

FEMA Awards Florida Department of Health \$1 Million for Hurricane Dorian Costs

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ORLANDO, Fla. – FEMA has approved a grant of **\$1,095,026** for the State of Florida to help the Florida Department of Health (DOH) defray the cost of its emergency response to Hurricane Dorian in 2019.

FEMA Public Assistance program funds will reimburse the DOH for emergency measures taken to protect life and property, including the cost of ambulance services, evacuations, fuel and staffing of the emergency operations center.

The program provides grants to state, tribal and local governments, and certain types of private nonprofit organizations, including some houses of worship, so communities can quickly respond to and recover from major disasters or emergencies. The Florida Division of Emergency Management works with FEMA during all phases of the program and conducts final reviews of FEMA-approved projects.

The federal share for Public Assistance projects is not less than 75 percent of the eligible cost. The state determines how the nonfederal share of the cost of a project (up to 25 percent) is split with subrecipients such as local and county governments.

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