federal Emergency Management (FEMA)

# FY 2024 Cooperating Technical Partners (CTP) Program

## Detailed Summary

The purpose of this program is to strengthen and enhance the effectiveness of the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) by fostering strong federal, state, tribal, territorial, regional, and local partnerships to identify flood risks, reduce flood losses, and promote community resilience. The objectives of the CTP program are primarily to support the mission and objectives of the NFIP's Flood Hazard Mapping Program through FEMA's flood hazard identification and risk assessment programs, including the Risk MAP program. The vision for Risk MAP is to deliver quality data that increases public awareness of flood risk and leads to action that reduces flood risk to life and property. This program supports Risk MAP in developing flood hazard data and maps for communities that have never had identified risks, building on effective flood hazard data and flood insurance rate maps (FIRMS), and increasing public awareness of flood risk and potential mitigation options to reduce that risk and better inform planning. Overall objectives of this program include:

- Ensure extensive stakeholder engagement throughout the lifecycle of a project so that stakeholders have access to flood hazard data and risk information to validate and use for community resiliency. Stakeholders in CTP projects typically include community and tribal leaders; business and property owners; regional, tribal, and state partners; and local elected officials.
- Enhance communities' ability to make informed decisions on development using updated information by ensuring it is delivered to communities in a timely manner and on budget.
- Improve acceptance and use of flood hazard data and risk information, through delivery of high-quality products to communities.
- Increase understanding of flood hazard and risk elements, leading to quality partnerships between CTPs and their communities, and between FEMA and CTPs, by providing training and engagement throughout the project

The overarching Risk MAP goals include:

- Updated flood hazard data - addressing gaps in flood hazard data to form a solid foundation for risk assessment, floodplain management, and actuarial soundness of the NFIP
- Public awareness/outreach - ensuring that a measurable increase in the public's awareness and understanding of flood risk results in a measurable reduction of current and future vulnerability
- Hazard mitigation planning - leading and supporting states, localities, and tribes to effectively engage in risk-based mitigation planning resulting in sustainable actions that reduce or eliminate risks to life and property from natural hazards
- Enhanced digital platform - providing an enhanced digital platform that improves management of Risk MAP, stewardship of information produced by Risk MAP, and communication and sharing of risk data and related products to all levels of government and the public

- Alignment and synergies - aligning risk analysis programs and developing synergies to enhance decision-making capabilities through effective risk communication and management

The program also supports the following FY 2024 Risk MAP Program Priorities:

- Maintaining 80% new, validated, or updated engineering (NVUE) data - The NVUE metric is used to measure data quality by ensuring that flood hazard data are new, have been updated, or are deemed to be still valid through a continuous review and update process. NVUE metrics distinguish between engineering studies that adequately identify the level of flood risk (known as Valid) from those that need restudy (known as Unverified). The Risk MAP program is responsible for ensuring that 80% of the Nation's flood hazard data are current.
- Advancing Ongoing Risk MAP Projects - The initiation of work to maintain 80% NVUE is one part of the mapping process. However, as the entire process takes six to eight years to complete, we need to invest in advancing the current backlog of projects to deliver them to communities. CTPs support this effort to take projects previously funded up to a certain phase and focusing efforts this grant season on funding and completing the remainder of the work for those areas.
- Addressing Remaining Statute Requirements - The Risk MAP Program is still addressing statutory requirements from The Biggert-Waters Flood Insurance Reform Act of 2012 (BW-12). These requirements include, but are not limited to, mapping currently unmapped areas of possible population growth, mapping areas of residual risk (in areas protected by levees, dams, and other flood control structures), mapping inundation areas (resulting from failure of levees, dams, and other flood control structures), and mapping future conditions.
- Enhancing Risk MAP for disadvantaged communities by tailoring the type of product received and training and support provided. When those data are developed in a community identified as disadvantaged as determined in the White House's Climate and Economic Justice Screening tool (CEJST), the Risk MAP program will focus on more in-depth conversations with the community to ensure the product delivered is usable and identify where additional training or resources may be needed to allow the community to enhance resilience. This will help ensure equitable determination and delivery of products to communities in a tailored way based on their needs.

Awards will be made for the following categories of activities:

- Program management (PM) - projects that involve the active process of managing multiple projects
- Community outreach and mitigation strategies (COMS) - projects that focus on building risk awareness and understanding at the local level, increasing a community's ability to communicate flood risk to their citizens, supporting local efforts to reduce natural hazard risk within a community or watershed area, and keeping communities and stakeholders engaged throughout the Risk MAP process
- Letter of map revision (LOMR) review activities - projects restricted to existing bi-annually pre-approved project partners
- Special projects - projects that have national programmatic benefits
- Technical hazard identification, risk analysis, and mapping - projects that develop flood hazard and risk assessment data for a flood risk project and support Risk MAP program goals and measures by completing technical risk analysis and mapping activities

## Applicant Eligibility

Eligible applicants are city or township governments, county governments, federally recognized Native American tribal governments, 501(c)(3) nonprofit organizations, institutions of higher education, public housing authorities or Indian housing authorities, special district governments, territories, and state governments, including the District of Columbia. Eligible applicants fall into one of three groups:

- Communities participating in the National Flood Insurance Program, as defined under Title 44, Part 59 of the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), which typically includes state, tribal, special district, territorial, and local governments, that are in good standing with the NFIP
- State, local, and regional governmental agencies, such as water management districts, river authorities, municipal utility districts, and state universities, whose activities support floodplain management and flood mitigation actions within the NFIP communities they serve
- Nonprofit organizations that have a primary mission to support the ability of NFIP communities to more effectively understand and manage their flood risks

## Funding

In FY 2024, approximately $66 million is available to support an anticipated 120 awards through this program. The period of performance will vary between 24 months and 48 months depending on the project type. The period of performance start date is anticipated to be October 1, 2024.

## Matching and Cost Sharing

Matching funds are not required for this program; however, priority will be given to applicants that have a strong record of working effectively with the funding agency on CTP program activities and demonstrate their ability to leverage funding received from the funding agency through partner contributions. For the purposes of this program, partner contributions refer to the amount of leveraged data and resources. An applicant's experience and past project effectiveness serving disadvantaged communities may be considered a positive partner contribution supporting application selection.

For letter of map revision (LOMR) review projects, priority will be given to applicants that demonstrate significant past or potential future cost sharing and cost effectiveness.

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FEDERAL
GRANT PROFILE

**Department:** U.S. Department of Homeland Security
**Agency:** Office of Federal Emergency Management (FEMA)

# FY 2025 Emergency Management Performance Grant (EMPG) Program

## Grant Overview

This program assists state, local, tribal, and territorial emergency management agencies with implementing the National Preparedness System (NPS) and supporting the National Preparedness Goal of a secure and resilient nation. Eligible applicants are state administrative agencies (SAAs) and state emergency management agencies (EMAs) in all 56 U.S. states and territories. **Local governments may apply as a sub-applicant through their state specific process.**

## Program History

| | Total Funding | # of Awards |
|---|---|---|
| 2024 | $319.5 million | 57 |
| 2023 | $355.1 million | Unspecified |

## Key Information

**Total Funding:** $319.5 million
**Award Range:** $825,152 - $24,392,241
**Match:** 50 percent
**Solicitation date:** July 28, 2025
**Proposal due:** August 11, 2025

https://www.grants.gov/search-results-detail/360151

## Awardee Profile

State of California

AMOUNT: $24,465,792
YEAR: 2024

California received $24,465,792 in funding to assist state agencies and local governments in meeting the national preparedness goal of a secure and resilient nation.

**Department:** U.S. Department of Homeland Security
**Agency:** Office of Federal Emergency Management (FEMA)

# FY 2025 Emergency Management Performance Grant (EMPG) Program

## Detailed Summary

The purpose of this program is to assist state, local, tribal, and territorial emergency management agencies with implementing the National Preparedness System (NPS) and to support the National Preparedness Goal of a secure and resilient nation. Funds support the emergency management needs of state, local, tribal, and territorial governments, primarily through investments in planning, training, and exercise activities and help cover the salaries of emergency management personnel. EPMG funds will address the increasing range and complexity of disasters, support the wide variety of communities the funding agency serves, and complement the nation's growing expectations of the emergency management community by meeting the following objectives:

1. Building or sustaining those preparedness capabilities that are identified as high priority through the threat and hazard identification and risk assessment (THIRA)/stakeholder preparedness review (SPR) process and other relevant information sources.
2. Closing capability gaps that are identified in the state's or territory's most recent SPR.
3. Building continuity capabilities to ensure governmental essential functions and services resilience.

DHS/FEMA requires EMPG Program recipients to complete a THIRA/SPR. Additional information on the THIRA/SPR process, including other NPS tools and resources, can be found at National Preparedness System and the Preparedness Grants Manual.

Priorities and associated EPMG program-funded projects must be mutually agreed to by the award recipient and the regional administrator (RA). Identification of priorities and development of the work plan should involve a collaborative negotiation process through which a common set of priorities will emerge based on a combination of state/territory priorities, regional priorities, and national priorities. State/territory priorities should be primarily driven by the THIRA/SPR process. Regional priorities will be determined by the RAs based on their unique knowledge of the region's preparedness and emergency management needs and should also be based on an analysis of THIRA/SPR data and other information sources provided by the states/territories in their area(s) of responsibility. When developing state/territory priorities, applicants should consider the following national priorities:

- **Extreme weather resilience:** Associated core capabilities include community resilience, infrastructure systems, long-term vulnerability reduction, planning, risk and disaster resilience assessments, and threats and hazards identification.
- **Readiness:** Catastrophic disaster housing, disaster financial management, evacuation planning and annexing, logistics distribution management and planning, continuity of government, and resilient communications.

Allowable costs for EMPG made in support of the national priorities must fall into the categories of planning, organization, equipment, training, or exercises.

## Applicant Eligibility

Eligible applicants are State Administrative Agencies (SAA) or the state's Emergency Management Agency (EMA). Only one application will be accepted from each state or territory. All 56 states and territories are eligible to apply for FY 2025 EMPG Program funds. Subapplicants and subawards are allowed but cannot have foreign nationals or noncitizens included. If a sub applicant has foreign nationals, they must be properly vetted and must adhere to all government statutes, policies, and procedures including "staff American, stay in America" and security requirements. Communities, including local governments, cities, townships, counties, special district governments, and tribal governments, may choose to apply as sub-applicants and request financial assistance from their state, territory, or tribal applicant agency.

Award recipients must ensure and maintain adoption and implementation of the National Incident Management System (NIMS) and must work toward achieving Phase 3 National Qualification System implementation objectives. In addition, award recipients must belong to, be located in, or act as an Emergency Management Assistance Compact (EMAC) temporary member state, with the exception of American Samoa and the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.

## Funding

In FY 2025, approximately $319.5 million is available to support 56 awards through this program. Funding allocations vary by state/territory. Awards will be announced no later than August 23, 2025 and project periods will extend from October 1, 2024 to September 30, 2027. Extensions to the project period are allowed.

Management and administration (M&A) costs may not exceed 5 percent of the award for state or territory emergency management agencies. In addition, local emergency management agencies may retain and use up to 5 percent of awards received from the state for local M&A purposes.

## Matching and Cost Sharing

Applicants must provide at least 50 percent of the total project costs via nonfederal cash or in-kind contributions. Matching requirements are waived for the insular areas of the U.S. territories of American Samoa, Guam, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, and the U.S. Virgin Islands.

## Contact Information

FEMA has assigned region specific preparedness officers for the EMPG Program. Please see here for region-specific preparedness officer contact information or contact FEMA Grants News as follows:

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(800) 368-6498
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https://www.grants.gov/search-results-detail/360151

FEDERAL
GRANT PROFILE

**Department:** U.S. Department of Homeland Security
**Agency:** Office of Federal Emergency Management (FEMA)

# FY 2024 Emergency Operations Center (EOC) Grant Program

## Grant Overview

The purpose of this program is to improve emergency management and preparedness capabilities by supporting flexible, sustainable, secure, strategically located, and fully interoperable emergency operations centers with a focus on addressing identified deficiencies and needs. Eligible applicants are state administrative agencies (SAAs) applying on behalf of state and local units of government, and tribal governments with projects identified to receive funding through this program.

## Program History

| | Total Funding | # of Awards |
|---|---|---|
| 2023 | $89,140,285 | 69 |

## Key Information

**Total Funding:** $103,189,080
**Award Range:** Varies
**Match:** 25 percent
**Solicitation date:** April 25, 2024
**Proposal due:** June 7, 2024

https://www.fema.gov/grants/preparedness/emergency-operations-center

## Awardee Profile

City of New Orleans Emergency Operations Center, New Orleans Office of Emergency Preparedness, LA

AMOUNT: $4.757 million
YEAR: 2023

The City of New Orleans Emergency Operations Center, New Orleans Office of Emergency Preparedness received funding to improve emergency management and preparedness capabilities.

**Department:** U.S. Department of Homeland Security
**Agency:** Office of Federal Emergency Management (FEMA)

# FY 2024 Emergency Operations Center (EOC) Grant Program

## Detailed Summary

The purpose of this program is to improve emergency management and preparedness capabilities by supporting flexible, sustainable, secure, strategically located, and fully interoperable EOCs with a focus on addressing identified deficiencies and needs. For the purposes of this program, an EOC is defined as a facility or capability from which direction and control is exercised in an emergency. This type of center or capability is designated to ensure that the capacity exists for leadership to direct and control operations from a centralized facility or capability in the event of an emergency. Funding will support the equipping, upgrading, and/or construction of EOCs to provide fully capable facilities to support command, control, and coordination of multiagency responses to major disasters or emergencies.

Funding may be used for the following direct costs:

- Planning costs to support the EOC construction or upgrading activities; planning activities may include:
    - Developing plans, protocols, or procedures for the operation and use related to new capabilities as a result of the construction or upgrading activities
    - Conducting physical and cybersecurity assessments
    - Ensuring EOC continuity of operations
    - Analyzing constructed or renovated space to support the design and implementation of protection systems, such as fire protection and suppression, atmospheric filtration, and explosives mitigation
- Equipment integral to EOC construction and upgrading; allowable equipment includes equipment from the following Authorized Equipment List (AEL) categories:
    - Explosive device mitigation and remediation
    - Information technology
    - Cybersecurity enhancement equipment
    - Interoperable communications equipment
    - Power equipment
    - Chemical, biological, radiological, nuclear, and explosive (CBRNE) reference materials
    - Physical security enhancement equipment
    - CBRNE logistical support equipment
    - Other authorized equipment
- Construction, which for the purposes of this program refers to building a new facility or any changes to the footprint of an existing facility
- Upgrading, which for the purposes of this program refers to internal improvements to an existing facility

For EOC projects that involve construction or upgrading of multipurpose facilities, such as public safety facilities or police/fire stations, funding may only be used for those parts of the facility that are directly associated with the EOC. For new facility construction, funding should be limited to the proportionate facility construction cost, generally based on the square footage of the EOC compared to the square footage of the entire facility.

All proposed construction and upgrading activities must undergo an Environmental Planning and Historic Preservation (EHP) review, including approval of the review by the funding agency, prior to undertaking any action related to the project.

## Applicant Eligibility

Eligibility is limited to state administrative agencies (SAAs), applying on behalf of state and local units of government, and tribal governments with projects identified to receive funding through this program. Prior to receiving an award, applicants must ensure and maintain adoption and implementation of the National Incident Management System (NIMS).

## Funding

In FY 2024, a total of $103,189,080 is available to support awards through this program. Award amounts vary based upon eligible project. The project period is 36 months and is expected to begin no later than August 1, 2024, and end no later than July 31, 2027. Extension requests will be granted only due to compelling legal, policy, or operational challenges.

State administrative agencies (SAAs) must pass through 100 percent of funding to the subrecipients identified to receive funding through this program.

## Matching and Cost Sharing

Applicants must provide 25 percent of the total project costs via nonfederal contributions. Nonfederal contributions must consist of eligible costs and may be cash or third-party in-kind, with the exception of construction activities, which must be a cash match.

## Contact Information

FEMA regional office contact information is available at https://www.fema.gov/fema-regional-contacts.

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FEDERAL
GRANT PROFILE

**Department:** U.S. Department of Homeland Security
**Agency:** Federal Emergency Management Agency

# FY 2024 Flood Mitigation Assistance (FMA) Grant Program

## Grant Overview

The purpose of the FMA program is to reduce or eliminate the flood risk of repetitive flood damage to structures and buildings insured by the NFIP and to enhance community flood resilience within NFIP-participating communities. Eligible applicants are states, including the District of Columbia, U.S. territories, and federally recognized tribal governments.

## Program History

| | Total Funding | # of Awards |
|---|---|---|
| 2023 | $782.6 million | 220 |
| 2022 | $642.5 million | 149 |

## Key Information

**Total Funding:** $600 million
**Award Range:** Varies
**Match:** Varies
**Solicitation date**: January 6, 2025
**Proposal due:** April 18, 2025

https://www.fema.gov/grants/mitigation/learn/flood-mitigation-assistance

## Awardee Profile

Canton, Mississippi
AMOUNT: $2.2 million
YEAR: 2022

The city of Canton received pass-through funding for the Martin Luther King (MLK) South Flood Mitigation Project. As part of flood mitigation efforts, Canton completed a capital improvement project that included activities to improve detention/retention ponds and drainage channels. The city also rehabilitated and expanded riverbank buffers.

**Department:** U.S. Department of Homeland Security
**Agency:** Federal Emergency Management Agency

# FY 2024 Flood Mitigation Assistance (FMA) Grant Program

## Detailed Summary

The Flood Mitigation Assistance grant program makes federal funds available to reduce or eliminate the risk of repetitive flood damage to buildings and structures insured under the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) and within NFIP-participating communities. It does so by recognizing the growing flood hazards associated with climate change, and of the need for flood hazard risk mitigation activities that promote climate adaptation, equity, and resilience with respect to flooding. These include both acute extreme weather events and chronic stressors, which have been observed and are expected to increase in intensity and frequency in the future.

The Flood Mitigation Assistance grant program funds three types of activities and projects:

- Capability and Capacity Building Activities
- Localized Flood Risk Reduction Projects
- Individual Flood Mitigation Projects

This program encourages flood mitigation projects that will benefit multiple properties located in an NFIP-participating community. In addition, this program aims to incentivize flood mitigation activities and projects that will benefit disadvantaged communities.

The following key performance indicators provide strategic and relevant information to decision-makers and stakeholders about this program's progress and success toward achieving its goals and objectives, and are based on measurable data that are available or could be feasibly collected:

- Total number of NFIP-insured properties selected that are Flood Mitigation Assistance- and/or NFIP-defined Severe Repetitive Loss (SRL), Repetitive Loss (RL), and Substantially Damaged.
- Total federal cost share funding invested in or benefiting Justice40 communities identified using CEJST, as well as all federally recognized tribes or tribal entities.
- Total dollar amount of flood losses avoided in projects or communities funded by Flood Mitigation Assistance subapplications.

FEMA recognizes that many effective resilience solutions, such as nature-based solutions, yield critical benefits that may not be monetizable. As such, FEMA notes that these key performance indicators are not determinative of whether an application to the grant program is selected for funding.

## Applicant Eligibility

Eligible applicants are states, including the District of Columbia, U.S. territories, and federally recognized tribal governments.

All applicants must be participating in the NFIP and not be withdrawn, on probation, or suspended. Structures eligible for Individual Flood Mitigation Projects must have an NFIP policy (including a Group Flood Insurance Policy) in effect prior to the opening of the application period and the policy must be maintained throughout the life of the structure. The requirement of maintaining flood insurance will apply during the life of the property, regardless of transfer of ownership of such property. Additionally, applicants are required to have a FEMA-approved State or Tribal Hazard Mitigation Plan.

Communities who choose to apply as subapplicants, including local governments, cities, townships, counties, special district governments, and tribal governments may apply as subapplicants and must submit to their applicant agency. Certain political subdivisions may apply and act as subapplicants if they are part of a community participating in the NFIP where the political subdivision provides zoning and building code enforcement or planning and community development professional services for that community. Subapplications under which two or more entities would carry out the award are eligible, such as a multi-state or multi-tribal initiative; however, only one entity may be the subapplicant with primary responsibility for carrying out the award.

This grant program funds three types of activities and projects: Capability and Capacity Building Activities, Localized Flood Risk Reduction Projects, and Individual Flood Mitigation Projects.

All activities under this program must be in conformance with all criteria established by FEMA that is specific to the proposed activity found in the Hazard Mitigation Assistance Program and Policy Guide.

