

Summary of FEMA Programs

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1) Public Assistance Program (PA)

Purpose: This program assists States, Tribal and local governments, and certain types of private nonprofit organizations quickly respond to and recover from major disasters or emergencies declared by the President. Grants are provided for debris removal, emergency protective measures, and the repair, replacement, or restoration of disaster-damaged, publicly owned facilities. Some limited hazard mitigation activities may also be included in these grants. This type of mitigation is commonly referred to as Section 406 mitigation and may only be performed on parts of facilities that actually experienced disaster related damages. The goal is to directly reduce the potential of future, similar disaster damages to public facilities.

<http://www.fema.gov/plan/ehp/noma/projects2.shtm#0>

2) Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP)

Purpose: The HMGP provides grants to States, Territories, Tribes, and local governments to implement long-term hazard mitigation measures after a major disaster declaration, activities may include buyouts, retrofits, relocations, elevations, and minor flood control projects. This type of mitigation is commonly referred to as Section 404 mitigation and is available to all counties or parishes within a particular state that experienced a disaster; it is not limited to the disaster declaration area of a state.

<http://www.fema.gov/government/grant/hmgs/index.shtm>

3) Individual Assistance Programs (IA) *[activities under this program are not subject to Section 106 review under 44 CFR 206.110(m), with the exception of ground disturbing activities and construction of temporary, replacement, and permanent housing]*

Purpose: These programs help ensure that individuals and families that have been affected by disasters have access to the full range of FEMA assistance including: crisis counseling (Section 416), disaster legal services (Section 415), medical assistance (Section 403), transportation (Section 419), funeral services, minor home repairs (Section 408), and temporary housing assistance (Section 408). It should be noted that other federal agencies provide disaster assistance to individuals as well, such as the US Small Business Administration, Department of Agriculture, and Department of Labor.

<http://www.fema.gov/assistance/process/assistance.shtm>

4) Pre-Disaster Mitigation Program (PDM)

Purpose: The PDM program provides competitive grants to States, Territories, Tribes, and local governments for hazard mitigation planning and the implementation of mitigation projects prior to a disaster event. Activities may include planning, buyouts, retrofits, relocations, elevations, minor flood control projects, and vegetative fuels reduction. <http://www.fema.gov/government/grant/pdm/index.shtm>

5) Flood Mitigation Assistance Program (FMA)

Purpose: The FMA provides planning, project, or technical assistance grant funds to assist States and communities implement measures that reduce or eliminate the long-term risk of flood damage to buildings and other structures insurable, which may include

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elevations and buyouts, under the National Flood Insurance Program.

<http://www.fema.gov/government/grant/fma/index.shtm>

6) **Repetitive Flood Claims Program (RFC)**

Purpose: This program provides grant funds to assist States and communities in reducing flood damages to insured properties that have had one or more claims to the National Flood Insurance Program, which includes buyouts.

<http://www.fema.gov/government/grant/rfc/index.shtm>

7) **Severe Repetitive Loss Program (SRL)**

Purpose: This program provides grant funding to reduce or eliminate the long-term risk of flood damage to severe repetitive loss structures insured under the National Flood Insurance Program, which includes buyouts.

<http://www.fema.gov/government/grant/srl/index.shtm>

8) **Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program (AFG)**

Purpose: The AFG program provides funding for purchase of equipment and retrofit or construction of fire stations to improve first responder capabilities.

<http://www.usfa.dhs.gov/fireservice/grants/>

9) **State Homeland Security Program (SHSP)**

Purpose: This core assistance program provides funds to build capabilities at the state and local levels and to implement the goals and objectives included in state homeland security strategies and initiatives in the State Preparedness Report.

<http://www.fema.gov/government/grant/hsdp/index.shtm#1>

10) **State Homeland Security Program Tribal (SHSP Tribal)**

Purpose: To provide supplemental funding to directly eligible tribes to help strengthen the nation against risks associated with potential terrorist attacks. Pursuant to the 9/11 Act, “a directly eligible tribe applying for a grant under section 2004 [SHSP] shall designate an individual to serve as a tribal liaison with [DHS] and other federal, state, local, and regional government officials concerning preventing, preparing for, protecting against and responding to acts of terrorism.”