## Funding

In FY 2024, approximately $600 million in funding will be available to support 40 awards and 725 subawards. Of the total amount, funding will be allocated as follows:

Capability and Capacity Building Activities subtotal: $60,000,000

- Capability and Capacity Building Activities federal activity cap per subapplication are:
  - $100,000 for Mitigation plans with maximums of $50,000 for state mitigation plans and $25,000 for local mitigation plans.
  - $50,000 for Technical Assistance by States to Communities.
  - $900,000 for Project Scoping.
  - $300,000 for Additional Capability and Capacity Building Activities.

Localized Flood Risk Reduction Projects subtotal: $420,000,000

- Localized Flood Risk Reduction Projects federal activity cap per subapplication is $50,000,000 per project.

Individual Flood Mitigation Projects subtotal: $120,000,000

- Individual Flood Risk Reduction Projects do not have a federal activity cap.

The period of performance is 36 months, starting on the date of the recipient's federal award. Given the complexity of the Localized Flood Risk Reduction Projects, the applicant may submit a request for a longer period of performance in the application for FEMA to review and approve. A longer period of performance for a Localized Flood Risk Reduction Project must be requested, documented, reasonable, and justified. Any

subsequent amendments to the federal award will not extend the period of performance unless explicitly stated.

## Matching and Cost Sharing

Cost share is required for most subapplications funded under this program. FEMA may contribute the federal cost share funding if available, as follows:

Management Cost

- The applicant's management cost is 10% of the aggregate of all total subapplication budgets.

Capability and Capacity Building Activities federal cost share options

- Up to 90% federal cost share funding if the average CDC SVI score is not less than 0.5001 for the benefiting area(s) substantiated by a benefiting area map, and BIL must fund the activity. FEMA will determine the CDC SVI score using the following three SVI themes: Socioeconomic Status, Household Characteristics, and Housing Type and Transportation.
- Up to 75% federal cost share funding if a higher federal cost share is not available.

Localized Flood Risk Reduction Projects federal cost share options

- Up to 90% federal cost share funding if the average CDC SVI score is not less than 0.5001 for the project benefiting area containing NFIP-insured properties, and Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) must fund the activity.
- Up to 75% federal cost share funding if a higher cost share is not available.

Individual Flood Mitigation Projects federal cost share options and definitions

- Up to 100% federal cost share funding for a structure that:
    - Is covered under a contract for flood insurance made available under the NFIP; and
    - Has incurred flood-related damage:
        - For which four or more separate claims payments (includes building and contents) have been made under flood insurance coverage, with the amount of each such claim exceeding $5,000, and with the cumulative amount of such claim payments exceeding $20,000, or
        - For which at least two separate claims payments have been made under such coverage, with the cumulative amount of such claims exceeding the market value of the insured structure.
- Up to 90% federal cost share funding for structures covered by a contract for flood insurance made available under the NFIP that:
    - Has incurred flood-related damage on two occasions, in which the cost of the repair, on the average, equaled or exceeded 25% of the market value of the structure at the time of each such flood event; and
    - At the time of the second incidence of flood-related damage, the contract for flood insurance contains Increased Cost of Compliance (ICC) coverage.
- Up to 90% federal cost share funding for each NFIP-insured property within a census tract with a CDC SVI score is not less than 0.5001, and the BIL must fund the activity.
- Up to 75% federal cost share funding if a higher federal cost share is not available.

Generally, the cost share for this program is 75% federal cost share and 25% non-federal cost share.

## Contact Information

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https://www.fema.gov/grants/mitigation/learn/flood-mitigation-assistance

FEDERAL
GRANT PROFILE

**Department:** U.S. Department of Homeland Security
**Agency:** Office of Federal Emergency Management (FEMA)

# FY 2024 Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP)

## Grant Overview

This program helps states, tribes, and territories develop hazard mitigation plans and rebuild following a presidential major disaster declaration in a way that reduces or mitigates future disaster losses in their communities. Eligible applicants are the emergency management agencies or similar offices of the 50 states, the District of Columbia, U.S. territories, and federally recognized tribes. Eligible sub applicants include state agencies, federally recognized tribes, local governments/communities, and private nonprofit organizations.

## Program History

A program history is unavailable.

## Key Information

**Total Funding:** Unspecified
**Award Range:** Varies
**Match:** 25 percent
**Solicitation date**: Program opens after the announcement of a Presidential Major Disaster Declaration.
**Proposal due**: Varies by disaster

https://www.fema.gov/hazard-mitigation-grant-program

## Tips

- State and local governments may apply for funding under this program through a state's governor in eligible communities within a state, tribe, or territory
- Applicants must have a FEMA approved Local Hazard Mitigation plan
- The process for states and local governments to receive funding under this program is further explained by FEMA here

**Department:** U.S. Department of Homeland Security
**Agency:** Office of Federal Emergency Management (FEMA)

# FY 2024 Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP)

## Detailed Summary

The purpose of this program is to help states, tribes, and territories develop hazard mitigation plans and rebuild following a presidential major disaster declaration in a way that reduces or mitigates future disaster losses in their communities. Awards will be provided for hazard mitigation activities that include long-term efforts to reduce the impact of future disasters. For the purposes of this program, hazard mitigation includes long-term efforts to reduce the impact of future disasters. Eligible risk reduction projects include:

- Planning and enforcement, including:
  - Developing and adopting hazard mitigation plans
  - Acquisition of hazard-prone homes and businesses that will enable owners to relocate to safer areas
  - Post-disaster code enforcement
- Flood protection, including:
  - Protecting homes and businesses with permanent barriers to prevent floodwater from entering
  - Elevating structure above known flood levels to prevent and reduce losses
  - Reconstructing a damaged dwelling on an elevated foundation to prevent and reduce future flood losses
  - Drainage improvement projects to reduce flooding
- Retrofitting, including:
  - Structural retrofits to make a building more resistant to floods, earthquakes, wind, wildfire, and other natural hazards
  - Retrofits to utilities and other infrastructure to enhance resistance to natural hazards
- Construction, including:
  - Construction of safe rooms for both communities and individual residences in areas prone to hurricane and tornado activity
  - Slope stabilization projects to prevent and reduce losses to structures

This program only accepts applications following an applicable presidential major disaster declaration. Should the program open, applicable disaster declarations and deadlines to apply for this program will be posted online at www.fema.gov/disasters. Deadlines will be disaster-specific.

## Applicant Eligibility

Eligible applicants are the emergency management agencies or similar officers of the 50 states, the District of Columbia, American Samoa, Guam, the U.S. Virgin Islands, Puerto Rico, the Northern Mariana Islands, and federally recognized tribes. Each state, territory, commonwealth, or federally recognized tribe must designate

one agency to serve as the applicant. All interested sub applicants must apply to the applicant. Eligible sub applicants include state agencies, federally recognized tribes, local governments/communities, and private nonprofit organizations.

Applicants must have a Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)- approved mitigation plan at the time of the presidential major disaster declaration, and at the time HMGP funding is obligated to the recipient or subrecipient. There is no mitigation plan requirement for the development of a new mitigation plan.

## Funding

In FY 2024, there is an unspecified amount of funding available to support awards through this program. The maximum amount of funding available is calculated using a "sliding scale" formula based on a percentage of the estimated total federal assistance available under the Stafford Act, excluding administrative costs for each presidential major disaster declaration.

Applicants with a Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)-approved state or tribal standard mitigation plan may receive:

- Up to 15 percent of the first $2 billion of the estimated aggregate amount of disaster assistance
- Up to 10 percent for the next portion of the estimated aggregate amount more than $2 billion and up to $10 billion
- Up to 7.5 percent for the next portion of the estimate aggregate amount more than $10 billion and up to $35,333,000,000

Applicants with a FEMA-approved state or tribal enhanced mitigation plan are eligible to receive up to 20 percent of the estimated total federal assistance under the Stafford Act, not to exceed $35,333,000,000, excluding administrative costs authorized for the disaster. Advance assistance may be available in the amount of up to 25 percent of the HMGP ceiling.

The project period will begin with the opening of the application period and end no later than 48 months from the close of the application period. The regional administrator may issue up to two extensions of the project period of up to 12 months each. Requests to extend the project period beyond a total of 24 months must be approved by the funding agency's headquarters.

## Matching and Cost Sharing

Applicants must provide at least 25 percent of the total project costs via cash and/or in-kind contributions. Applicants may choose to meet the match requirement by ensuring a minimum 25 percent cost share for the overall HMGP award rather than on an individual subaward basis. The required cost share may be waived in certain cases for insular areas, including American Samoa, Guam, the Northern Mariana Islands, and the U.S. Virgin Islands.

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https://www.fema.gov/hazard-mitigation-grant-program

FEDERAL
GRANT PROFILE

**Department:** U.S. Department of Homeland Security
**Agency:** Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)

# FY 2025 Homeland Security Grant Program (HSGP)

## Grant Overview

The purpose of this program is to enhance the capabilities of state, local, tribal, and territorial governments, as well as nonprofits, in preventing, protecting against, and responding to terrorist attacks. Eligible applicants are the State Administrative Agencies (SAA). SAAs distribute HSGP funds through subawards to other states, local, or tribal organizations. **Eligible subrecipients include county-level or equivalent governments and federally recognized tribal governments in states bordering Canada or Mexico, or those with international water borders**

## Program History

| | Total Funding | # of Awards |
|---|---|---|
| 2024 | $1.008 billion | 56 |
| 2023 | $1.12 billion | 56 |

## Key Information and Tips

**Total Funding:** $454.5 million
**Match:** Not required
**Solicitation date**: July 28, 2025
**Proposal due:** August 11, 2025

https://www.grants.gov/search-results-detail/360158

## Awardee Profile

The State of California

AMOUNT: $51.3 million
YEAR: 2024

The State of California received formula funding through this program to prevent, prepare for, protect against, and respond to acts of terrorism.

**Department:** U.S. Department of Homeland Security
**Agency:** Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)

# FY 2025 Homeland Security Grant Program (HSGP)

## Detailed Summary

The purpose of the Homeland Security Grant Program (HSGP) is to strengthen the nation's capacity to prevent, prepare for, protect against, and respond to acts of terrorism and other catastrophic events. The HSGP represents a comprehensive approach to national security, fostering collaboration across all levels of government and within communities to build a safer, more resilient nation. Through planning, training, equipment procurement, and exercises, the program ensures jurisdictions are prepared for a wide range of risks through the following two components:

- State Homeland Security Program (SHSP): The goal of SHSP is to support statewide and state, local, tribal, and territorial (SLTT) governments in building, enhancing, and sustaining the capabilities needed to prevent, prepare for, protect against, and respond to acts of terrorism.
- Operation Stonegarden (OPSG): The goal of OPSG is to support enhanced cooperation and coordination among Customs and Border Protection (CBP)/United States Border Patrol (USBP), and federal, state, local, tribal, and territorial law enforcement agencies to strengthen border security.

SHSP aims to strengthen the ability of states to prevent, prepare for, protect against, and respond to acts of terrorism and other hazards. OPSG, on the other hand, remains unique to border security, and focuses on improving cooperation between local, tribal, state, and federal law enforcement to secure America's international borders. These programs work together to build a secure and resilient nation, giving communities the tools and resources they need to handle various threats and emergencies effectively.

SHSP Objectives:

- Build and sustain core capabilities, including LETPA and the NPAs
- Address capability gaps identified in their THIRA and SPR process
- Implement a comprehensive and coordinated approach to address enduring security needs of communities that include planning, training and awareness campaigns, equipment and capital projects, and exercises.

SHSP Funding Priorities:

- Law Enforcement Terrorism Prevention Activities
- National Priority Areas
- Supporting Border Crisis Response and Enforcement
- Effective Planning
- Training and Awareness Campaigns
- Equipment and Capital projects
- Exercises

OPSG Objectives:

- Enhance collaboration and coordination among federal, state, local, tribal, and territorial law enforcement agencies to strengthen border security
- Support joint efforts to secure borders, including land and water routes, and critical travel corridors
- Improve information and intelligence sharing to address border-related threats effectively.

OPSG Funding Priorities:

- Jurisdictions are encouraged to participate in the 287(g) program as part of their OPSG efforts when coordinated with and endorsed by USBP.
- Funding dedicated to support 287(g) activities under OPSG is encouraged but does not count toward the 10% minimum allocation required for the new "Supporting Border Crisis Response and Enforcement" National Priority Area (NPA) under SHSP.

## Applicant Eligibility

Eligible applicants are all 56 U.S. states and territories which includes any state, the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, the U.S. Virgin Islands, Guam, American Samoa, and the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.

The state administrative agency (SAA) is the only entity eligible to submit applications.

Subrecipient Eligibility Under HSGP, FEMA provides funds to each state's SAA. The SAA distributes these funds to other state or local organizations, such as city agencies or county departments. These distributed funds are called subawards, and the organizations receiving them are referred to as subrecipients.

- SHSP: All U.S. states and territories listed above are eligible. Tribal governments must work through their state's SAA.
- OPSG: Eligible subrecipients include county-level or equivalent governments and federally recognized tribal governments in states bordering Canada or Mexico, or those with international water borders. Applicants must have active U.S. Border Patrol operations coordinated with a U.S. Customs and Border Protection sector office to qualify. OPSG subrecipients are divided into three tiers based on their location:
    - Tier 1 includes counties or tribal governments directly on the land borders with Canada and Mexico, or those located directly on physical borders with Canada, Mexico, or along international water borders.
    - Tier 2 includes counties or tribal governments next to Tier 1 locations.
    - Tier 3 includes counties or tribal governments next to Tier 2 locations. The tier structure is only applicable with regard to eligibility. OPSG funding allocations are based on the assessed border security risks as determined by the U.S. Border Patrol.

## Funding

In FY 2025, $454.5 million is available to support 56 awards through this program. Funding allocations are as follows:

- SHSP: $373,500,000 is available to support awards ranging from $997,200 up to $61,229,940

- OPSG: $81,000,000 is available to support awards ranging from $200,000 up to $33, 708,000

The period of performance is 36 months starting at the date of federal award.

## Matching and Cost Sharing

Matching funds are not required for this program.

## Contact Information

FEMA has assigned Preparedness Officers to each state for the HSGP. If you are unsure who your Preparedness Officer is, please contact FEMA Grants News by phone at (800) 368-6498 or by email at fema-grants-news@fema.dhs.gov, Monday through Friday, 9:00 AM – 5:00 PM ET.

https://www.grants.gov/search-results-detail/360158

FEDERAL
GRANT PROFILE

**Department:** U.S. Department of Homeland Security
**Agency:** Federal Emergency Management Agency

# FY 2025 National Dam Safety Program State Assistance – Spring Grant

## Grant Overview

The purpose of this program is to encourage the establishment and maintenance of effective State programs intended to ensure dam safety, to protect human life and property, and to improve State dam safety programs. Eligible applicants are state dam safety programs for eligible entities meeting the statutory definition of a "state."

## Program History

| | Total Funding | # of Awards |
|---|---|---|
| 2024 Spring | $7.5 million | 49 |
| 2024 Fall | $24.2 million | 50 |
| 2023 | $6.25 million | 50 |
| 2022 | $10.854 million | 50 |

## Key Information

**Total Funding:** $7.48 million
**Award Range:** $40,000 - $550,000
**Match:** Not required
**Solicitation date**: July 28, 2025
**Proposal due:** August 11, 2025

https://www.grants.gov/search-results-detail/360155

## Awardee Profile

North Carolina Department of Environmental Quality

AMOUNT: $222,796
YEAR: 2024 Spring

The North Carolina Department of Environmental Quality received funding to inspect and assess dams, and develop emergency action plans, promote public awareness of dams, and increase state employees' capacity through learning and training opportunities (conferences, seminars, and dissemination of national-level risk prioritization criteria).

**Department:** U.S. Department of Homeland Security
**Agency:** Federal Emergency Management Agency

# FY 2025 National Dam Safety Program State Assistance

## Detailed Summary

The purpose of this program is to encourage the establishment and maintenance of effective State programs intended to ensure dam safety, to protect human life and property, and to improve State dam safety programs. The objectives of this program are to:

- Identify deficiencies and risks associated with dams
- Increase public awareness of the benefits and risks associated with dam infrastructure, and potential hazards associated with dam failure
- Advance the state of practice of dam safety and dam risk management

Eligible project types include:

- Perform targeted safety inspections of High Hazard (HH) dams/dams of highest consequence.
- Perform targeted condition assessment and evaluations of reservoirs and high hazard dams/dams of highest consequence.
- Development of new or updated Emergency Action Plan (EAP) of HH dams / dams of highest consequence.
- Perform regulatory enforcement actions: Implement enforcement actions to compel the dam owner of an unsafe high hazard potential dam to take action to reduce the risk associated with the dam. Regulatory enforcement actions may include, but not limited to, official notice of violation, civil or criminal penalties, reservoir restrictions, or safe breaching of the dam.
- Execution of targeted outreach and messaging strategies to inform the public and stakeholders of dam risks and actions that individuals/organizations/communities need to take.
- Establish and maintain assessment tool for gauging effectiveness of targeted public outreach about hazards and risks associated with dams.
- Identification of and applied best practices that advance operations of state dam safety programs (includes software programs that assess, monitor, model, and analyze potential and real risk).
- Risk identification analysis and risk prioritization methodologies to inform decision-making in dam rehabilitation or removal projects of High Hazard Potential Dams (HHPD).
- Build or improve a cybersecurity awareness program to promote resources and the implementation of cybersecurity with owners and operators, consistent with the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) Framework for Improving Critical Infrastructure Cybersecurity the Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA) Dams Sector Cybersecurity Implementation Framework Guidance, and/or CISA's Cross-Sector Cybersecurity Performance Goals
- Professional education, workshops, and training on content such as dam operations and safety standards, industry best practices, risk assessment methodologies, and risk communication strategies for dam owners, local officials and emergency managers, and state dam safety staff.

## Applicant Eligibility

Eligible applicants are state dam safety programs for eligible entities meeting the statutory definition of a "state." Per Title 33 United States Code Section 467(10), the term "state" means each of the several states of the United States, the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, the U.S. Virgin Islands, Guam, American Samoa, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, and any other territory or possession of the United States. Subapplicants and subawards are not allowed.

For a state to be eligible for assistance under this program, a state dam safety program must be authorized by state legislation and working toward meeting specific criteria and budgeting requirements. Note only dams that meet the definition in 33 U.S.C. Section 467 are eligible for funding under State Assistance.

## Funding

In FY 2025, approximately $7.48 million is available to support an anticipated 50 awards ranging from $40,000 to $550,000 through this program.

The anticipated funding selection and award date is September 19, 2025. The projected period of performance starts on the date of award and ends 12 months after the award date.

## Matching and Cost Sharing

There is no cost share requirement. However, the award amount may not exceed 4 times the amount of funds committed by the state for dam safety activities.

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FEDERAL
GRANT PROFILE

**Department:** U.S. Department of Homeland Security
**Agency:** Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)

# FY 2025 National Urban Search and Rescue Response System Readiness Cooperative Agreement

## Grant Overview

The purpose of this program is to provide for a national network of standardized search and rescue resources to assist States and local governments in responding to hazards. The goal is to provide for a national network of standardized search and rescue resources to assist States and local governments in responding to hazards. Eligible applicants must be one of the 28 FEMA-designated Urban Search and Rescue Task Force Sponsoring Agencies.

## Program History

| | Total Funding | # of Awards |
|---|---|---|
| 2024 | $40.3 million | 28 |

## Key Information

**Total Funding:** $40,274,708
**Award Range:** $1.3 million - $1.6 million
**Match:** Not required
**Solicitation date:** July 28, 2025
**Proposal due:** August 11, 2025

- This program is non-competitive and is available to the 28 eligible FEMA-designated sponsoring agencies

https://www.fema.gov/emergency-managers/national-preparedness/frameworks/urban-search-rescue

## Awardee Profile

Menlo Park Fire Protection District
Menlo Park, California

YEAR: 2024

Menlo Park Fire Protection District received funding to maintain California Task Force 3 as one of 28 national Urban Search and Rescue task forces that can deploy within 6 hours to assist with structural collapse rescue and other disaster response operations. The exact award information amount is not publicly available.

**Department:** U.S. Department of Homeland Security
**Agency:** Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)

# FY 2025 National Urban Search and Rescue Response System Readiness Cooperative Agreement

## Detailed Summary

The purpose of this program is to provide for a national network of standardized search and rescue resources to assist States and local governments in responding to hazards. The National Urban Search and Rescue Response System receives federal funding to ensure adequate day-to-day administration, program and grant management, training, exercise, procurement and storage and maintenance for the 28 National Urban Search and Rescue Task Forces. The goal is to provide for a national network of standardized search and rescue resources to assist States and local governments in responding to hazards.

Funding provided in this Cooperative Agreement ensures that the 28 Sponsoring task forces develop and maintain their targeted readiness requirements and can do so independent of Sponsoring Agency funding. Program objectives include:

- Administration activities such as management of day-to-day System activities, personnel compensation and benefits, record keeping, inventory of equipment, and correspondence
- Training development and delivery, participation in System-related training courses, exercises, and drills
- Equipment procurement, maintenance and repair of items on the DHS-approved Equipment Cache List
- Disaster search canine expenses including procurement, training and certification, and veterinary care

Allowable costs under this program include:

- Management and administration costs directly related to implementing the award
- Training and certification expenses
- Equipment procurement and maintenance as specified on the Equipment Cache List
- Storage facility lease and maintenance
- Travel to System activities, meetings, conferences, training, drills, and exercises
- Tests, examinations, vaccinations, and immunizations required by DHS standards
- Disaster search canine-related expenses

Performance will be evaluated annually through the FEMA US&R Annual Self-Evaluation, with results validated triennially through the FEMA US&R Administrative Readiness Evaluation (ARE). Key performance areas include Operations (maintaining complement of 140+ rostered, trained, and deployable task force members), Logistics (85% complement of cache equipment items), and Administrative/Management functions.

## Applicant Eligibility

Eligible applicants must be one of the 28 FEMA-designated Urban Search and Rescue Task Force Sponsoring Agencies. The term "sponsoring agency" means a State or local government that is the sponsor of a task force designated by the Administrator to participate in the System. Subapplicants and subawards are not allowed under this program.

## Funding

In FY 2025, a total of approximately $40,274,708 is available to support an expected 28 cooperative agreements of $1.3 million to $1.6 million through this program. The project period will last for 36 months and is expected to begin on September 1, 2025, and end on August 31, 2028.

## Matching and Cost Sharing

There is no cost share or matching requirement under this grant program.

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FEDERAL
GRANT PROFILE

**Department:** U.S. Department of Homeland Security
**Agency:** Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)

# FY 2025 Port Security Grant Program (PSGP)

## Grant Overview

The purpose of this program is to strengthen port-wide risk management and protect critical surface transportation infrastructure from acts of terrorism, major disasters, and other emergencies. Funding will support activities associated with implementing Area Maritime Security Plans (AMSP), Facility Security Plans (FSPs), Vessel Security Plans (VSPs), and other port-wide risk management efforts. Eligible applicants are entities subject to an area maritime security plan, including port authorities, facility operators, and state, local, and territorial government agencies.

## Program History

| | Total Funding | Awards |
|---|---|---|
| 2024 | $90 million | 203 |
| 2023 | $100 million | 299 |

## Key Information and Tips

**Total Funding:** $90 million
**Award Range:** $10,000 - $6.5 million
**Match:** Varies by applicant type
**Solicitation date:** August 1, 2025
**Proposal due:** August 15, 2025

- Additional consideration will be given to projects certified by the U.S. Coast Guard Captain of the Port (COTP) as having a port-wide benefit.

https://www.fema.gov/grants/preparedness/port-security

## Awardee Profile

City of San Rafael, CA

AMOUNT: $904,988
YEAR: 2024

The City of San Rafael received funding through the PSGP to support strengthened port-wide risk management and protect critical surface transportation infrastructure from acts of terrorism, major disasters, and other emergencies.

**Department:** U.S. Department of Homeland Security
**Agency:** Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)

# FY 2025 Port Security Grant Program (PSGP)

## Detailed Summary

The purpose of this program is to support strengthened port-wide risk management and protect critical surface transportation infrastructure from acts of terrorism, major disasters, and other emergencies. Funding will support port authorities; facility operators; and state, local, and territorial agencies for activities associated with implementing area maritime security plans (AMSP), facility security plans (FSPs), vessel security plans (VSPs), and other port-wide risk management efforts. Projects that enhance business continuity and resumption of trade within a port area are also eligible.

This program provides resources that support port authorities; facility operators; and state, local, and territorial agencies in meeting the following objectives:

1. Build and sustain core capabilities of maritime infrastructure systems in alignment with the FY 2025 National Priority Areas (NPAs).
2. Address and close gaps identified in Area Maritime Security Plans and Facility Security Plans.
3. Implement a comprehensive and coordinated (all-inclusive) approach to address enduring security needs of communities that includes planning, training and awareness campaigns, equipment and capital projects, and exercises.

The FY 2025 National Priority Areas (NPAs) reflect the funding agency's broader mission across all preparedness efforts. Applicants should be familiar with these NPAs, as they represent DHS's current focus areas and may shape future guidance:

1. Enhancing the protection of soft targets and crowded places,
    a. This includes faith-based organizations and election sites;
2. Supporting Homeland Security Task Forces and fusion centers;
3. Enhancing and integrating cybersecurity resiliency;
4. Enhancing election security; and
5. Supporting Border Crisis Response and Enforcement.
    a. Example activities under border crisis response and enforcement support may include:
    b. Participation in the Department of Homeland Security/Immigration and Customs Enforcement 287(g) training program;
    c. Cooperation with Immigration and Customs Enforcement detainers; and
    d. Other jurisdictional responsibilities to support the enforcement of the United States immigration law.

Enduring needs include:

6. Effective planning
7. Training and awareness campaigns

8. Equipment and capital projects
9. Exercises

For FY 2025, the Administration encourages applicants to propose innovative solutions that support the broader homeland security mission reflected in the NPAs, as applicable. Applicants must clearly demonstrate how their proposed projects address an NPA and how they align with the stated purpose and objectives of this NOFO. Projects that do so will have their final review scores increased by a multiplier of 20%. Additionally, projects submitted by a public sector applicant or projects otherwise certified by the USCG Captain of the Port (COTP) as having a port-wide benefit will have their final scores increased by a multiplier of 10%.

## Applicant Eligibility

Eligible applicants are entities subject to an area maritime security plan (AMSP), as defined by Title 46, Section 70103(b) of the U.S. Code (U.S.C.). Eligible applicants include but are not limited to port authorities, facility operators, and state, local, and territorial government agencies.

For the purposes of this program, a facility operator is defined as an entity that owns, leases, or operates any structure or facility of any kind located in, on, under, or adjacent to any waters subject to the jurisdiction of the United States, including terminal operators, ferry systems, bar/harbor pilots, and merchant's exchanges.

Eligibility for funding of explosives detection canine teams (EDCTs) is restricted to:

- U.S. ferry systems regulated under Title 33 of the Code of Federal Regulations (C.F.R.) Parts 101, 103, and 104, and the passenger terminals these specific ferries service under 33 C.F.R. Part 105
- Maritime Transportation Security Act (MTSA)-regulated facilities
- Port authorities, port police, and local law enforcement agencies that provide direct layered security for these U.S. ferry systems and MTSA-regulated facilities and are defined in the AMSP, facility security plans (FSPs), or vessel security plans (VSPs)

All applicants must be fully compliant with relevant maritime security regulations under Title 33, Parts 101-106 of the C.F.R.

Prior to receiving awards, award recipients must ensure and maintain adoption and implementation of the National Incident Management System (NIMS).

An eligible entity may submit no more than one application within each port area. An application may contain up to five Investment Justifications (IJs). Large projects that implement multiple components in multiple port areas should be submitted as separate applications. The funding agency will generally view multiple agencies within a local government operating within one port area as a single eligible entity. An eligible entity operating multiple facilities, departments, subcomponents, or agencies within a single port area may choose to submit separate applications for facilities, departments, subcomponents, or agencies within it; however, any such separate applications will be considered part of the same eligible entity for purposes of the program's matching requirements. In general, each individual facility, department, subcomponent, or agency of a single eligible entity should submit no more than one application.

## Funding

In FY 2025, a total of $90 million is available to support approximately 200 awards ranging from $10,000 to $6.5 million through this program.

The anticipated funding selection date is no later than August 23, 2025. The projected period of performance will begin on September 1, 2025 and conclude on August 31, 2028.

Costs for the acquisition, operation, and maintenance of security equipment or facilities to be used for security monitoring and recording, security gates and fencing, marine barriers for designated security zones, security-related lighting systems, remote surveillance, concealed video systems, security vessels, and other security-related infrastructure or equipment that contributes to the overall security of passengers, cargo, or crew members is limited to $1 million per project; however, this limitation does not apply to projects funded under other provisions of Section 70107 of the U.S.C.

Costs for explosive detection canine teams (EDCTs) are limited to $150,000 per year for three years, for a total of $450,000. Management and administration (M&A) costs are limited to up to 5 percent of the total award amount.

Applicants must obtain written approval from the funding agency for construction or renovation projects. Iron and steel, manufactured products, and construction materials used in the infrastructure must be produced in the United States to be considered an eligible use of funds.

## Matching and Cost Sharing

In general, all public sector applicants must provide at least 25 percent of the total project costs via nonfederal cash and/or in-kind contributions. Applicants that are private, for-profit entities must provide at least 50 percent of the total project costs via nonfederal cash and/or in-kind contributions.

The following exceptions to the match requirements may apply:

- Projects that have a port-wide benefit need only be funded at the public sector matching level, regardless of applicant entity type
- Matching funds are not required for applicants whose total project requests are less than $25,000
- Matching funds are not required for projects that train public safety personnel in the enforcement of security zones or in assisting in the enforcement of such security zones

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FEDERAL
GRANT PROFILE

**Department:** U.S. Department of Homeland Security
**Agency:** Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)

# FY 2024 Regional Catastrophic Preparedness Grant Program (RCPGP)

## Grant Overview

The purpose of this program is to build regional capacity to manage catastrophic incidents by improving and expanding collaboration for catastrophic incident preparedness. Eligible applicants are states, including the District of Columbia and territories, that contain one or more of the 100 most populous metropolitan statistical areas (MSAs), as well as local governments located within one of the 100 most populous MSAs.

## Program History

| | Total Funding | # of Awards |
|---|---|---|
| 2023 | $12 million | 10 |
| 2022 | $12 million | 10 |

## Key Information and Tips

**Total Funding:** $10.8 million
**Award Range:** Up to $3 million
**Match:** Not required
**Solicitation date**: May 23, 2024
**Proposal due:** July 25, 2024

Priority will be given to planning efforts that address the needs of disadvantaged communities who might be at special risk because of current and/or future hazards, including those associated with climate change.

https://www.fema.gov/grants/preparedness/regional-catastrophic/fy-24-fact-sheet

## Awardee Profile

Commonwealth, MA

AMOUNT: $1.5 million
YEAR: 2023

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts requested funding to develop solutions that address equity and resilience in Southern New England. The grant activities will focus on the most vulnerable neighborhoods and aim to increase their overall resilience to climate and other hazards through data analysis, outreach and education, volunteer coordination, continuity planning, and mitigation efforts.

**Department:** U.S. Department of Homeland Security
**Agency:** Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)

# FY 2024 Regional Catastrophic Preparedness Grant Program (RCPGP)

## Detailed Summary

The purpose of this program is to build regional capacity to manage catastrophic incidents by improving and expanding collaboration for catastrophic incident preparedness. For the purposes of this program, a catastrophic incident is defined as any natural or man-made incident, including an act of terrorism, that results in extraordinary levels of mass casualties, damage, or disruption severely affecting the population, infrastructure, environment, economy, national morale, or government functions. This program will provide funding to close known capability gaps, encourage innovative regional solutions to issues related to catastrophic incidents, and build on existing regional preparedness efforts.

In support of the funding agency's 2022-2026 Strategic Plan, equity, climate resilience, readiness, and housing are the strategic priorities of this program. When developing their project proposals, applicants should consider how the proposed project can address these priorities and produce meaningful results, using the Strategic Plan file as a guide.

Applicants must develop and deliver one planning project that addresses specific capability gaps based on Threat and Hazard Identification and Risk Assessment (THIRA)/Stakeholder Preparedness Review (SPR) results and focuses on the following core capabilities, with an emphasis on disadvantaged communities, within the strategic priorities:

- *Community resilience*: The purpose of this core capability is to enable the recognition, understanding, communication of, and planning for risk and empower individuals and communities to make informed risk management decisions necessary to adapt to, withstand, and quickly recover from future incidents.
- *Long-term vulnerability reduction*: The purpose of this core capability is to build and sustain resilient systems, communities, and critical infrastructure and key resources lifelines to reduce their vulnerability to threats and hazards.
- *Housing:* The purpose of this core capability is to implement housing solutions that effectively support the needs of the whole community and contribute to its sustainability and resilience.

## Applicant Eligibility

Eligible applicants are states, including the District of Columbia and territories, that contain one or more of the 100 most populous metropolitan statistical areas (MSAs), as well as local governments located within one of the 100 most populous MSAs.

Applications must be submitted by either the state administrative agency (SAA); the first principal city within the MSA; or a different local government located within the MSA, only if the application includes a signed letter of support from the office of the chief executive of the first principal city.

## Funding

In FY 2024, a total of $10.8 million is available to support an expected five to ten awards through this program overall, with an unspecified amount of funding available to support awards of up to $3 million each through this component. The project period is 36 months and is expected to begin on October 1, 2024, and end on September 30, 2027. Applicants must submit their proposal in accordance with their region, as determined by the funding agency (i.e., Region 1-10).

## Matching and Cost Sharing

Matching funds are not required for this program. No additional points for project scoring will be given for voluntary cost share.

## Contact Information

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https://www.fema.gov/grants/preparedness/regional-catastrophic/fy-24-fact-sheet

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**Department:** U.S. Department of Homeland Security
**Agency:** Federal Emergency Management Agency

# FY 2024 Rehabilitation of High Hazard Potential Dam (HHPD) Grant Program

## Grant Overview

This program reduces or eliminates the risk of eligible high hazard potential dams (HHPD). Funds will be made available to eligible states for pass-through to nonfederal governmental organizations or nonprofit organizations for the rehabilitation of HHPD listed in the National Inventory of Dams with a condition assessment of poor or unsatisfactory and dams in fair condition with a population at risk (PAR) at or above 1,000. Eligible applicants are states with a state dam safety program that is authorized by state legislation and a Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)-approved state mitigation plan that includes all dam risks and complies with the Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000. **Local governments and nonprofits may apply as sub applicants through their state specific process.**

## Program History

| | Total Funding | # of Awards |
|---|---|---|
| 2022 | $33 million | 50 |

## Key Information

**Total Funding:** $185,120,000
**Award Range:** Varies
**Match:** 35 percent
**Solicitation date:** September 25, 2023
**Proposal due:** February 29, 2024

https://www.fema.gov/emergency-managers/risk-management/dam-safety/rehabilitation-high-hazard-potential-dams

## Awardee Profile

Pennsylvania Emergency Management Agency
Governor's Office
Comptroller

AMOUNT: $18,063,385
YEAR: 2024

The Pennsylvania Emergency Management Agency Governor's Office Comptroller received funding to reduce or eliminate the risk of eligible HHPDs.

**Department:** U.S. Department of Homeland Security
**Agency:** Federal Emergency Management Agency

# FY 2024 Rehabilitation of High Hazard Potential Dam (HHPD) Grant Program

## Detailed Summary

The purpose of this program is to reduce or eliminate the risk of eligible high hazard potential dams (HHPD). Funds will be made available to eligible states for pass-through to nonfederal governmental organizations or nonprofit organizations for the rehabilitation of HHPD listed in the National Inventory of Dams with a condition assessment of poor or unsatisfactory and dams in fair condition with a population at risk (PAR) at or above 1,000.

This program incentivizes eligible states to:

- Provide financial assistance for repair, removal, or rehabilitation of eligible HHPD
- Incorporate risk-informed analysis and decision making into their dam safety practice and HHPD rehabilitation investments
- Incorporate risk-analysis results and information and consider all dam risk in state, local, tribal, and territorial mitigation planning
- Promote community preparedness by requiring recipients to develop and implement floodplain management plans that address potential measures, practices, and policies to reduce loss of life, injuries, damage to property and facilities, public expenditures, and other adverse effects of flooding
- Reduce costs associated with dam rehabilitation through the deployment of innovative solutions and technologies

Funds will support projects in the following two categories:

- Project scoping, engineering, and design
- Construction projects

Funds may be used for the rehabilitation of eligible HHPD or any other structural or non-structural measures to rehabilitate an eligible HHPD. For the purposes of this program, rehabilitation means the repair, replacement, reconstruction, or removal of a dam to meet applicable state dam safety and security standards.

## Applicant Eligibility

Eligible applicants are states with a state dam safety program authorized by state legislation. Each eligible state must designate one state administrative agency (SAA) to serve as the applicant. No more than one application per SAA will be accepted.

Eligible subrecipients are nonfederal governmental organizations, other than the designated SAA, and nonprofit organizations. Subrecipients must also have, or be located in a local jurisdiction with, a local hazard mitigation plan that is approved by the funding agency, includes all dam risks, complies with the Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000, and is in place at the time application submission. Eligible subrecipients must

apply for and receive subawards directly from the SAA. The SAA must contact potential subrecipients to identify potential eligible subrecipients with an eligible dam that express interest in obtaining a subaward for a specific planning or design project. A state may have multiple subrecipients.

## Funding

In FY 2024, a total of $185.12 million is available to support an anticipated 50 awards through this program. Funds will be made available to eligible states for pass-through to nonfederal governmental organizations or nonprofit organizations. Subrecipients may receive awards up to $7.5 million. The allocation of funds will be calculated as follows:

- Equal distribution: one-third of the funds will be distributed equally among states in which the projects for which eligible applications are submitted are located
- Need-based: two-thirds of the funds will be distributed among states in which the projects for which eligible applications are submitted are located based on the proportion that the number of eligible high-hazard potential dams in the state bears to the number of eligible high-hazard potential dams in all such states

Funding selections are expected to be made no later than March 25, 2024, and awards are expected to be issued no later than April 8, 2024. The project period is 36 months. Extension requests will be granted only due to compelling legal, policy, or operational challenges. Up to 10 percent of the funds awarded may be retained by the state to be used solely for management and administration (M&A) purposes associated with the award. Subrecipients may also retain up to 5 percent of the funds passed through by the state solely for M&A purposes associated with the award.

## Matching and Cost Sharing

Applicants must provide at least 35 percent of the total project costs via nonfederal cash or in-kind contributions.

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GRANT PROFILE

**Department:** U.S. Department of Homeland Security
**Agency:** Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)

# FY 2025 Transit Security Grant Program

## Grant Overview

This program provides funds to public transit agencies to protect critical surface transportation infrastructure and the traveling public from acts of terrorism. Eligible applicants are passenger rail, intra-city bus, and ferry systems listed in the NOFO on pages 36-37. These agencies are determined based on ridership and their status as transit systems that serve historically eligible Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI) urban areas with updated and approved security plans.

## Program History

| | Total Funding |
|---|---|
| 2024 | $83.7 million |
| 2023 | $100 million |

## Key Information and Tips

**Total Funding:** $83.7 million
**Award Range:** $352,721– $46,900,219
**Match:** Not Required
**Solicitation date:** August 1, 2025
**Proposal due:** August 15, 2025

- Applicants receiving funds through this program must also participate in a Regional Transit Security Working Group (RTSWG) or develop a RTSWG if one does not already exist.

https://www.grants.gov/search-results-detail/360204

## Awardee Profile

Chicago Transit Authority, Chicago, IL

AMOUNT: $19,268,840
YEAR: 2024

Chicago Transit Authority received a grant of nearly $20 million to protect critical surface transportation and the traveling public from acts of terrorism and to increase the resilience of transit infrastructure.

**Department:** U.S. Department of Homeland Security
**Agency:** Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)

# FY 2025 Transit Security Grant Program (TSGP)

## Detailed Summary

The purpose of this program is to protect critical surface transportation infrastructure and the traveling public from acts of terrorism and increasing the resilience of the transportation infrastructure itself. To accomplish this, TSGP funds build and sustain core capabilities relevant to transit security and annual National Priority Areas (NPAs) and address and close gaps identified in transit agency vulnerability assessments and the agency's Public Transportation Risk Assessment Methodology. Funding under this program also supports continuous emergency-related planning, exercising and training processes and the use of this cycle to test plans, validate capabilities, identify gaps, inform investments, and continuously update plans to reflect organizational changes as well as findings from exercises and real-world events. Funds will be awarded to eligible public transportation agencies, which include intra-city bus, ferries, and passenger rail.

The FY 2025 NPAs for FEMA's preparedness grant programs are:

- Enhancing the protection of soft targets/crowded places:
    - This includes faith-based organizations and election sites;
- Supporting Homeland Security Task Forces and fusion centers
- Enhancing and integrating cybersecurity resiliency;
- Enhancing election cybersecurity: and
- Border Crisis Response and Enforcement Support
    - Example activities include:
        - Participation in the Department of Homeland Security/Immigration and Customs Enforcement 287(g) training program
        - Cooperation with Immigration and Customs Enforcement detainers
        - Other jurisdictional responsibilities to support the enforcement of United States Immigration Law

Projects that sufficiently address one or more of the NPAs will have their final review scores increased by a multiplier of 20%. There are several enduring needs identified by this program that include effective planning, training and awareness campaigns, equipment and capital projects, and exercises.