<http://www.fema.gov/government/grant/shspt/index.shtm>

11) **Nonprofit Security Grant Program (NSGP)**

Purpose: NSGP provides funding support for target-hardening activities to nonprofit organizations that are at high risk of a terrorist attack and are located within one of the specific UASI-eligible urban areas.

http://www.fema.gov/pdf/government/grant/2010/fy10_nsgp_kit.pdf

12) **Transit Security Grant Program (TSGP)**

Purpose: The TSGP provides grant funding to the nation’s key high-threat urban areas to enhance security measures for their critical transit infrastructure including bus, ferry and rail systems. <http://www.fema.gov/government/grant/tsgp/index.shtm>

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13) Freight Rail Security Grant Program (FRSGP)

Purpose: The FRSGP funds security training for frontline employees, the completion of vulnerability assessments, the development of security plans within the freight rail industry and GPS tracking systems for railroad cars transporting toxic inhalation materials (TIH). <http://www.fema.gov/government/grant/frsgp/index.shtm>

14) Intercity Passenger Rail (IPR - Amtrak)

Purpose: The purpose of the Intercity Passenger Rail (IPR) is to create a sustainable, risk-based effort to protect critical surface transportation infrastructure and the traveling public from acts of terrorism, major disasters and other emergencies within the Amtrak rail system. <http://www.fema.gov/government/grant/amtrak/index.shtm>

15) Port Security Grant Program (PSGP)

Purpose: The PSGP provides grant funding to port areas for the protection of critical port infrastructure from terrorism. PSGP funds are primarily intended to assist ports in enhancing maritime domain awareness, enhancing risk management capabilities to prevent, detect, respond to and recover from attacks involving improvised explosive devices (IEDs), weapons of mass destruction (WMDs) and other non-conventional weapons, as well as training and exercises and Transportation Worker Identification Credential (TWIC) implementation.

<http://www.fema.gov/government/grant/psgp/index.shtm>

16) Intercity Bus Security Grant Program (IBSGP)

Purpose: The IBSGP provides funding to create a sustainable program for the protection of intercity bus systems and the traveling public from terrorism. The program seeks to assist operators of fixed-route intercity and charter bus services in obtaining the resources required to support security measures such as enhanced planning, facility security upgrades and vehicle and driver protection.

<http://www.fema.gov/government/grant/ibsgp/index.shtm>

17) Trucking Security Program (TSP)

Purpose: TSP funding will be awarded to eligible applicants to implement security improvement measures and policies deemed valuable by DHS as indicated in the *Security Action Items* publication of June 26, 2008. These items are primarily focused on the purchase and installation or enhancement of equipment and systems related to tractor and trailer tracking systems. Additionally, the TSP will provide funding to develop a system for DHS to monitor, collect and analyze tracking information; and develop plans to improve the effectiveness of transportation and distribution of supplies and commodities during catastrophic events. <http://www.fema.gov/government/grant/tsp/index.shtm>

18) Buffer Zone Protection Program (BZPP)

Purpose: The BZPP provides funding to increase the preparedness capabilities of jurisdictions responsible for the safety and security of communities surrounding high-priority pre-designated Tier 1 and Tier 2 critical infrastructure and key resource (CIKR) assets, including chemical facilities, financial institutions, nuclear and electric power plants, dams, stadiums and other high-risk/high-consequence facilities, through allowable

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planning and equipment acquisition.

<http://www.fema.gov/government/grant/bzpp/index.shtm>

19) Emergency Management Performance Grants (EMPG)

Purpose: The purpose of the EMPG program is to assist state and local governments in enhancing and sustaining all-hazards emergency management capabilities.

<http://www.fema.gov/government/grant/empg/index.shtm>

20) Interoperable Emergency Communications Grant Program (IECGP)

Purpose: IECGP provides governance, planning, training and exercise and equipment funding to states, territories, and local and tribal governments to carry out initiatives to improve interoperable emergency communications, including communications in collective response to natural disasters, acts of terrorism and other man-made disasters. According to the legislation that created IECGP, all proposed activities must be integral to interoperable emergency communications and must be aligned with the goals, objectives and initiatives identified in the grantee's approved statewide Communication Interoperability Plans (SCIP). IECGP will also advance DHS near-term priorities that are deemed critical to improving interoperable emergency communications and are consistent with goals and objectives of the National Emergency Communications Plan.

<http://www.fema.gov/government/grant/iecgp/index.shtm>

21) Emergency Operations Center (EOC) Grant Program

Purpose: The EOC grant program is intended to improve emergency management and preparedness capabilities by supporting flexible, sustainable, secure, and interoperable Emergency Operations Centers (EOCs) with a focus on addressing identified deficiencies and needs. This program provides funding for construction or renovation of a state, local, or tribal governments' principal EOC. Fully capable emergency operations facilities at the state and local levels are an essential element of a comprehensive national emergency management system and are necessary to ensure continuity of operations and continuity of government in major disasters caused by any hazard.

<http://www.fema.gov/government/grant/eoc/index.shtm>