Investment Justification (IJ): As part of the FY 2025 TSGP application process, applicants must develop a formal IJ that addresses each initiative being proposed for funding, including a project's management and administration (M&A) costs. An agency may submit up to eight IJs. Agencies may also submit up to five additional IJs for projects related to law enforcement providers that are not part of the public transportation agency. Law enforcement providers may only submit projects that support a transit system's operational security capability and capacity. IJs must demonstrate how proposed projects address gaps and deficiencies (identified in a current vulnerability assessment) and must link to one or more core capabilities identified in the National Preparedness Goal.

Operational Packages (OPacks): Applicants that meet basic OPack eligibility requirements may elect to pursue OPack funding for Canine Teams, Mobile Explosives Detection Screening Teams, and Anti-Terrorism Teams, for new capabilities as well as to sustain existing OPacks. Applicants pursuing both new OPacks and sustainment funding for existing OPacks must indicate in their IJs which option is the higher priority for their agency. Additionally, applicants pursuing either new teams or sustainment of existing teams must include the number of OPack teams already in place (either funded by the agency or by TSGP). In addition, recipients must commit to minimum training standards for all Federally funded OPack positions.

## Applicant Eligibility

Eligible applicants are governmental agencies with eligible rail, intra-city bus, and ferry systems listed on pages 36-37 of the NOFO. Eligible transit agencies are determined based on daily unlinked passenger trips (ridership) and transit systems that serve historically eligible Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI) areas. Each public transportation agency receiving funds through this program must also participate in a Regional Transit Security Working Group (RTSWG) or develop a RTSWG if one does not already exist. Certain ferry systems are eligible to apply for funding through this program; however, ferry systems that elect to participate will not be considered for funding through the Port Security Grant Program (PSGP). All eligible agencies must have an updated and approved security plan. Awardees must also ensure and maintain adoption and implementation of the National Incident Management System (NIMS).

An immigration term and condition may be material to the funding agency's decision to make this grant award, and the funding agency may take any remedy for noncompliance, including termination, if the state or territorial recipient or any local government subrecipient fails to comply with this term and condition. No final agency determination has been made as of the date of this publication.

## Funding

In FY 2025, a total of $83.7 million is available to support 25 awards through this program. Awards are expected to range from $352,721 to $46,900,219. Awards will be announced no later than August 23, 2025, and awards will be made no later than September 30, 2025. The projected period of performance start date is September 1, 2025, and the end date is either August 31, 2028 or August 31, 2029. The period of performance for capital infrastructure projects is 48 months and 36 months for all other projects.

## Matching and Cost Sharing

Matching funds are not required for this program.

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**Department:** U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development
**Agency:** Office of Community Planning and Development

# FY 2023 Community Development Block Grant Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR) Program

## Grant Overview

This program rebuilds disaster-impacted areas and provides crucial seed money to start the long-term recovery process. These flexible grants help cities, counties, Indian tribes, and states recover from presidentially declared disasters, especially in low-income areas, subject to availability of supplemental appropriations. Eligible recipients are state and local governments. The funding agency will notify eligible states, cities, and counties if they are eligible to receive CDBG-DR grants. Those who receive grant money include state agencies, non-profit organizations, economic development agencies, citizens and businesses.

## Program History

| Year | Total Funding |
|---|---|
| 2023 | $3 billion |
| 2022 | $2 billion |

## Key Information

**Total Funding:** $138 million
**Award Range:** Varies
**Match:** Not required

https://www.hud.gov/program_offices/comm_planning/cdbg-dr

## Tips

- Citizen participation is both encouraged and required throughout the CDBG-DR grant process.
- Information on all CDBG-DR active grants and grantee information can be found here.

**Department:** U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development
**Agency:** Office of Community Planning and Development

# FY 2023 Community Development Block Grant Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR) Program

## Detailed Summary

The purpose of this program is to rebuild disaster-impacted areas and provide crucial seed money to start the long-term recovery process. These flexible grants help cities, counties, Indian tribes, and states recover from presidentially declared disasters, especially in low-income areas, subject to availability of supplemental appropriations. Since CDBG-DR assistance may fund a broad range of recovery activities, the funding agency can help communities and neighborhoods that otherwise might not recover due to limited resources.

This special appropriation provides funds to the most impacted and distressed areas for:

- Disaster Relief
- Long Term-Recovery
- Restoration of Infrastructure
- Housing
- Economic Revitalization

Before cities, counties, and states can begin utilizing CDBG-DR funds (expenditure) several steps must be completed to include the creation of a disaster recovery web page, Action Plan approval, applicable environmental reviews, and the execution of a grant agreement with the funding agency.

Citizen participation is both encouraged and required throughout the CDBG-DR grant process. Each grantee's Action Plan must include a Citizen Participation Plan which describes how the public will be informed and engaged throughout the grant's lifecycle.

- Prior to approval by the funding agency, the grantee's Action Plan for disaster recovery is posted for public comment. This allows citizens, affected local governments and other interested parties an opportunity to provide comments. All comments on the Action Plan or any substantial amendment, received orally or in writing, will be considered. Afterwards the approved Action Plan along with any changes or updates will be displayed on the grantee's disaster recovery web page.
- The details on each recovery program with links to all action plans, citizen participation requirements, performance reports, contracts, program availability, requirements and quarterly progress reports are available on the grantee's disaster recovery web page.
- Grantees may also provide information through electronic mailings, press releases, statements by public officials, media advertisements, public service announcements and neighborhood organizations to include those which perform outreach to populations disproportionately impacted by a disaster such as senior citizens, persons with disabilities and those with low and moderate incomes.

- All information must be available in an accessible format for persons with disabilities or Limited-English Proficiency (LEP) in languages appropriate for the geographic area served by the jurisdiction.

On January 14, 2023, President Joe Biden declared that a major disaster exists in the state of California and announced federal disaster assistance be made available to California to supplement state, tribal, and local recovery efforts in the areas affected by severe winter storms, straight-line winds, flooding, landslides, and mudslides.

On January 15, 2023, President Joe Biden declared that a major disaster exists in the state of Alabama and ordered federal aid to supplement state, tribal, and local recovery efforts in the areas affected by severe storms, straight-line winds, and tornadoes.

On January 12, 2023, President Joe Biden declared that a major disaster exists in the state of Georgia and ordered federal aid to supplement state and local recovery efforts in the areas affected by severe storms, straight-line winds, and tornadoes.

## Recipient Eligibility

Eligible recipients are state and local governments. The funding agency will notify eligible states, cities, and counties if they are eligible to receive CDBG-DR grants. The funding agency allocates funds based on unmet recovery needs. Those who receive grant money include state agencies, non-profit organizations, economic development agencies, citizens, and businesses.

## Funding

In FY 2023, approximately $138 million was allocated to provide additional help to communities recovering from three disasters in the states of California, Alabama, and Georgia.

Funding allocations were distributed as follows:

- Alabama – 4684: $10,403,000
- California – 4683: $115,022,000
- Georgia – 4685: $12,595,000

## Matching and Cost Sharing

Matching funds are not required for this program.

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GRANT PROFILE




**Department:** U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development
**Agency:** Office of Housing

# FY 2023 Green and Resilient Retrofit Program (GRRP) Leading Edge

## Grant Overview

The purpose of this program is to support U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD)-assisted multifamily housing by amplifying recent technological advancements in utility efficiency and energy generation, bringing a new focus on preparing for climate hazards by reducing residents' and properties' exposure to hazards, and protecting life, livability, and property when disaster strikes. Eligibility for this program is unrestricted.

## Program History

This is a new program through the Inflation Reduction Act.

## Key Information

**Total Funding:** $400 million
**Award Range:** up to $10 million
**Match:** Not required
**Solicitation Date**: May 11, 2023
**Proposal Due:** July 31, 2023

More information can be found here.

## Tips:

- Preference will be given to applicants that propose one or more partnerships with minority-serving educational institutions (MSIs), that have been historically underserved.

**Department:** U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development
**Agency:** Office of Housing

# FY 2023 Green and Resilient Retrofit Program (GRRP) Leading Edge

## Detailed Summary

The purpose of this program is to support U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD)-assisted multifamily housing by amplifying recent technological advancements in utility efficiency and energy generation, bringing a new focus on preparing for climate hazards by reducing residents' and properties' exposure to hazards, and protecting life, livability, and property when disaster strikes. In particular, this program will provide funding to applicants aiming to quickly meet ambitious carbon reduction, renewable energy generation, use of building materials with lower embodied carbon, and resilience goals without requiring extensive technical assistance from the funding agency. This program is designed to enable property owners to pursue high levels of energy efficiency, electrification, emissions reduction, climate resilience, and the use of low embodied carbon materials. Goals of the program overall include:

- Reducing energy and water use in HUD-assisted multifamily properties
- Making HUD-assisted multifamily properties more resilient to extreme weather events and natural disasters
- Reducing greenhouse gas emissions from HUD-assisted multifamily properties, both directly and by using materials with less embodied carbonAll projects must achieve one or more of the following objectives:
- Lower carbon emissions and improve energy and water efficiency
- Incorporate renewable energy use, where appropriate
- Further climate resilience to better withstand the impacts of natural hazard events and protect residents
- Reduce resident exposure to health risks and environmental hazards
- Improve the quality of HUD-assisted multifamily housing for residents
- Support long-term housing preservation through extended affordability requirements

Projects must also align with the applicable strategic goals and objectives of the funding agency's FY 2022-2026 Strategic Plan.

In addition, to the extent feasible, projects must:

- Substantially improve energy and water efficiency and reduce emissions, including moving properties toward net-zero, -zero ready, or -zero over time energy and emissions performance standards
- Address climate resilience, including synergies that can be achieved between efficiency, emissions reduction, and resilience investments
- Enhance indoor air quality and resident health
- Implement the use of zero-emission electricity generation and energy storage

- Minimize embodied carbon and incorporate low-emission building materials or processes
- Support building electrification

All projects must pursue one of the net-zero green certificationsfor the proposed property, and result in a reduction in energy consumption of at least 25 percent, unless the funding agency grants an exception in particularly extreme or compelling circumstances. The assisted units in the proposed property must constitute more than 50 percent of the total dwelling units in the property.

All work and transaction costs necessary to achieve the targeted energy consumption reduction and the qualifying net-zero green certification will be considered the scope of work.

All projects must serve properties in affordable housing communities that serve the lowest-income families and a disproportionate number of older adults and persons with disabilities. Applicants must ensure that persons and communities of color are equitably benefiting from project activities.. Preference will be given to applicants that propose one or more partnerships with minority-serving educational institutions (MSIs), that have been historically underserved.

## Applicant Eligibility

Eligibility for this program is unrestricted. Faith-based organizations are eligible to apply.

All applicants must meet the following requirements:

- Own a property that is assisted under one of the following forms of assistance contracts with the funding agency:
- Properties assisted by the project-based rental assistance (PBRA) housing assistance payments (HAP) contracts
- Properties assisted under Section 202 of the Housing Act of 1959 and Section 202 of the Housing Act of 1959
- Properties assisted under Section 811 of the Cranston-Gonzalez National Affordable Housing Act
- Properties assisted under Section 236 of the National Housing Act that are receiving Section 236 interest reduction payments (IRP)
- Have a signed purchase agreement, purchase option, or an agreement or option to enter into a long-term ground leasehold interest of more than 50 years for the property assisted under the programs listed above

All applicants must identify a proposed development team, including, at a minimum, an architect and any developer. The development team must meet the following criteria:

- Both the architect or a member of the architectural team and the owner, or affiliate of the owner, as applicable; developer; consultant; or general contractor must have worked on a project that successfully achieved one of the green certifications in the last ten years
- The owner or developer must have reached completion on at least three multifamily recapitalization transactions within the last five years using financing similar to that proposed for this program and which involved more than $60,000 per unit of hard construction costs
- All applicants must also meet the threshold requirements.

- Preference will be given to applicants that are designated as a minority-serving institution (MSI), or propose one or more partnerships with MSIs that have been historically underserved.An eligible property may not receive an award under more than one Green and Resilient Retrofit Program.

Applicants or any affiliates of an applicant may receive no more than 3 awards per application period for up to 12 awards in total through this program, unless there is funding remaining after funding all other qualified applications.Funding

- In FY 2023, approximately $400 million is available to support approximately 100 awards of up to $60,000 per unit or $10 million, whichever is less. Awards will be provided in the form of grants or loans repayable from surplus cash. In addition to the leading edge awards detailed above, applicants will also be eligible for the reimbursement of certain costs of utility benchmarking for up to $2,500 per property. The total funding available through this program will be allocated as follows:
- First application period: approximately $100 million will be available to support awards under this application period
- Second application period: approximately $100 million will be available to support awards under this application period
- Third application period: approximately $100 million will be available to support awards under this application period
- Fourth application period: any remaining funding will be available to support awards under this application period

In addition, the total funding available for each application period will be subject to the following diversity set-aside criteria:

- At least 5 percent of properties awarded will be located in each of the ten U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) regions
- At least 15 percent of properties awarded will be located in non-metropolitan areas based on the funding agency's Metropolitan Area Look-Up Tool, which can be found here.

Funds may be disbursed at the following milestones:

- Up to 30 percent of the total award amount may be disbursed after receipt and approval by the funding agency of the final closing docket
- Up to 50 percent of the total award amount may be disbursed after the award recipient achieves 50 percent construction completion, as certified by the architect
- Up to 75 percent of the total award amount may be disbursed after the award recipient achieves 75 percent construction completion, as certified by the architect
- Up to 90 percent of the total award amount may be disbursed after completion of construction at the property and the funding agency's receipt and approval of the completion certification package
- All remaining funds may be disbursed upon approval of the completion certification and receipt by the funding agency of evidence that the net-zero green certification has been secured or other documentation of completion of the scope of work

The project and budget period will last 36 months.

## Matching and Cost Sharing

Matching funds are not required for this program; however, applicants must cover the costs of property rehabilitation that are not covered through this program. The provision of cost sharing or leverage will not be considered during the application evaluation process.Contact Information

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GRANT PROFILE

**Department:** U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development
**Agency:** Office of Housing

# FY 2023 Green and Resilient Retrofit Program (GRRP): Elements

## Grant Overview

The purpose of this program is to support U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD)-assisted multifamily housing by amplifying recent technological advancements in utility efficiency and energy generation, bringing a new focus on preparing for climate hazards by reducing residents' and properties' exposure to hazards, and protecting life, livability, and property when disaster strikes. The Elements cohort provides modest awards designed to add proven and highly impactful climate resilience and carbon reduction measures to the construction scopes of in-progress recapitalization transactions. Eligibility for this program is limited to applicants that own a property that is assisted under select assistance contracts with the funding agency.

## Program History

This is a new program funded by the Inflation Reduction Act.

## Key Information and Tips

**Total Funding: $140,000,000**
**Award Range:** Up to $750,000
**Match:** Not required
**Solicitation Date**: May 11, 2023
**Proposal Due:** March 28, 2024

- An owner must select which cohort is most appropriate for any particular property and may submit an eligible property to only one of the cohorts available under the GRRP.

More information can be found here.

## Tips:

- All projects must serve properties in affordable housing communities that serve the lowest-income families and a disproportionate number of older adults and persons with disabilities.
- Preference will be given to applicants that are designated as a minority-serving institution (MSI) or propose one or more partnerships with MSIs that have been historically underserved.

**Department:** U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development
**Agency:** Office of Housing

# FY 2023 Green and Resilient Retrofit Program (GRRP): Elements

## Detailed Summary

The purpose of this program is to support U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD)-assisted multifamily housing by amplifying recent technological advancements in utility efficiency and energy generation, bringing a new focus on preparing for climate hazards by reducing residents' and properties' exposure to hazards, and protecting life, livability, and property when disaster strikes. The Elements cohort is designed to target eligible properties that are pursuing a recapitalization, but have not yet closed on financing, and have an opportunity to make these transactions greener and more climate resilient through targeted upgrades of specific building components. These awards, provided in the form of GRRP Grants or Surplus Cash Loans, will enable owners to include proven and highly impactful climate resilience, energy efficiency, and emission reduction measures in their construction scopes of work.

In particular, this program will provide funding to add proven and highly impactful climate resilience and carbon reduction measures to the construction scopes of in-progress recapitalization transactions. This program is designed to target eligible properties that are pursuing a recapitalization, but have not yet closed on financing, and have an opportunity to make these transactions greener and more climate resilient through targeted upgrades of specific building components. Goals of the funding agency's GRRP overall include:

- Reducing energy and water use in HUD-assisted multifamily properties
- Making HUD-assisted multifamily properties more resilient to extreme weather events and natural disasters
- Reducing greenhouse gas emissions from HUD-assisted multifamily properties, both directly and by using materials with less embodied carbon

All projects must achieve one or more of the following objectives:

- Lower carbon emissions and improve energy and water efficiency
- Incorporate renewable energy use, where appropriate
- Further climate resilience to better withstand the impacts of natural hazard events and protect residents
- Reduce resident exposure to health risks and environmental hazards
- Improve the quality of HUD-assisted multifamily housing for residents
- Support long-term housing preservation through extended affordability requirements

Projects must also align with the applicable strategic goals and objectives of the funding agency's FY 2022-2026 Strategic Plan. In addition, to the extent feasible, projects must:

- Substantially improve energy and water efficiency and reduce emissions, including moving properties toward net-zero, -zero ready, or -zero over time energy and emissions performance standards
- Address climate resilience, including synergies that can be achieved between efficiency, emissions reduction, and resilience investments

- Enhance indoor air quality and resident health
- Implement the use of zero-emission electricity generation and energy storage
- Minimize embodied carbon and incorporate low-emission building materials or processes
- Support building electrification

All projects must serve properties in affordable housing communities that serve the lowest-income families and a disproportionate number of older adults and persons with disabilities. Applicants must ensure that persons and communities of color are equitably benefiting from project activities, as detailed on pages 18-19 of the NOFA file. Preference will be given to applicants that propose one or more partnerships with minority-serving educational institutions (MSIs), that have been historically underserved.

Projects will be prioritized in the following order:

- Projects that provide a certification signed by the owner and the architect stating that the applicant has assembled financing to achieve one of the green certifications
- Projects that provide a certification from the architect stating that the proposed property will be fully electrified at completion of the rehabilitation or construction
- Projects that submit their Better Climate Challenge (BCC) sponsor's BCC partnership agreement for their portfolio
- Projects for properties that are located in a Priority Energy Community, as detailed online at *energycommunities.gov/priority-energy-communities*
- Projects that submit their Better Buildings Challenge (BBC) sponsor's BBC partnership agreement for the proposed property
- All other eligible projects

## Applicant Eligibility

Eligibility for this program is unrestricted. Faith-based organizations are eligible to apply. Eligibility is limited to applicants that own a property that is assisted under select assistance contracts with the funding agency.

All applicants must meet the following requirements:

- Own a property that is assisted under one of the following forms of assistance contracts with the funding agency:
    - Properties assisted by the project-based rental assistance (PBRA) housing assistance payments (HAP) contracts
    - Properties assisted under Section 202 of the Housing Act of 1959 and Section 202 of the Housing Act of 1959
    - Properties assisted under Section 811 of the Cranston-Gonzalez National Affordable Housing Act
    - Properties assisted under Section 236 of the National Housing Act that are receiving Section 236 interest reduction payments (IRP)
- Have a signed purchase agreement, purchase option, or an agreement or option to enter into a long-term ground leasehold interest of more than 50 years for the property assisted under the programs listed above
- Are the sponsor or owner of a property under development through the Section 202 or Section 811 Capital Advance programs and have not yet reached firm commitment

Unless the project consists of solely new construction, the applicant must have commissioned and received a capital needs assessment (CNA) of the proposed property within the past 24 months.

## Funding

In FY 2023, approximately $140 million is available to support approximately 200 awards of up to $40,000 per unit or $750,000 per property, whichever is less, through this program. In addition to the Elements awards, applicants will also be eligible for the reimbursement of certain costs of utility benchmarking for up to $2,500 per property.

The total funding available through this program will be allocated as follows:

- First application period: approximately $35 million will be available to support awards under this application period
- Second application period: approximately $35 million will be available to support awards under this application period
- Third application period: approximately $35 million will be available to support awards under this application period
- Fourth application period: any remaining funding will be available to support awards under this application period

In addition, the total funding available for each application period will be subject to the following diversity set-aside criteria:

- At least 5 percent of properties awarded will be located in each of the ten U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) regions
- At least 15 percent of properties awarded will be located in non-metropolitan areas based on the funding agency's Metropolitan Area Look-Up Tool, which can be found online at *www.huduser.gov/portal*

The project and budget period will last 36 months.

Applicants or any affiliates of an applicant may receive no more than 4 awards per application period for up to 16 awards in total through this program, unless there is funding remaining after funding all other qualified applications.

## Matching and Cost Sharing

Matching funds are not required for this program; however, applicants must cover the costs of property rehabilitation that are not covered through this program.

## Contact Information

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More information can be found here.

FEDERAL
GRANT PROFILE




**Department:** U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development
**Agency:** Office of Housing

# FY 2023 HUD Green and Resilient Retrofit Program (GRRP): Comprehensive Grants

## Grant Overview

The purpose of this program is to support U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD)-assisted multifamily housing by amplifying recent technological advancements in utility efficiency and energy generation, bringing a new focus on preparing for climate hazards by reducing residents' and properties' exposure to hazards, and protecting life, livability, and property when disaster strikes. The Comprehensive cohort provides funding to initiate recapitalization investments designed from inception around deep retrofits and focused on innovative energy efficiency and greenhouse gas emissions reductions, green and healthy housing measures, renewable energy generation, use of building materials with lower embodied carbon, and climate resilience investments. Eligibility is limited to applicants that own a property that is assisted under select assistance contracts with the funding agency.

## Program History

This is a new program through the Inflation Reduction Act.

## Key Information and Tips

**Total Funding:** $1.47 billion
**Award Range:** up to $20 million
**Match:** Cost of property rehabilitation not covered by GRPP funding
**Solicitation Date**: May 11, 2023
**Proposal Due:** May 30, 2024

More information can be found here.

## Tips:

- All projects must serve properties in affordable housing communities that serve the lowest-income families and a disproportionate number of older adults and persons with disabilities.
- Preference will be given to applicants that propose one or more partnerships with minority-serving educational institutions (MSIs), that have been historically underserved.

**Department:** U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development
**Agency:** Office of Housing

# FY 2023 HUD Green and Resilient Retrofit Program (GRRP): Comprehensive Grants

## Detailed Summary

The purpose of this program is to support U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD)-assisted multifamily housing by amplifying recent technological advancements in utility efficiency and energy generation, bringing a new focus on preparing for climate hazards by reducing residents' and properties' exposure to hazards, and protecting life, livability, and property when disaster strikes. The Comprehensive cohort provides funding to initiate recapitalization investments to initiate recapitalization investments designed from inception around deep retrofits and focused on innovative energy efficiency and greenhouse gas emissions reductions, green and healthy housing measures, renewable energy generation, use of building materials with lower embodied carbon, and climate resilience investments.
This program is designed to support a wide range of properties, including those that have not yet developed a recapitalization plan, as well as prioritize properties with high need for investments in energy efficiency, emissions reduction, and climate resilience. Goals of the funding agency's GRRP overall include:

- Reducing energy and water use in HUD-assisted multifamily properties
- Making HUD-assisted multifamily properties more resilient to extreme weather events and natural disasters
- Reducing greenhouse gas emissions from HUD-assisted multifamily properties, both directly and by using materials with less embodied carbon

All projects must achieve one or more of the following objectives:

- Lower carbon emissions and improve energy and water efficiency
- Incorporate renewable energy use, where appropriate
- Further climate resilience to better withstand the impacts of natural hazard events and protect residents
- Reduce resident exposure to health risks and environmental hazards
- Improve the quality of HUD-assisted multifamily housing for residents
- Support long-term housing preservation through extended affordability requirements

Projects must also align with the applicable strategic goals and objectives of the funding agency's FY 2022-2026 Strategic Plan. In addition, to the extent feasible, projects must:

- Substantially improve energy and water efficiency and reduce emissions, including moving properties toward net-zero, -zero ready, or -zero over time energy and emissions performance standards
- Address climate resilience, including synergies that can be achieved between efficiency, emissions reduction, and resilience investments
- Enhance indoor air quality and resident health
- Implement the use of zero-emission electricity generation and energy storage
- Minimize embodied carbon and incorporate low-emission building materials or processes
- Support building electrification

The funding agency will develop a recommended scope of work for discussion with the applicant, which will include the following targets for reductions in greenhouse gas emissions and energy consumption:

- Achieve at least a 40 percent or greater reduction in greenhouse gas emissions
- Achieve at least a 25 percent reduction in energy consumption, unless the funding agency grants an exception in particularly extreme or compelling circumstances

Applicants are encouraged to include integrative design approaches to maximize energy and emissions savings, climate resilience and resident comfort, and health and safety. The assisted units in the proposed property must constitute more than 50 percent of the total dwelling units in the property.

All projects must serve properties in affordable housing communities that serve the lowest-income families and a disproportionate number of older adults and persons with disabilities. Applicants must ensure that persons and communities of color are equitably benefiting from project activities. Preference will be given to applicants that propose one or more partnerships with minority-serving educational institutions (MSIs) that have been historically underserved.

## Applicant Eligibility

Eligibility for this program is unrestricted. Faith-based organizations are eligible to apply. Eligibility is limited to applicants that own a property that is assisted under select assistance contracts with the funding agency. All applicants must meet the following requirements:

- Own a property that is assisted under one of the following forms of assistance contracts with the funding agency:
    - Properties assisted by the project-based rental assistance (PBRA) housing assistance payments (HAP) contracts
    - Properties assisted under Section 202 of the Housing Act of 1959 and Section 202 of the Housing Act of 1959
    - Properties assisted under Section 811 of the Cranston-Gonzalez National Affordable Housing Act
    - Properties assisted under Section 236 of the National Housing Act that are receiving Section 236 interest reduction payments (IRP)
- Have a signed purchase agreement, purchase option, or an agreement or option to enter into a long-term ground leasehold interest of more than 50 years for the property assisted under the programs listed above

All applicants must identify a proposed development team, including, at a minimum, an architect and any developer. The development team must meet the following criteria:

- Both the architect or a member of the architectural team and the owner, or affiliate of the owner, as applicable; developer; consultant; or general contractor must have worked on a project that successfully achieved one of the green certifications in the last ten years
- The owner or developer must have reached completion on at least three multifamily recapitalization transactions within the last five years using financing similar to that proposed for this program and which involved more than $60,000 per unit of hard construction costs
- All applicants must also meet the threshold requirements.

- Preference will be given to applicants that are designated as a minority-serving institution (MSI), or propose one or more partnerships with MSIs that have been historically underserved. An eligible property may not receive an award under more than one Green and Resilient Retrofit Program.

Applicants or any affiliates of an applicant may receive no more than 3 awards per application period for up to 12 awards in total through this program, unless there is funding remaining after funding all other qualified applications.

## Funding

In FY 2023, an estimated $1.47 billion is available to support approximately 300 awards of up to $80,000 per unit or $20 million per property, whichever is less, through this program. Awards will be provided in the form of grants or loans repayable from surplus cash. In addition to the comprehensive awards detailed above, applicants will also be eligible for the reimbursement of certain costs of utility benchmarking for up to $2,500 per property, without regard to their ranking and selection for comprehensive award funding.
In limited circumstances, the funding agency may also provide an amortizing loan in addition to the comprehensive award in which the applicant may cover its cost-share obligations. The principal of the amortizing repayment loan will not exceed the lesser of either the required applicant contribution or $1 million.

The total funding available through this program will be allocated as follows:

- First application period - Due August 31, 2023: approximately $300 million will be available to support awards under this application period
- Second application period - Due November 30, 2023: approximately $325 million will be available to support awards under this application period
- Third application period - Due February 28, 2024: approximately $325 million will be available to support awards under this application period
- Fourth application period - Due May 30, 2024: any remaining funding will be available to support awards under this application period

In addition, the total funding available for each application period will be set aside as follows:

- At least 60 percent of the total available funding for each application period will be set aside for properties utilizing Portfolio Manager
- Up to 40 percent of the total available funding for each application period will be set aside for properties utilizing the Multifamily Building Efficiency Screening Tool (MBEST)

The total funding available for each application period will be also be subject to the following diversity set-aside criteria:

- At least 5 percent of properties awarded will be located in each of the ten U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) regions
- At least 15 percent of properties awarded will be located in non-metropolitan areas based on the funding agency's Metropolitan Area Look-Up Tool, which can be found online at *www.huduser.gov/portal*

Comprehensive awards will be disbursed as set forth in an escrow deposit agreement. Up to 80 percent of the total comprehensive award may be disbursed during the construction period. Remaining funds will be disbursed upon the funding agency's approval of the completion certification.

Costs for identified cost-share items are limited to 50 percent of the total award amount. Costs for identified high-impact GRRP-paid items are limited to 25 percent of the total award amount. Transaction costs are limited to 30 percent of the total award funding dedicated to cost-share items and high-impact GRRP-paid items. Project management costs are limited to 15 percent of the total award funding dedicated to cost-share items and high-impact GRRP-paid items.

The project and budget period will last 48 months.

## Matching and Cost Sharing

Applicants must cover costs of property rehabilitation that are not covered by funding provided through this program, including the full actual costs of identified owner-paid items as well as the partial costs for identified cost-share items, identified high-impact GRRP-paid items, and transaction costs that are not covered through this program.

## Contact Information

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FEDERAL
GRANT PROFILE

**Department:** U.S. Department of Justice
**Agency:** Office for Victims of Crime

# FY 2025 Emergency and Transitional Pet Shelter and Housing Assistance for Victims of Domestic Violence Program

## Grant Overview

This program provides funding for shelter and transitional housing and other assistance to victims of domestic violence and their companion animals. Under this program this includes pets, service animals, emotional support animals and horses. Eligible applicants are state and local governments, federally recognized Native American tribal governments, organizations that have a documented history of effective work concerning domestic violence, and any organization that works directly with pets, service animals, emotional support animals, or horses and collaborates with any organization listed above.

## Program History

| | Total Funding | # of Awards |
|---|---|---|
| 2024 | $3,000,000 | 7 |
| 2023 | $3,700,000 | 14 |
| 2022 | $2,698,521 | 12 |

## Key Information

**Total Funding:** $3 million
**Award Range:** Up to $500,000
**Match:** Not required
**Solicitation date:** July 22, 2025
**Proposal due:** August 15, 2025 (Grants.gov)
August 20, 2025 (JustGrants)

https://www.grants.gov/search-results-detail/360100

## Awardee Profile

House of Hope Pet Place
Ewa Beach, HI

AMOUNT: $400,000
YEAR: 2023

Child and Family Services (CFS) and House of Hope Pet Place received funding to modify their existing shelter and transitional housing. In addition, the project will have a Domestic Violence Specialist (DVS) position for case management, linkages to medical care, treatment, and pet training and transportation. The program has allocated funds to provide financial support to offset the visit cost if the survivor cannot.

**Department:** U.S. Department of Justice
**Agency:** Office for Victims of Crime

# FY 2025 Emergency and Transitional Pet Shelter and Housing Assistance for Victims of Domestic Violence Program

## Detailed Summary

This program provides funding for shelter and transitional housing and other assistance to victims of domestic violence and their companion animals. Under this program this includes pets, service animals, emotional support animals and horses. Grantees will make the housing and supportive services described above available to a victim for a period of not more than 24 months, which may be extended an additional 6 months if a victim has made a good faith effort to acquire permanent housing during that 24-month period but has been unable to do so. Program goals and objectives include:

Goal 1: to provide shelter and transitional housing to victims of domestic violence and their companion animals.

- Objective 1: Increase the number of shelter beds and transitional housing options to meet the needs of victims of domestic violence who need shelter or housing for themselves and their companion animals
- Objective 2: Provide assistance with expenses incurred for relocation or temporary shelter, housing, boarding, or fostering of the companion animals that are related to securing the safety of the animal(s)
- Objective 3: Locate and secure safe housing for a victim who is fleeing a situation of domestic violence and the victim's companion animal(s).
- Objective 4: Delivery of training for law enforcement, victim service providers and other stakeholders on the link between domestic violence and the abuse and neglect of animals, the needs of victims of domestic violence, best practices for providing support services to such victims, best practices for providing such victims with referrals to victim services, and the importance of confidentiality.
- Objective 5: Provide training for service providers on (1) the link between domestic violence and the abuse and neglect of companion animals; (2) the needs of victims of domestic violence; (3) best practices for providing or referring support services for such victims; and (4) best practices in designing and delivering services that protect victims' confidentiality.

Grantees will make the housing and supportive services described above available to a victim for a period of not more than 24 months, which may be extended an additional 6 months if a victim has made a good faith effort to acquire permanent housing during that 24-month period but has been unable to do so.

The funding agency will require grantees to submit regular performance reports communicating progress toward goals and objectives.

The funding agency will provide priority consideration to applicants proposing projects designed to advance the following:

- Directly supporting law enforcement operations (including immigration law enforcement operations)
- Combatting violent crime
- Supporting services to American citizens
- Protecting American children
- Supporting American victims of trafficking and sexual assault

## Applicant Eligibility

Eligible applicants are state governments, county governments, city or township governments, Native American tribal governments (federally recognized), other units of local government, domestic violence and sexual assault victim service providers; or organizations that work directly with pets, service animals, emotional support animals, or horses and collaborates with any organization listed previously.

## Funding

In FY 2025, approximately $3 million is available to support up to an estimated 10 awards through this program. The anticipated minimum award amount is $300,000 and the anticipated maximum award amount is $500,000.

Award notifications will occur by September 30, 2025. The project period of performance will last 36 months and begin no earlier than October 1, 2025.

## Matching and Cost Sharing

This funding opportunity does not require a match.

## Contact Information

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https://www.grants.gov/search-results-detail/360100

FEDERAL
GRANT PROFILE




**Department:** U.S. Department of Interior
**Agency:** Bureau of Land Management

# FY 2025 Bureau of Land Management Forest and Woodlands Resource Management

## Grant Overview

The purpose of this program is to maintain and improve the resilience of forest and woodland ecosystems to wildfire, insects, disease, and drought through density management using timber sales, stewardship agreements, and other agreements. Eligible applicants for this program include state, county, city, township, and tribal governments; nonprofit organizations; and private institutions of higher education.

## Program History

This is no program history available at this time.

## Key Information

**Total Funding:** $8,000,000
**Award Range:** $5,000 - $1,500,000
**Match:** Not required
**Solicitation date**: June 23, 2025
**Proposal due:** July 23, 2025

https://www.grants.gov/search-results-detail/359777

## Tips

Applicants are strongly encouraged to propose effective partnerships that share resources and expertise. In cases where applications receive equivalent scores, the ability to leverage resources through collaboration may serve as a tiebreaker.

# FY 2025 Bureau of Land Management Forest and Woodlands Resource Management

## Detailed Summary

The purpose of this program is to maintain and improve the resilience of forest and woodland ecosystems to wildfire, insects, disease, and drought through density management using timber sales, stewardship agreements, and other agreements. In addition, the program conducts reforestation on lands that have been impacted by high severity disturbances such as wildfire, insect epidemics, and drought to restore forest cover and functioning forest ecosystems.

Funded projects under this program will focus on high priority work such as activities that promote forest and woodland health, sustainable forest management, fire resiliency, biomass utilization, habitat conservation needs, insect, disease and fire recovery on public lands. These activities could include, but are not limited to: planting trees, pre-commercial and commercial thinning, salvage/sanitation forest treatments, control of competing vegetation, fuels reduction, riparian or upland restoration, project development and layout, planning analysis and document preparation needed in concert with or to carry out NEPA, Endangered Species Act or cultural clearances, data collection, and monitoring.

This announcement is primarily for Stewardship agreements and Tribal Forest Protection Act (TFPA). Priority activities under this announcement include preparation, administration, or implementation projects that treat forest and woodlands nationally (see following description):

1. One or more components of preparing a project (site surveys, environmental clearances, NEPA preparation, project layout, timber cruising, timber marking, boundary designation, and other tasks related to preparing a project).
2. One or more components of implementing or administering a project (conducting forest density management treatments, subcontracting, advertising for bid, awarding a subcontract or timber sale, subcontract performance inspection, and other tasks related to administering a project.
3. Activities to achieve Land Management Goals of the Stewardship authority (see Stewardship Manual for definition) or acres/ units of forest or woodland treatments conducted.

Proposals should support one or more of the strategic goals addressing how it effects the Bureau as a whole. Program Strategic Goals:

- Implement science-based forest restoration projects to improve forest health and resilience to wildfires, insects, disease, and drought.
- Sustainable harvest of forests and woodlands to produce a continuous supply of wood products and biomass for renewable energy.
- Salvage dead and dying timber to reduce fuels, in balance with the need for wildlife habitat, watershed function, and soil stability, while supporting local economies.

- Provide the public with commercial and personal use opportunities to harvest products such as firewood, Christmas trees, boughs, greenery, medicinal plants, fence posts, and pinyon pine nuts from forests and woodlands.
- Expedite the NEPA processes to accelerate forest ecosystem restoration.

All proposed projects submitted under this funding opportunity must state a benefit to the public and must address national effects across the Bureau crossing State Office boundaries.

## Applicant Eligibility

Eligible applicants for this program include state, county, city, township, and tribal governments; nonprofit organizations; and private institutions of higher education.

## Funding

In FY 2025, approximately $8,000,000 is available to support five awards ranging between $5,000 and $1,500,000 through this program. The expected award period will have a maximum span of five years, with an anticipated starting date of September 1, 2025.

## Matching and Cost-Sharing

Cost sharing or matching is not required for this program; however, a voluntary cost share is encouraged.

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https://www.grants.gov/search-results-detail/359777

FEDERAL
GRANT PROFILE

**Department:** U.S. Department of the Interior
**Agency:** National Park Service

# FY 2025 Emergency Supplemental Historic Preservation Fund (ESHPF) Preservation

## Grant Overview

The purpose of this program is to support recovery and related expenses for historic and cultural resources in areas impacted by natural disasters that have received a major disaster declaration pursuant to the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act. Eligible activities include program areas as defined by the National Historic Preservation Act focusing on physical preservation, administration, National Register, planning, survey and inventory, and review and compliance activities that meet the Secretary of the Interior's Standards and Guidelines for Archeology and Historic Preservation for needs associated with major disaster declarations in calendar years 2023 and/or 2024. Eligible applicants are state governments, county governments, city or township governments, special districts, independent school districts, institutions of higher education, Native American tribal governments, Native American tribal organizations, nonprofits, and private institutions of higher education.

## Program History

A program history is unavailable

## Key Information

**Total Funding:** 48 million
**Award Range:** $75,000 - $15 million
**Match:** Not required
**Solicitation date:** May 12, 2025
**Proposal due:** July 15, 2025

https://www.nps.gov/subjects/historicpreservationfund/disaster-recovery.htm

## Tips

- Matching funds are not required for this program; however, awards for pre-preservation projects should not exceed 20 percent of the estimated construction cost.

**Department:** U.S. Department of the Interior
**Agency:** National Park Service

# FY 2025 Emergency Supplemental Historic Preservation Fund (ESHPF) Preservation

## Detailed Summary

The purpose of this program is to support recovery and related expenses for historic and cultural resources in areas impacted by natural disasters that have received a major disaster declaration pursuant to the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act. Eligible activities include program areas as defined by the National Historic Preservation Act focusing on physical preservation, administration, National Register, planning, survey and inventory, and review and compliance activities that meet the Secretary of the Interior's Standards and Guidelines for Archeology and Historic Preservation for needs associated with major disaster declarations in calendar years 2023 and/or 2024. Funding will support projects in the following categories:

- Pre-preservation projects: projects may include the development of resource-specific architectural plans and specifications, historic structure reports, studies, and related surveys
- Preservation projects: physical preservation of a historic site to include historic districts, buildings, sites, structures, and objects; projects must comply with all applicable laws such as Section 106, Section 110, and the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), and execute a preservation agreement

Projects must substantially mitigate the threat and include steps to mitigate future risk. Repair and reconstruction of properties is permitted.

Resources must be listed in or determined eligible by the applicable State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) or Tribal Historic Preservation Office (THPO) for listing in the National Register of Historic Places, equivalent tribal register, or designated a National Historic Landmark, either individually or as contributing to a historic district. Projects not yet listed must prepare a nomination as part of the project. Activities related to nominating or amending National Register nominations for the subject resource(s) are eligible costs.

All project work must meet the Secretary of the Interior's Standards and Guidelines for Archaeology and Historic Preservation. All projects receiving repair assistance must enter into a preservation agreement/covenant/easement.

Eligible costs include:

- Administrative costs necessary to complete and administer the award
- Repair of properties
- Reconstruction of properties
- Accessibility improvements as needed for Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) or Architectural Barriers Act (ABA) access of the historical resource(s)
- Site security improvements
- Fire safety improvements

- Establishing/administering an easement/covenant for the property not held by a government preservation office
- Required audits or financial requests
- Production of a project sign
- Costs for public notice of grant opportunity
- Costs associated with required training or reporting
- Any other costs as determined eligible by the funding agency

## Applicant Eligibility

Eligible applicants are state governments, county governments, city or township governments, special districts, independent school districts, institutions of higher education, Native American tribal governments, Native American tribal organizations, nonprofits, and private institutions of higher education.

Applicants applying for funding to do work on, or to complete a National Register of Historic Places nomination for a resource(s) the applicant does not own, must obtain written permission from the owner to complete award-assisted work and execute a preservation easement or covenant.

## Funding

In FY 2025, approximately $48 million in funding is available to support an estimated 30 awards ranging from $75,000 - $15 million through this program. The project period is 3 years. Projects are expected to begin no earlier than March 31, 2026, and end on March 30, 2029. Projects must show substantial progress within one year of award. Extensions beyond the initial three-year period may be approved.

## Matching and Cost Sharing

Matching funds are not required for this program; however, awards for pre-preservation projects should not exceed 20 percent of the estimated construction cost.

## Contact Information

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https://www.nps.gov/subjects/historicpreservationfund/disaster-recovery.htm

FEDERAL
GRANT PROFILE

**Department:** U.S. Department of Interior
**Agency:** Bureau of Land Management

# FY 2025 IIJA/IRA Bureau of Land Management California Fuels Management and Community Fire Assistance

## Grant Overview

The purpose of this program is to assist with fuels management and community fire assistance program activities to reduce the risk and impact of catastrophic wildfires to local communities through coordination, reducing the amount of hazardous fuels, and furthering the education of landowners about wildfire prevention and mitigation. Eligible applicants for this program include state, local and tribal governments; special district governments; institutions of higher education; and nonprofit organizations.

## Program History

This is no program history available at this time.

## Key Information

**Total Funding:** $10,000,000
**Award Range:** $50,000 - $10,000,000
**Match:** Not required
**Solicitation date**: January 10, 2025
**Proposal due:** March 11, 2025

https://www.grants.gov/search-results-detail/358123

## Tips

- Before submitting an application, applicants are encouraged to consult with the BLM fuels and community fire assistance program lead at the relevant district or field office to discuss proposed projects and confirm their alignment with BLM priorities and eligibility criteria.

# FY 2025 IIJA/IRA Bureau of Land Management California Fuels Management and Community Fire Assistance

## Detailed Summary

The purpose of this program is to assist with fuels management and community fire assistance program activities to reduce the risk and impact of catastrophic wildfires to local communities through coordination, reducing the amount of hazardous fuels, and furthering the education of landowners about wildfire prevention and mitigation. These activities will assist in addressing the effects of climate change by working to create resilient landscapes and communities, create jobs, and further conservation and restoration efforts by providing an opportunity to support planning and implementation of hazardous fuels reduction projects in wildland urban interface (WUI) areas and education and outreach programs that help create fire-adapted communities and resilient landscapes.

The program's strategic goals are to:

- Accomplish fuels management activities on federal and nonfederal land
- Develop and implement fire education, training, and/or community action plans/programs
- Conduct community wildfire protection plans (CWPPs), community wildfire assessments, and planning activities
- Expand community capability to enhance local employment opportunities
- Develop and implement short- and long-term monitoring and maintenance plans for hazardous fuels reduction, community fire education and training, and community action programs
- Projects must also assist the funding agency in meeting one or more of the agency's priorities, as well as one of the priorities of the Biden-Harris Administration including:
- Tackling climate change (Executive Order 14008),
- Advancing racial equity (Executive Order 13985),
- Promoting economic recovery and local manufacturing (Executive Orders 14002 and 14005).

All projects must demonstrate a public benefit and support BLM’s conservation and stewardship goals while adhering to the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and other applicable guidelines. These efforts further the Interior Department’s commitment to streamlined processes and effective, on-the-ground conservation work.

## Applicant Eligibility

Eligible applicants for this program include state, county, city, and township governments; special district governments; public and state-controlled institutions of higher education; federally recognized Native American tribal governments; and Native American tribal organizations other than federally recognized tribal governments. Nonprofit organizations with or without 501(c)(3) status (excluding institutions of higher education) and private institutions of higher education are also eligible to apply.

## Funding

In FY 2025, approximately $10,000,000 is available to support awards ranging between $50,000 and $10,000,000 through this program. Recipients should anticipate significant involvement from BLM in the project.

## Matching and Cost-Sharing

Cost sharing or matching is not required for this program.

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GRANT PROFILE

**Department:** U.S. Department of Interior
**Agency:** Office of Wildland Fire (OWF)

# FY 2025 Slip-on Tanker Units

## Grant Overview

This program provides funding and authorizes the U.S Department of the Interior (DOI) to develop and implement a pilot program to provide local governments with financial assistance to acquire slip-on tanker units to establish fleets of vehicles that can be quickly converted to be operated as fire engines. Eligible applicants are states, local governments, special district governments, school districts, intrastate districts, council of governments, and any other agency or instrumentality of a multi-, regional, or intra-state or local government.

## Program History

Award history is not available for this program.

## Key Information

**Total Funding:** $20 million
**Award Range:** $10,000 - $500,000
**Match:** Not required
**Solicitation date**: December 3, 2024
**Proposal due:** February 26, 2025

https://grants.gov/search-results-detail/357507

## Tips:

Applications can be single entry where (1) entity is applying for a slip-on tanker unit(s) to be used in their area of protection and service location. A consolidated application is where (1) entity is applying for slip-on tanker unit(s) on behalf of two (2) or more entities whereby each entity represented would have a separate area of protection and service.

**Department:** U.S. Department of Interior
**Agency:** Office of Wildland Fire (OWF)

# FY 2025 Slip-on Tanker Units

## Detailed Summary

Climate change is driving the devastating intersection of extreme heat, drought and wildland fire danger across the United States, creating wildfires that move with a speed and intensity previously unseen, This has created conditions in which wildfires overwhelm response capabilities, resulting in billions of dollars in economic losses, damage to natural resources, devastation to communities and the tragic loss of life.

The Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act, also known as BIL, enacted in November of 2021, provides funding to local governments to acquire slip-on tanker units to support wildland firefighters.

Slip-on units shall have a minimum dimension of 78 inches long by 48 inches wide. The fully loaded weight of the completed unit shall not exceed the gross vehicle weight ratio of the host chassis. All fasteners and adjustable plumbing brackets used shall be stainless steel. All tubing shall use metal fittings, rated to 500 pounds per square inch and require no special tools.

The pump shall be capable of delivering the minimum performance requirements from the tank and at a 5ft lift through 24 ft of 1.5-inch suction hose and suction strainer. The pump, when dry, shall be capable of taking suction and discharging water in compliance with National Fire Protection Association 1900.

## Applicant Eligibility

Eligible applicants are states, local governments, special district governments, school districts, intrastate districts, council of governments, and any other agency or instrumentality of a multi-, regional, or intra-state or local government. Eligibility is restricted to U.S local governments that provide fire protection and other emergency services and need slip-on tankers to improve the wildland firefighting readiness for their area of protection and service location with populations of 50,000 or less. *Use the Wildfire Risk to Communities dashboard found at DOI SOT Grant Data Center (wildfirerisk.org) to determine population size.* Communities must also have at least moderate wildfire risk defined as >40th percentile in the national Wildfire Risk to Homes dataset of the Wildfire Risk to Communities dashboard found at DOI SOT Grant Data Center (wildfirerisk.org).

## Funding

In FY 2025, an estimated $20 million is available to support approximately 80 awards ranging from $10,000 to $500,000 through this program. An estimated 75-125 awards are anticipated from this solicitation. The actual number of awards will depend on the number of meritorious applications and the availability of appropriated funds. Up to 25 awards will be reserved for consolidated applications.

## Matching and Cost Sharing

Matching funds are not required for this program.

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FEDERAL
GRANT PROFILE

**Department:** U.S. Department of the Interior

**Agency:** U.S. Geological Survey

# FY 2025 USGS Cooperative Landslide Hazard Mapping and Assessment Program

## Grant Overview

The purpose of this program is to support communication, planning, coordination, mapping, assessments, and data collection of landslide hazards. Eligible applicants include state, Tribal, territorial, and local governments. State geologic surveys or other state offices organized under a university system are also eligible.

## Program History

| | Total Funding | # of Awards |
|---|---|---|
| 2024 | $1 million | 9 |

## Key Information and Tips

**Total Funding:** $1 million
**Award Range:** $10,000 - $250,000
**Match:** Not Required
**Solicitation Date**: September 25, 2024
**Proposal Due:** January 15, 2025

- Funding prioritization is given to projects with at least 50 percent matched by non-Federal sources

https://www.usgs.gov/programs/landslide-hazards/science/external-grants-overview

## Awardee Profile

North Dakota Geological Survey
Bismark, ND

AMOUNT: $10,000
YEAR: 2024

North Dakota Geological Survey was awarded funding to develop Phase III of its landslide inventory: mapping active landslides in the Belfield Quadrangle.

**Department:** U.S. Department of the Interior

**Agency:** U.S. Geological Survey

# FY 2025 USGS Cooperative Landslide Hazard Mapping and Assessment Program

## Detailed Summary

The purpose of this program is to support communication, planning, coordination, mapping, assessments, and data collection of landslide hazards. The program requests applicants address risk reduction activities that aim to advance landslide science and communication that underlie the priorities of the National Landslide Preparedness Act by focusing on landslide hazard planning, coordination, education, outreach, mapping, and assessments. These risk reduction activities, called Guidance Criteria, reflect the National Landslide Preparedness Act and the National Strategy for Landslide Loss Reduction, which support the mission of the Landslides Hazards Program to reduce loss of lives and property from landslides and improve public safety and community resilience.

Proposals submitted to this grant program must address at least one of the following Guidance Criteria:

1. Landslide Hazard Mapping and Assessment, which may include:
    - Landslide inventory, susceptibility, runout, exposure, and risk modeling for a region, municipality, or other defined area within the applicant's jurisdictional responsibility.
    - Landslide event database creation that describes spatial and temporal information related to storm events, earthquakes, or other regional landslide events.
    - Assessments to improve our understanding of landslide behavior, including where landslides will initiate and where debris could travel after an event.
    - A study of the influence of land use and land management practices on landslide likelihood and magnitude.
    - Development of best practices and tools for landslide mapping in collaboration and coordination with state, Tribal, territorial, Federal, and local governments.
    - Collecting and analyzing loss data from landslides.
2. Planning and Coordination. The funding agency seeks to fund ways to improve planning and coordination among research, private industry, land management, and emergency management communities, as well as across various levels of government to ensure that the right information is in the right hands at the right time. Such coordination includes workforce development through professional training, improving and standardizing linkages between landslide hazard science and operational entities responsible for providing watches and warnings, evacuation planning, and communication strategies. Formalizing roles and responsibilities for landslide response and research, as well as increasing coordination, will streamline landslide hazard responses and can result in improved short- and long-term outcomes to protect lives, property, infrastructure, and the environment.
3. Education and Outreach. Delivering the best available scientific information in an accessible manner that is tailored to the scale and intent of the decisions and actions of its users. Proposal topics may include:

- Development of materials promoting landslide education, outreach, and engagement to the public.
- Provide collaborative engagement opportunities (workshops, trainings, etc.) for specialists and practitioners that facilitate addressing important challenges, such as: landslide hazard mitigation, response, preparedness, resilience, or similar.
- Advance coordination of messaging across multiple agencies by examining resources for education, crowdsourcing, and emergency management tools, for disseminating landslide information, landslide hazard products, and landslide emergency response.
- Engage user communities to assess the efficacy of existing landslide products and elicit their suggestions for improvements and new products.
- Develop new tools and products for increasing awareness of landslide hazards within the public and targeted user groups, such as emergency responders, public utilities, risk managers, decision makers, developers, and engineers.
- Develop approaches for providing landslide hazard information needed for risk assessments, and landslide mitigation and response planning to decision makers, emergency responders, and the public, particularly that cross local, state, Tribal, and territorial boundaries, and various levels of government.
- Develop landslide preparedness curricula and training modules for the public and for government officials including utility workers, planners and emergency, land, resources, and infrastructure.

## Applicant Eligibility

Eligible applicants include state, Tribal, territorial, and local governments. A university may submit a proposal on behalf of a state geological survey or other state office if that office is organized under a university system.

## Funding

In FY 2025, an estimated $1 million will be awarded to approximately 10 competitive Risk Reduction Proposals ranging from $10,000 to $250,000. The expected award date is May 1, 2025.

All projects must propose start dates between May 1, 2025, and September 30, 2025, to be eligible for funding. Applicants must indicate if the proposed start date is fixed or flexible based on the activities (e.g., field work) of the proposal.

Projects submitted for funding under this opportunity will have a period of performance of one year. However, if the proposed work is such that two years are required to complete the project, then a two-year proposal is appropriate and can be submitted.

## Matching and Cost Share

This program does not have a match or cost share requirement. However, funding prioritization is given to projects for which at least 50 percent of the total cost of the project is matched by non-Federal sources (i.e., state, local, non-governmental, Tribal, territorial, or private).

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GRANT PROFILE




**Department:** U.S. Department of Interior
**Agency:** Bureau of Reclamation

# FY 2025 WaterSMART Drought Response Program Drought Resiliency Project Grants

## Grant Overview

The WaterSMART Drought Response Program supports a proactive approach to drought by providing financial assistance to develop and update comprehensive drought plans and implement projects that will build long-term resilience to drought. Eligible applicants are states, tribes, irrigation districts, water districts, and other state, regional, or local authorities with water or power delivery authority located in the Western United States, as well as nonprofit conservation organizations working in partnership with the entities listed above.

## Program History

| | Total Funding | # of Awards |
|---|---|---|
| 2024 | $147.6 million | 42 |
| 2023 | $84 million | 36 |
| 2022 | $20.5 million | 13 |

## Key Information

**Total Funding:** Unspecified
**Award Range:** Varies by category
**Match:** 50 percent
**Solicitation date**: July 24, 2024
**Proposal due:** October 7, 2024

https://www.usbr.gov/drought/

## Awardee Profile

City of Gallup, New Mexico

AMOUNT: $9.5 million
YEAR: 2024

The City of Gallup received funding to construct a new well for potable water supplies to provide water to the city, the Navajo Nation, and parts of McKinley County.

**Department:** U.S. Department of Interior
**Agency:** Bureau of Reclamation

# FY 2025 WaterSMART Drought Response Program Drought Resiliency Project Grants

## Detailed Summary

The WaterSMART Drought Response Program supports a proactive approach to drought by providing financial assistance to develop and update comprehensive drought plans and implement projects that will build long-term resilience to drought. This program will support projects that that can increase water management flexibility and reliability to help entities prepare for and address the impacts of drought and water supply shortages.

Projects that may be funded under this program are divided into four task areas:

- Task A: Increasing the reliability of water supplies through infrastructure improvements, including:
    - System modifications or improvements
        - Constructing or modifying surface water intakes to access supplies when water levels are low (e.g., at dead pool), or to allow access at different locations.
        - Constructing new conveyance system components (pipelines, canals, pumping plants, etc.) to increase flexibility to deliver water from different sources, to facilitate voluntary water marketing or to deliver water from alternative sources.
        - Constructing interties between water conveyance systems to increase options for water deliveries.
        - Installing barriers or other facilities to prevent saltwater intrusion into surface supplies.
    - Storing water and/or recharging groundwater supplies
        - Developing or expanding small-scale surface water storage facilities such as off-stream storage ponds.
        - Installing water towers and storage tanks to store water for municipal and domestic use.
        - Installing recharge ponds or injection wells to increase recharge of surplus, inactive, or reclaimed water. Recharged water can serve multiple purposes such as sustainable conjunctive use in times of drought, deterring saltwater.
    - Developing alternate sources of water supply including water treatment
        - Constructing or expanding small-scale water treatment facilities to treat impaired groundwater, municipal wastewater, stormwater runoff, for environmental, agricultural, or potable purposes.
        - Constructing stormwater capture and reuse systems, including green stormwater infrastructure solutions such as rain gardens, cisterns, and bioswales
        - Installing residential grey water and rain catchment systems.
- Task B: Increasing the reliability of water supplies through groundwater through:
    - Constructing wells to provide back-up water supplies during times of drought.

    - Constructing extraction wells at groundwater banks or other recharge areas to improve extraction and return capabilities during dry years.
    - Constructing an aquifer storage and recovery well.
    - Treating impaired groundwater for beneficial use.
- Task C: Improving water management through decision support tools, modeling, and measurement, including:
    - Developing water management and modeling tools to help communities evaluate options and implement strategies to address drought.
    - Installing water measurement equipment and monitoring instrumentation devices to accurately track water supply conditions.
- Task D: Construction of domestic water supply projects of which the primary purpose is to provide domestic water supplies to Tribal or disadvantaged communities that do not have reliable access to water supplies. This can include the development of new supplies and/or associated infrastructure for treatment and delivery.

Proposed projects must include activities beyond routine water management required by state law for conservation and efficiency and must have ongoing benefits to build long-term resilience to drought. In addition, projects should help avoid the need for emergency response actions, such as water hauling programs and temporary infrastructure. Applicants must also demonstrate that the proposed project is supported by an existing drought planning effort.

## Applicant Eligibility

Eligible applicants are states, tribes, irrigation districts, water districts, and other state, regional, or local authorities with water or power delivery authority. Applicants must be located in the western U.S., which includes the states and territories of Arizona, California, Colorado, Idaho, Kansas, Montana, Nebraska, Nevada, New Mexico, North Dakota, Oklahoma, Oregon, South Dakota, Texas, Utah, Washington, Wyoming, American Samoa, Guam, the Northern Mariana Islands, and the Virgin Islands. Additionally, nonprofit conservation organizations that are acting in partnership and with the agreement of an entity described above are eligible.

Applicants may seek funding under one application for multiple project components that include one or a combination of tasks if the project components are interrelated or closely related (e.g., a project to construct a new storage and conveyance system [Task A] coupled with a decision support tool for operation of the system [Task C]). However, if the projects are only loosely related, separate applications need to be submitted.

## Funding

In FY 2025, an unspecified amount of funding is available to support an estimated 20-40 awards through this program. Awards are provided through separate funding groups:

For Categories A through C:

- Group I: Up to $750,000 will be available for projects generally completed within two years
- Group II: Up to $3,000,000 will be available for projects completed within three years and funded on an annual basis, contingent upon future appropriations

Category A entities are limited to a total of $3,000,000. Category B applicants may be considered for multiple awards up to a total of $15,000,000, if the Category A partners are different for each project selected

For Category D:

- Up to $10,000,000 will be available for the construction of domestic water supply projects for Tribes or disadvantaged communities that do not have reliable access to water supplies and will be completed within three years

The anticipated award date is September 1, 2025.

## Matching and Cost-Share

Applicants applying for funding under Tasks A-C must be capable of cost sharing 50 percent or more of the total project costs. Applicants applying for funding through Task D must provide a five percent cost-share of the total project's costs.

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FEDERAL
GRANT PROFILE

**Department:** U.S. Department of Interior
**Agency:** Bureau of Reclamation

# FY 2023-2024 WaterSMART Planning and Project Design Grants

## Grant Overview

The purpose of this program is to provide funding for collaborative planning and design projects to support water management improvements. Water Strategy Grants and Project Design Grants eligible applicants are divided into two categories. Category A applicants are states, Tribes, irrigation districts, and water districts; State, regional, or local authorities, the members of which include one or more organizations with water or power delivery authority; and other organizations with water or power delivery authority. Category B applicants are nonprofit conservation organizations that are acting in partnership with, and with the agreement of, an entity described in Category A. Drought Contingency Planning eligible applicants are a state, Tribe, irrigation district, water district, or other organization with water or power delivery.

## Program History

This is a new program.

## Key Information

**Total Funding:** $35 million
**Award Range:** Varies by project type up to $400,000
**Match:** up to 50 percent
**Solicitation date**: August 7, 2023
**Proposal due:** This NOFO covers two application submittal periods. Proposals received before October 17, 2023 will be considered for FY 2023 funding. Proposals received after October 17, 2023 and before April 2, 2024 will be considered for FY 2024 funding.

More information can be found here.

## Tips

- Note that funding to develop a water marketing strategy – formerly funded through Water Marketing Strategy Grants, a stand-alone funding opportunity under WaterSMART - is now available through Water Strategy Grants.
- In exceptional circumstances and upon request of the applicant, Reclamation may reduce or waive the non-Federal cost share requirement, if an overwhelming Federal interest and a significant financial need are identified.

**Department:** U.S. Department of Interior
**Agency:** Bureau of Reclamation

# FY 2023-2024 WaterSMART Planning and Project Design Grants

## Detailed Summary

The purpose of this program is to provide funding for collaborative planning and design projects to support water management improvements. This includes funding for:

- **Water Strategy Grants**: Projects to conduct planning activities to improve water supplies (e.g., water supplies to disadvantaged communities that do not have reliable access to water, water marketing, water conservation, drought resilience, and ecological resilience).
- **Project Design Grants:** Projects to conduct project-specific design for projects to improve water management or water supplies
- **Drought Contingency Planning:** Proposals to develop a new or update an existing Drought Contingency Plan

## Applicant Eligibility

Eligible applicants are broken down as follows:

Water Strategy Grants and Project Design Grants

- **Category A applicants**: States, Tribes, irrigation districts, and water districts; State, regional, or local authorities, the members of which include one or more organizations with water or power delivery authority; and other organizations with water or power delivery authority. All applicants must be located in one of the following States or territories: Alaska, Arizona, California, Colorado, Hawaii, Idaho, Kansas, Montana, Nebraska, Nevada, New Mexico, North Dakota, Oklahoma, Oregon, South Dakota, Texas, Utah, Washington, Wyoming, American Samoa, Guam, the Northern Mariana Islands, the Virgin Islands, and Puerto Rico.
- **Category B applicants**: Nonprofit conservation organizations that are acting in partnership with, and with the agreement of, an entity described in Category A. All Category B applicants must be located in the United States or the specific territories identified above. Category B applicants must include with their application a letter from the Category A partner stating that the Category A partner:
    - is acting in partnership with the applicant;
    - agrees to the submittal and content of the application;
    - and intends to participate in the project in some way, for example, by providing input, feedback, or other support for the project.

Drought Contingency Planning

- A State, Tribe, irrigation district, water district, or other organization with water or power delivery in one of the following states or territories: Arizona, California, Colorado, Hawaii, Idaho, Kansas, Montana, Nebraska, Nevada, New Mexico, North Dakota, Oklahoma, Oregon, South Dakota, Texas,

Utah, Washington, Wyoming, American Samoa, Guam, the Northern Mariana Islands, or the Virgin Islands.

## Funding

For FY 2023 and FY 2024, approximately $35 million is available to support an estimated 60-70 awards through this program. Awards are provided through two separate funding groups:

- Water Strategy and Project Design Grants:
  - Maximum Award: $400,000.00
  - Minimum Award: $100,000.00
- Drought Contingency Planning:
  - Maximum Award: $400,000.00
  - Minimum Award: $25,000.00

Project awards for Water Strategy Grants and Project Design Grants will be made through grants or cooperative agreements as applicable to each project. Project awards for Drought Contingency Planning will be made through cooperative agreements.

## Matching and Cost Sharing

Applicant cost-share requirements for projects will depend on the project type as follows:

- Water Strategy Grants and Project Design Grants: Applicants must be capable of cost sharing 25 percent or more of the total project costs.
- For all other projects, applicants must be capable of cost sharing 50 percent or more of the total project costs.
- Drought Contingency Plans: In exceptional circumstances and upon request of the applicant, Reclamation may reduce or waive the non-Federal cost share requirement, if an overwhelming Federal interest and a significant financial need are identified.
- Proposals for the planning or design of projects the purpose of which is to provide domestic water supplies to disadvantaged communities may be eligible for 0% nonfederal cost share

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FEDERAL
GRANT PROFILE




**Department:** U.S. Department of Transportation
**Agency:** Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration

# FY 2025 Pipeline Emergency Response Grant (PERG)

## Grant Overview

This program aims to promote the safe transportation of hazardous materials by equipping emergency responders with the training needed to address pipeline incidents effectively. The program's objective is to empower trained responders to safeguard individuals, property, and the environment from the impacts of pipeline accidents or hazardous material transportation incidents. Eligible applicants are state, county, and local governments.

## Program History

| | Total Funding | # of Awards |
|---|---|---|
| 2024 | $2,436,662 | 17 |

## Key Information and Tips

**Total Funding:** $3,202,331
**Award Range:** Up to $250,000
**Match:** Not required
**Solicitation date**: January 6, 2025
**Proposal due:** March 3, 2025

- Questions must be submitted by February 27, 2025

https://www.phmsa.dot.gov/about-phmsa/working-phmsa/grants/pipeline/pipeline-emergency-response-grant-perg

## Awardee Profile

East Central Florida Planning Council, FL

AMOUNT: $245,000
YEAR: 2024

PERG funding will enhance the region’s preparedness and response capabilities for pipleline-related emergencies, thereby improving public safety and environmental protection.

**Department:** U.S. Department of Transportation
**Agency:** Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration

# FY 2025 Pipeline Emergency Response Grant

## Detailed Summary

This program is designed to enhance the safe transportation of hazardous materials by providing training to emergency responders to effectively manage pipeline incidents. The program's primary goal is to equip responders with the skills necessary to protect individuals, property, and the environment from the impacts of pipeline accidents or incidents involving hazardous material transportation. The program emphasizes incident response activities related to the transportation of gas or hazardous liquids through pipelines in High Consequence Areas (HCAs), which include:

- Commercially Navigable Waterways where a substantial likelihood of commercial navigation exits.
- High population areas, which are urbanized areas, as defined by the Census Bureau, with populations of 50,000 or more and densities of at least 1,000 people per square mile.
- Another populated areas, which are places, as defined by the Census Bureau, that contain a concentrated population, such as incorporated or unincorporated cities, towns, or villages, or other designated residential or commercial area.
- Unusually Sensitive Areas (USAs, as defined in 49 CFR § 195.6.

- Examples of eligible activities include:

- Pipeline Emergency Response Planning, Training, and Exercises: Activities must focus specifically on pipeline emergency response. Training unrelated to pipeline emergencies, such as general HAZMAT certification or refresher courses, will be deemed ineligible.
- Development and Delivery of PHMSA's Pipeline Emergency Responder Initiative (PERI) Program: This includes creating and conducting training under the PERI framework.
- Pipeline Leak Recognition and Release Evacuation Training: Training to identify pipeline leaks and implement appropriate evacuation procedures.
- Development and Maintenance of Pipeline Training Curriculum: Includes creating, updating, and sustaining educational materials specific to pipeline emergency response.
- Training Props, Equipment, and Supplies: Requests must pertain exclusively to pipeline emergency response. Equipment or supplies not directly related to pipeline emergency response will be considered ineligible.

Priority will be given to projects that address transportation insecurity, defined as the inability of individuals to access reliable, safe, and affordable transportation to meet their daily needs. This may result from high transportation costs, limited access, or insufficient safe transportation options. Applicants should consider how their proposed project will enhance safety when identifying and planning activities.

## Applicant Eligibility

Eligible applicants are state, county, and local governments.

## Funding

In FY 2025, approximately $3,202,331 is anticipated to be available to support awards of up to $250,000 through this program.

Award recipients may request up to 50 percent of the total award amount upon execution of the award agreement. The remaining amount may be requested upon receipt and approval by the funding agency of the mid-term progress report.

The project period may last up to 24 months.

## Matching and Cost Sharing

Matching funds are not required for this program.

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FEDERAL
GRANT PROFILE




**Department:** U.S. Department of Transportation
**Agency:** Federal Highway Administration

# FY 2024-2026 Promoting Resilient Operations for Transformative, Efficient, and Cost-Saving Transportation

## Grant Overview

The Promoting Resilient Operations for Transformative, Efficient, and Cost-Saving Transportation (PROTECT) Program provides funding for projects that address the climate crisis by improving the resilience of the surface transportation system, including highways, public transportation, ports, and intercity passenger rail. Eligible applicants include states, political subdivisions of a state and local governments, metropolitan planning organizations (MPOs), a special purpose district or public authority with a transportation function, including a port authority, Indian tribes, a Federal land management agency that applies jointly with a State or group of States, and a multi-State or multijurisdictional group of entities.

## Program History

| | Total Funding | # of Awards |
|---|---|---|
| 2022/2023 | $830 million | 980 |

## Key Information

**Total Funding:** $876 million
**Award Range:** Varies
**Match:** Varies
**Solicitation date**: October 25, 2024
**Proposal due:** February 24, 2025 (Round 1), February 25, 2026 (Round 2)

https://www.grants.gov/search-results-detail/356840

## Awardee Profile

City of Philadelphia, PA

**Amount:** $14 million
**Year:** 2022

The City of Philadelphia received funding to rehabilitate two deteriorating bridges over Wissahickon Creek in Northwest Philadelphia. Built in the 1800s, the Bells Mill Road and Valley Green Road bridges provide access to Wissahickon Valley Park, a noteworthy natural destination in the city that experiences frequent flooding. Improvements also include the creation and restoration of wetlands.

**Department:** U.S. Department of Transportation
**Agency:** Federal Highway Administration

# FY 2024-2026 Promoting Resilient Operations for Transformative, Efficient, and Cost-Saving Transportation

## Detailed Summary

The purpose of this program is to address the climate crisis by improving the resilience of the surface transportation system, including highways, public transportation, ports, and intercity passenger rail. The program aims to make transportation infrastructure and service more resilient to climate change and extreme weather events, reduce damage and disruption to the transportation system, improve the safety of the traveling public, and improve equity by addressing the needs of disadvantaged communities that are often the most vulnerable to hazards.

Projects should support the continued operation or rapid recovery of crucial local, regional, or national surface transportation facilities. Furthermore, selected projects should utilize innovative and collaborative approaches to risk reduction, including the use of natural infrastructure, which is explicitly eligible under the program. Also called nature-based solutions, these strategies include conservation, restoration, or construction of riparian and streambed treatments, marshes, wetlands, native vegetation, stormwater bioswales, breakwaters, reefs, dunes, parks, urban forests, and shade trees. They reduce flood risks, erosion, wave damage, and heat impacts while also creating habitat, filtering pollutants, and providing recreational benefits.

There are four categories through this program:

- Planning Grants - may be used to develop Resilience Improvement Plans for States and MPOs; resilience planning, predesign, design, or the development of data tools to simulate transportation disruption scenarios, including vulnerability assessments; technical capacity building to facilitate the ability of the eligible entity to assess the vulnerabilities of its surface transportation assets and community response strategies under current conditions and a range of potential future conditions; or evacuation planning and preparation.
- Resilience Improvement Grants - may be used to improve the ability of an existing surface transportation asset to withstand one or more elements of a weather event or natural disaster, or to increase the resilience of surface transportation infrastructure from the impacts of changing conditions, such as sea level rise, flooding, wildfires, extreme weather events (including heat waves), and other natural disasters.
- Community Resilience and Evacuation Route Grants - may be used for activities that strengthen and protect evacuation routes that are essential for providing and supporting evacuations caused by emergency events including activities that will improve evacuation routes, provide safe passage during an evacuation, and reduce the risk of damage to evacuation routes as a result of future emergency events. For routes that inadequately facilitate evacuations, including the transportation of emergency responders and recovery resources, activities include expanding capacity through installation of communication and intelligent transportation system equipment and infrastructure,

counterflow measures, or shoulders, in addition to constructing new or redundant evacuation routes, acquiring evacuation route or traffic incident management equipment or signage, or ensuring access or service to critical destinations, including hospitals and other medical or emergency services facilities, major employers, critical manufacturing centers, ports and intermodal facilities, utilities, and Federal facilities.

- At-Risk Coastal Infrastructure Grants - may be used for activities to strengthen, stabilize, harden, elevate, relocate or otherwise enhance the resilience of highway and non-rail infrastructure, including: bridges, roads, pedestrian walkways, and bicycle lanes, and associated infrastructure, such as culverts and tide gates to protect highways that are subject to, or face increased long-term future risks of, a weather event, a natural disaster, or changing conditions, including coastal flooding, coastal erosion, wave action, storm surge, or sea level rise, in order to improve transportation and public safety and to reduce costs by avoiding larger future maintenance or rebuilding costs.

By funding projects that improve resilience to natural hazards and climate change impacts, the program aims to reduce damage and disruption to the transportation system, improve the safety of the traveling public, and improve equity by addressing the needs of disadvantaged communities that are often the most vulnerable to hazards.

## Applicant Eligibility

Eligible applicants include states, political subdivisions of a state and local governments, metropolitan planning organizations, a special purpose district or public authority with a transportation function, Indian tribes, a Federal land management agency that applies jointly with a State or group of States, and a multi-State or multijurisdictional group of entities.

Applicants pursuing funding under the "At-Risk Coastal Infrastructure Grants" category must be located in a state bordering on, the Atlantic, Pacific, or Arctic Ocean, the Gulf of Mexico, Long Island Sound, or one or more of the Great Lakes.

Applicants may use one application to submit the same project for multiple funding categories if the project meets the eligibility criteria for multiple categories.

## Funding

In FY 2024-2026, $876 million is available to support awards through this program. Awards vary by category as follows:

- Planning Grants – Up to $86 million is available to support awards that are at minimum $100,000. There is no maximum award size.
- Resilience Improvement Grants – Up to $618 million is available to support awards that are a minimum of $500,000. There is no maximum award size.
- Community Resilience and Evaluation Route Grants – Up to $86 million is available to support awards that are a minimum of $500,000. There is no maximum award size.
- At-Risk Coastal Infrastructure Grants – Up to $86 million is available to support awards that are a minimum of $500,000. There is no maximum award size.

At least 25 percent of the available funding will be focused on projects located in areas that are outside an urban area with a population over 200,000. Additionally, at least 2 percent of the available funding will be reserved for tribal entities.

## Matching and Cost-Share

Cost-share is not required for Planning Grants. All remaining categories require a 20% match.

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FEDERAL
GRANT PROFILE



**Department:** U.S. Department of Transportation
**Agency:** Federal Transit Administration

# FY 2023 Public Transportation Emergency Relief Program

## Grant Overview

The purpose of this program is to reimburse costs that public transportation service providers incurred because of major declared disasters in calendar years 2017, 2020, 2021, and 2022, excluding the COVID-19 pandemic. Eligible applicants include state and local governments, tribal governments, or other FTA award recipients that provide or fund public transportation service.

## Program History

| | Total Funding | # of Awards |
|---|---|---|
| 2022 | $513.1 million | 91 |
| 2020 | $653.2 million | 95 |

## Key Information and Tips

**Total Funding:** $109,975,497
**Award Range:** Unspecified
**Match:** Not required
**Solicitation Date**: March 27, 2023
**Proposal Due:** November 2, 2023

The funding agency encourages applicants to consider submitting a single application that includes multiple activities as one project to be evaluated as a consolidated proposal.

Applicants may include projects and operating expenses associated with multiple disaster events in the same application.

## Awardee Profile

State of North Carolina

AMOUNT: $13.4 million
YEAR: 2020

The State of North Carolina was reimbursed $13.4 million through this program stemming from costs incurred as a result severe storms and flooding in 2018 and 2019, as well as damage due to Hurricane Dorian in September 2019.

Emergency Relief Program – 2023 NAERF (Re-Opened) | FTA (dot.gov)

**Department:** U.S. Department of Transportation
**Agency:** Federal Transit Administration (FTA)

# FY 2023 Public Transportation Emergency Relief Program

## Detailed Summary

The purpose of this program is to reimburse costs that public transportation service providers incurred because of major declared disasters in calendar years 2017, 2020, 2021, and 2022, excluding the COVID-19 pandemic. Eligible projects include public transportation emergency operations, emergency protective measures, emergency repairs, and permanent repairs. For emergency service operations, service must be in addition to, or otherwise different from, regular service. Cost-effective resilience measures may be incorporated into replacement and repair projects.

Funds may be used for disaster response, recovery, and rebuilding activities. Specifically, eligible costs include:

- Evacuations
- Rescue operations
- Moving rolling stock to higher ground to protect it from storm surges
- Additional bus or ferry service to replace inoperable rail service or to detour around damaged areas
- Returning evacuees to their homes after the disaster
- Reestablishing, expanding, or relocating public transportation service before, during, or after the disaster

## Applicant Eligibility

Eligible applicants are entities that receive transit funding directly from the Federal Transit Administration (FTA), including state and local governments, tribal governments, or other FTA award recipients that provide or fund public transportation service. Public transit systems that are not FTA-direct recipients but have incurred eligible expenses may receive funding under this program through a pass-through entity, such as a state or designated recipient.

All award costs must have been, or will be, incurred in a county designated as eligible for any category of Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Public Assistance, or for an event that the President has declared a major disaster under the Stafford Act, other than the COVID-19 pandemic, with an incident period partially or entirely occurring within calendar years 2017, 2020, 2021, or 2022. Costs may also be, or have been, incurred by transit agencies in the geographic area affected by disasters by providing services to persons displaced from such counties.

## Funding

A total of $109,975,497 is available to support awards through this program. Funds will be provided on a reimbursement basis. The funding agency will grant authority to incur pre-award costs to award recipients for response, recovery, and rebuilding expenses incurred because of major declared disasters occurring in

calendar years 2017, 2020, 2021, and 2022. Pre-award authority applies to expenses incurred in preparation for such disasters when forecasts specific to the disasters were available. Funds may not be used for pre-award costs incurred for general disaster preparedness.

## Matching and Cost Sharing

No match is required. Applicants may apply for up to 100 percent of project costs.

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FEDERAL
GRANT PROFILE

**Department:** U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
**Agency:** Office of Ground Water and Drinking Water

# FY 2023 Drinking Water System Infrastructure Resilience and Sustainability Program

## Grant Overview

The Drinking Water System Infrastructure Resilience and Sustainability Program provides funding to increase drinking water system resilience to natural hazards in an underserved community and community that is a disadvantaged community or a community with a population of less than 10,000 individuals. Eligible applicants are state, local, and tribal government public water systems.

## Program History

This is a *new* program.

## Key Information

**Total Funding:** $19 million
**Award Range:** $285,000-$6.65 million
**Match:** Not required
**Solicitation date**: September 5, 2023
**Proposal due:** November 6, 2023

https://www.epa.gov/dwcapacity/drinking-water-system-infrastructure-resilience-and-sustainability

## Tips

- Drinking Water System Infrastructure Resilience and Sustainability Program Fact Sheet can be found here.
- Drinking Water System Infrastructure Resilience and Sustainability Program Webinar ca be found here.

**Department:** U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
**Agency:** Office of Ground Water and Drinking Water

# FY 2023 Drinking Water System Infrastructure Resilience and Sustainability Program

## Detailed Summary

The purpose of this program is to increase drinking water system resilience to natural hazards in underserved communities that are disadvantaged or serve a population of fewer than 10,000 individuals. For the purposes of this program, resilience is defined as the ability of a community water system or an asset of a community water system, such as the equipment, buildings, land, people, and other components needed to deliver safe and clean water, to adapt to or withstand the effects of a natural hazard without interruption to the corresponding function, or if the function is interrupted, to rapidly return to a normal operating condition. For the purposes of this program, a natural hazard is defined as a natural event, such as earthquake, tornado, flood, hurricane, wildfire, drought, freezing, or hydrologic change that threatens the functioning of a community water system. When considering these natural disaster threats, a public water system may take into account risks associated with climate change to ensure that resilience-building activities address future conditions such as increasing or decreasing temperatures, changes in precipitation, and, where applicable, sea-level rise.

Funding must be used for the planning, design, construction, implementation, operation, or maintenance of a project that increases resilience of public water systems to natural hazards through at least one of the following activities:

- Conservation of water or the enhancement of water use efficiency
- Modification or relocation of existing drinking water system infrastructure significantly impaired by natural hazards, or infrastructure that is at risk of being significantly impaired by natural hazards, including risks to drinking water infrastructure from flooding
- Design or construction of desalination facilities to serve existing communities
- Enhancement of water supply through watershed management and source water protection
- Enhancement of energy efficiency or the use and generation of renewable energy in the conveyance or treatment of drinking water
- Measures to increase the resilience of the drinking water system to natural hazards, including planning for analytical considerations and climate change

To obtain necessary support for the anticipated resiliency projects in a community, public education and outreach about the effects of natural hazards and climate change on the access to and availability of safe drinking water is critical, especially in communities historically in need. It is also important for the award recipient to inform the community members about drinking water resiliency projects prior to the start of the project and provide updates as the project proceeds. All applications should describe the proposed approach to provide public education and conduct outreach, and include the costs required to fulfill these activities.

Examples of eligible activities under various types of natural hazards include the following:

- Multiple threats:
  - Training and exercising an emergency response plan
  - Developing or updating continuity of operations plans
- Flooding:
  - Physical hardening
  - Installation of flap valves on low-lying overflow pipes to protect finished water
- Earthquake:
  - Performing an engineering risk analysis and cost estimates pursuant to established standards for evaluating existing structures
  - Retrofitting occupied utility buildings to prevent collapse
- Drought:
  - Implementing a leak detection and repair program to reduce lost water
  - Adding raw water storage and aquifer recharge
- Wildfire:
  - Instituting high fire danger procedures such as smoking bans and fire bans
  - Installing fire-resilient building materials
- Tornado:
  - Reinforcing water tower legs and welds
  - Securing and anchoring any trailers or temporary structures

Funding will be provided for the following program components:

**National Priority Area 1: Small-Scale Investments to Help Drinking Water Systems Implementation Resilience Measures** component is to increase drinking water system resilience by implementing smaller-scale resilience projects informed by drinking water system plans.

**National Priority Area 2: Large-Scale Infrastructure Improvements to Enhance Drinking Water System Resilience** component is to improve drinking water system resilience through large-scale infrastructure improvements and/or optimization of mitigation measures at a drinking water system.

## Applicant Eligibility

Eligible applicants are public water systems; water systems located in an area governed by an Indian tribe; and states, on behalf of an underserved community, including the District of Columbia and the territories of American Samoa, Guam, the Northern Mariana Islands, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands, and the Virgin Islands.

Projects must benefit underserved communities. For the purposes of this program, an underserved community is defined by Section 1459A(a) of the Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA) as one that does not have access to household drinking water or wastewater services or is served by a public water system that violates or exceeds a requirement of a National Primary Drinking Water Regulation (NPDWR), including a maximum contaminant level, a treatment technique, or an action level.

Projects must also serve disadvantaged communities or communities with a population of fewer than 10,000 individuals. Each state establishes affordability criteria under Section 1452(d)(3) of the SDWA, and for the purposes of this program, a disadvantaged community is defined as the service area of a

public water system that meets affordability criteria established after public review and comment by the state in which the public water system is located.

For applicants that do not have established affordability criteria under Section 1452(d)(3) of the SDWA, such as territories, projects must serve underserved communities, per SDWA Section 1459A(a), that are communities of fewer than 10,000 individuals that lack the capacity to incur debt sufficient to finance a project or activity, per SDWA Section 1459A(c)(2)(B).

For public water systems serving tribes, projects must serve communities that meet the definition of underserved in SDWA Section 1459A(a) and meet the definition of small in SDWA Section 1459A(c)(2)(B). Public water systems serving tribes do not have to serve communities that meet the criteria for disadvantaged communities in Section 1459A(c)(2)(A).

Each application submitted must address only one of this program's two components.

## Funding

In FY 2023, approximately $19 million has been made available for 12-25 awards to be awarded as follows:

**National Priority Area 1: Small-Scale Investments to Help Drinking Water Systems Implement Resilience Measures.** EPA anticipates awarding approximately $5.7 million in funding for ten to twenty awards ranging from $285,000 to $570,000 with project periods of one to four years, depending on the amount requested and the overall size and scope of the project(s).

**National Priority Area 2: Large-Scale Infrastructure Improvements to Enhance Drinking Water System Resilience.** EPA anticipates awarding approximately $13.3 million in funding for two to five awards ranging from $2.66 million to $6.65 million with project periods of one to four years, depending on the amount requested and the overall size and scope of the project(s).

The project period will last one to four years, depending on the requested award amount and the overall size and scope of the project.

## Matching and Cost Sharing

A non-federal cost share or match is not required.

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FEDERAL
GRANT PROFILE




**Department:** Environmental Protection Agency
**Agency:** Environmental Education and Stewardship Division

# FY 2025 Environmental Education Grant Program

## Grant Overview

This program supports locally and regionally focused environmental education projects that promote environmental stewardship and help develop knowledgeable and responsible students, teachers and community members. Eligible applicants are local educational agencies, state education or environmental agencies, colleges or universities, nonprofits, Tribal education agencies, Tribal non-profit organizations, noncommercial educational broadcasting entities, and local or county environmental agencies.

## Program History

| Year | Total Funding | # of Awards |
|---|---|---|
| 2023 | $3.6 million | 38 |
| 2022 | $3.15 million | 33 |
| 2021 | $3.22 million | 34 |
| 2020 | $3.25 million | 35 |

## Key Information and Tips

**Total Funding:** $3.2 million
**Award Range:** $200,000 - $250,000
**Match:** 25 percent
**Solicitation date**: January 7, 2026
**Proposal due:** March 3, 2026

https://www.epa.gov/education/grants

To calculate match, applicants are encouraged to use the EE Grant Calculator.

## Awardee Profile

National Wildlife Federation

Austin, TX

AMOUNT: $100,000
YEAR: 2023

This project supports engagement with high school students and teachers to serve on school watershed teams and to use meaningful watershed experiences in the outdoors and in the classroom to empower students, teachers and community members to be watershed stewards.

**Department:** Environmental Protection Agency
**Agency:** Environmental Education and Stewardship Division

# FY 2025 Environmental Education Grant Program

## Detailed Summary

The purpose of this program is to support locally and regionally focused environmental education projects that design, demonstrate and/or disseminate environmental education practices, methods or techniques. The funding agency will provide financial support for projects that promote environmental stewardship and help develop informed, knowledgeable, and responsible individuals in the community(ies) in which the project is located.

The program provides financial support for the design, demonstration, and dissemination of environmental education practices, methods, and techniques that increase public awareness and understanding of local and/or regional environmental issues and equip participants with the skills needed to make informed decisions and take responsible actions to protect and improve the environment. Activities funding under this program must be consistent with Pillar 3 of the EPA Administrator's Five Pillars.

Applications must address the following priorities:

- Artificial Intelligence (AI): Educating students, educators, and community members on the responsible use and application of artificial intelligence (AI) to address local and/or regional environmental issues. Projects should explore how AI tools can be used or developed to collect, analyze, and visualize environmental data; predict environmental trends; or support environmental stewardship efforts.
- Ensuring Clean and Safe Water: These efforts help ensure clean and safe drinking water and/or contribute to the restoration and maintenance of oceans, lakes, rivers, watersheds, and their aquatic ecosystems to protect human health, support economic and recreational activities, and provide healthy habitats for wildlife and plants.

Applicants are encouraged to consider the following types of activities in their proposed projects:

- Designing and implementing hands-on environmental educational programs that introduce students, educators, and community members to the responsible use of AI for addressing local water quality and/or quantity issues.
- Developing and applying AI models to identify pollution sources, forecast flooding or drought risks, or monitor water usage patterns in local watersheds.
- Conducting training workshops for students, teachers, farmers, and community members on how AI can support aquatic ecosystem restoration, nutrient management, and water conservation.
- Creating and piloting curriculum modules for targeted grades that integrate AI applications into water quality and/or quantity education.

- Organizing community engagement activities such as waterway clean-up events, participatory science projects, and school-based water conservation campaigns informed by AI data analysis.
- Facilitating collaboration among schools, farmers, community groups, and local agencies to apply AI insights in planning for water challenges such as stormwater management, nutrient runoff reduction, or drought preparedness.

## Applicant Eligibility

Eligible applicants are local educational agencies, state education or environmental agencies, colleges or universities, nonprofits, Tribal education agencies, Tribal non-profit organizations, local or county environmental agencies, and noncommercial educational broadcasting entities as defined and licensed by the Federal Communications Commission. Eligibility requirements apply to both “prime” recipients and all subrecipients.

Applicants can not have been previously awarded a grant by EPA’s EE grant program. Applicants may submit more than one (1) application under this announcement so long as each one is for a different project and is separately submitted.

## Funding

In FY 2025, approximately $3.2 million is available to support up to 16 awards nationwide through this program. Awards will range from $200,000 to $250,000. Grantees are required to award exactly 25 percent of funds received to eligible subrecipients. Subaward recipients are subject to the same eligibility requirements as “prime” recipients. Subawards must be grants of $5,000 or less. The project period may last from one to two years. Projects may begin no earlier than October 15, 2026.

## Matching and Cost Sharing

Applicants must provide at least 25 percent of the total project costs via nonfederal cash and/or in-kind contributions. Under appropriate circumstances, applicants may use partnerships to assist with the cost share requirement. In-kind contributions may include salaries, volunteer time, and/or supplies and materials.

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FEDERAL
GRANT PROFILE

**Department:** U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
**Agency:** Office of Water and Wastewater Management

# FY 2025 Water Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act (WIFIA) Program

## Grant Overview

The purpose of this program is to accelerate investment in the nation's water, wastewater, and stormwater infrastructure by providing long-term, low-cost, supplemental credit assistance under customized terms to creditworthy water infrastructure projects of national and regional significance. Eligible applicants are local, state, tribal, and federal government entities, partnerships and joint ventures, corporations and trusts, and state infrastructure financing authorities.

## Program History

| | Total Funding | # of Awards |
|---|---|---|
| 2023 | $13 billion | 31 |
| 2022 | $14 billion | 42 |

## Key Information

**Total Funding:** $6.5 billion
**Award Range:** Varies
**Match:** 51%
**Solicitation date**: November 20, 2025
**Proposal due:** Rolling

- Prospective borrowers seeking a WIFIA loan must submit an LOI describing the project fundamentals and addressing the WIFIA selection criteria.

https://www.epa.gov/wifia

## Awardee Profile

City of Lake Oswego, OR

AMOUNT: $123 million
YEAR: 2023

The purpose of the project is to modernize Lake Oswego's Wastewater Treatment Facility by increasing the system's ability to withstand storm events, reducing energy consumption and reducing the risk of untreated wastewater spilling into the Willamette River.

**Department:** U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
**Agency:** Office of Water and Wastewater Management

# FY 2025 Water Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act (WIFIA) Program

## Detailed Summary

The purpose of this program is to accelerate investment in the nation's water, wastewater, and stormwater infrastructure by providing long-term, low-cost, supplemental credit assistance under customized terms to creditworthy water infrastructure projects of national and regional significance. This program is implementing the following five key priorities of the funding agency:

- Providing Safe Drinking Water and Improving Water Quality: Project types are wide-ranging and include, but are not limited to, projects that: improve water quality, support compliance with drinking water standards and wastewater permit requirements, reduce stormwater runoff, modernize aging water infrastructure, address PFAS and other emerging contaminants, and remove lead service lines.
- Pursuing Energy Independence, Exploration, Development, or Production: EPA encourages the submission of projects that serve populations in regions impacted by significant energy exploration, development, or production. These projects can help communities pursue energy independence and lower energy costs for communities.
- Advancing Local, Regional, and State Water Priorities: EPA will partner with localities, regions, and states across the country to advance durable water infrastructure projects that address the critical needs of all communities, especially for small and rural communities.
- Supporting Water Sector Innovation: EPA is prioritizing projects that incorporate new or innovative technology, which can play a significant role in helping states, tribes, and communities ensure the provision of clean, safe, and reliable water supplies. In particular, water reuse technology solves a variety of water challenges, such as expanding water resources to support economic development (e.g., artificial intelligence data centers) and alleviating the effects of drought. Other examples of new or innovative technology include, but are not limited to, desalination and cybersecurity enhancements.
- Promoting Economic Growth for American Industries: Reliable water infrastructure not only benefits residents, but also companies that depend on water resources to maintain and expand operations. Without durable water supplies, American industries, including the automotive, electronic, mining, and artificial intelligence sectors, cannot thrive. EPA encourages prospective borrowers to demonstrate how projects will generate economic and public benefits, such as supporting international commerce, increasing domestic manufacturing, or accelerating economic growth.

The WIFIA program can fund development and implementation activities for eligible projects:

- A wide range of wastewater, stormwater, and nonpoint source projects that are eligible under the Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF)
- A wide range of drinking water infrastructure projects – including treatment, transmission and distribution, source, storage, consolidation/partnerships, and the creation of new systems – that are eligible under the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF)
- Projects for repair, rehabilitation, or replacement of drinking water, wastewater, or stormwater infrastructure
- Energy efficiency enhancements for a public water system or publicly owned treatment works
- Desalination, aquifer storage and recovery, water recycling, or other projects to provide an alternative water supply and reduce aquifer depletion
- Drought prevention, reduction, or mitigation projects
- Acquisition of real property or an interest in real property, in certain circumstances
- A combination of drinking water and wastewater projects submitted by a state infrastructure financing authority
- A combination of eligible projects, secured by a common security pledge, for which a single entity, or a combination of eligible entities, submits a single application

Eligible project costs are costs associated with the following activities:

- Development-phase activities, including planning, feasibility analysis (including any related analysis necessary to carry out an eligible project), revenue forecasting, environmental review, permitting, preliminary engineering and design work, and other preconstruction activities
- Construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation, and replacement activities
- The acquisition of real property or an interest in real property (including water rights, land relating to the project, and improvements to land), environmental mitigation, construction contingencies and acquisition of equipment
- Capitalized interest necessary to meet market requirements, reasonably required reserve funds, capital issuance expenses, and other carrying costs during construction. Capitalized interest on WIFIA credit assistance may not be included as an eligible project cost

## Applicant Eligibility

Eligible applicants are local, state, tribal, and federal government entities, partnerships and joint ventures, corporations and trusts, and state infrastructure financing authorities.

Public sponsorship is required for projects undertaken by an entity that is not a state or local government or agency or instrumentality of a state or local government, or a tribal government or consortium of tribal governments.

## Funding

In FY 2025, approximately $6.5 billion is available to help finance an unspecified number of direct loans or loan guarantees. Projects must have eligible costs that are reasonably anticipated to be equal to or exceed $20 million, or for small communities (serving not more than 25,000 individuals), project costs that are reasonably anticipated to equal or exceed $5 million.

## Matching and Cost Sharing

In general, applicants must provide 51% of the project costs. The maximum amount of WIFIA credit assistance to a project is 49% of eligible project costs in almost all instances. For small communities who face significant water infrastructure challenges and economic or administrative hardships accessing funding and financing, the WIFIA program may provide credit assistance up to a maximum of 80% of eligible project costs.

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FEDERAL
GRANT PROFILE




**Agency:** Legal Services Corporation (LSC)

# FY 2024 Disaster Relief Emergency Grants (DREG)

## Grant Overview

The purpose of this program is to help legal aid organizations providing services to survivors of government-declared emergencies and coordinating preparation efforts for future natural disasters. This program funds response efforts that address damage sustained or the surge in demand for legal aid as a result of emergencies. Eligible applicants are current award recipients of the funding agency that provide services in an area where any government, tribal government, or equivalent has made an emergency declaration, including federally declared disasters as identified by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) or there has been any other substantial emergency.

## Program History

| | Total Funding | # of Awards |
|---|---|---|
| 2023 | $19.8 million | 14 |
| 2022 | $38 million | 19 |

## Key Information and Tips

**Total Funding:** $2 million
**Award Range:** Varies
**Match:** Not required
**Proposal due:** Rolling

- Mandatory pre-applications must be submitted online. Applicants may be invited to submit full proposals.

https://www.lsc.gov/grants/disaster-grants-program/how-apply-disaster-grant

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## Awardee Profile

Florida Legal Aid Providers

AMOUNT: $6,119,566
YEAR: 2023

In FY 2023, LSC awarded funding to support the delivery of legal services to low-income Floridians impacted by Hurricanes Ian and Nicole in 2022.

**Agency:** Legal Services Corporation (LSC)

# FY 2024 Disaster Relief Emergency Grants (DREG)

## Detailed Summary

The purpose of this program is to help legal aid organizations providing services to survivors of government-declared emergencies and coordinating preparation efforts for future natural disasters. This program funds response efforts that address damage sustained or the surge in demand for legal aid as a result of emergencies. Emergencies may include events such as hurricanes, wildfires, earthquakes, and other government-declared emergencies.

In addition to hiring and supporting staff, awards may be used for the leasing of new office space in an area hard-hit by a disaster and adjacent to survivors with legal needs related to the disaster, purchasing office equipment and supplies, hiring a project or grant manager, or hiring other administrative support staff, as long as such activities and expenses are related to the consequences of eligible disasters. Eligible costs may include those in the following budget categories:

- Salaries/wages
- Fringe benefits
- Travel costs
- Equipment
- Software
- Supplies
- Marketing and outreach
- Training and conferences
- Other direct costs
- Contracts and subawards
- indirect costs

## Applicant Eligibility

Eligible applicants are current award recipients of the funding agency that provide services in an area where any government, tribal government, or equivalent has made an emergency declaration, including federally declared disasters as identified by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) or there has been any other substantial emergency.

## Funding

In FY 2024, an estimated $2 million is available to support awards through this program. Award recipients may request advance payment of funds at any time. The project period may last up to 36 months.

## Matching and Cost Sharing

There are no stated matching requirements for this program.

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https://www.lsc.gov/grants/disaster-grants-program/how-apply-disaster-grant

FEDERAL
GRANT PROFILE

**Agency:** U.S. National Science Foundation (NSF)
**Office**: Directorate for Engineering

# FY 2024 Humans, Disasters, and the Built Environment (HDBE)

## Grant Overview

This program supports fundamental and convergent research on the interactions between humans and the built environment within communities exposed to natural, technological, or other types of hazards and disasters. This program focuses on ongoing and emerging hazards to populations, including individuals, households, businesses, organizations, and agencies, as well as the built environments, including critical infrastructures, physical and cyber spaces, and buildings. Eligible applicants are institutions of higher education, nonprofit, non-academic organizations, tribal governments, state and local governments, and for-profit organizations.

## Program History

A program history is unavailable.

## Key Information and Tips

**Total Funding:** Unspecified
**Award Range:** Unspecified
**Match:** Not required
**Proposal due:** Rolling

- Research that addresses multiple dimensions of social equity, vulnerability, and environmental justice is particularly encouraged.

More information is available here.

## Tips

- Applicants are encouraged to email a one-page project summary to the HDBE Program Officer, Daan Liang at dliang@nsf.gov, before submitting a full proposal for guidance on whether the proposed research topic falls within the scope of the HDBE program and/or co-review might be appropriate.

**Agency:** U.S. National Science Foundation (NSF)
**Office**: Directorate for Engineering

# FY 2024 Humans, Disasters, and the Built Environment (HDBE)

## Detailed Summary

The purpose of this program is to support fundamental and convergent research on the interactions between humans and the built environment within communities exposed to natural, technological, or other types of hazards and disasters. This program focuses on ongoing and emerging hazards to populations, including individuals, households, businesses, organizations, and agencies, as well as the built environments, including critical infrastructures, physical and cyber spaces, and buildings. Successful projects will address the elements of humans, disasters, and the built environment, and have the potential to contribute to theories or insights that hold over a broad range of scales, conditions, and sectors.

All projects are expected to result in research that will build a deeper understanding of human behaviors at the interface of engineering and society and inform how communities manage their risk and adapt to changing patterns in climate, extreme weather, and other hazards. In particular, this program is intended to support research that advances foundational theories, methods, and data within and across diverse disciplines, such as engineering, social sciences, natural sciences, computing, or other relevant fields, including interdisciplinary projects.

Projects that are aimed at making methodological contributions to advance disaster-relevant research are also of interest to the funding agency, such as:

- Methods and tools for the translation of engineering solutions, including mitigation and adaptation, for the built environment to community or national scale investments, practices, and policies
- Techniques to examine the interactions of humans and the built environment resulting from simultaneous or compounding risk of natural disasters and pandemics
- Protocols, methodologies, and tools tailored for handling sensitive, protected, and proprietary data relevant to disasters

Investigators are encouraged to take advantage of NSF's investments in the Natural Hazards Engineering Research Infrastructure (NHERI) on experimental testing, computational modeling and simulation, interdisciplinary training and networks, and data sharing, integration, and analysis. Projects that involve research that addresses multiple dimensions of social equity, vulnerability, and environmental justice are particularly encouraged.

## Applicant Eligibility

Eligible applicants are institutions of higher education (IHEs), nonprofit, non-academic organizations, and tribal governments. State and local governments may be eligible to apply if their project meets the project criteria. In addition, for-profit organizations may be eligible to apply if the project is of special concern from a national point of view, special resources are available for the work, or the proposed project is especially meritorious. Collaborative proposals involving principal investigators from two or more institutions are accepted. Grant

Opportunities for Academic Liaison with Industry (GOALI) proposals must include at least one industrial co-principal investigator.

Previously declined proposals may be resubmitted, but only after substantial revision.

## Funding

In FY 2024, an unspecified amount of funding is available to support an unspecified number of awards. Award recipients may request no-cost extensions of project periods for 12 months if additional time is required to complete the original project scope.

## Matching and Cost Sharing

Matching funds are not required for this program. Inclusion of voluntary committed cost sharing in the budget or budget justification is prohibited; however, applicants may contribute a voluntary uncommitted cost share.

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