FY 2023 Emergency Management Performance Grant Program Fact Sheet

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The U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS), through the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), is providing \$355.1 million in funding to assist state, local, tribal, and territorial governments in developing their emergency management capabilities and for all-hazards preparedness activities.

Overview

The Fiscal Year (FY) 2023 Emergency Management Performance Grant (EMPG) Program is one of the grant programs that constitute DHS/FEMA's focus on all-hazards emergency preparedness. These grant programs are part of a comprehensive set of measures authorized by Congress and implemented by DHS/FEMA to assist state, local, tribal, and territorial emergency management agencies to implement the National Preparedness System and the National Preparedness Goal of a secure and resilient nation. For FY 2023, three national priorities are highlighted to address the increasing range and complexity of disasters, support the diversity of communities we serve, and complement the nation's growing expectations of the emergency management community:

- Equity;
- Climate Resilience; and
- Readiness.

Funding

In FY 2023, the EMPG Program will provide \$355.1 million in funding to assist state, local, tribal, and territorial governments in preparing for all hazards. Today, DHS is announcing funding in the amount of \$355.1 million to support the FY 2023



EMPG Program. This funding amount includes \$355 million from the *FY 2023 Consolidated Appropriations Act* (P.L. 117-328) and \$100,000 from the Disaster Relief Fund, which FEMA must make available to the Federated States of Micronesia and the Republic of the Marshall Islands pursuant to Article X of the Federal Programs and Services Agreement of the *Compact of Free Association* Act (Pub. L. No. 108-188).

Authorization

The FY 2023 EMPG Program is authorized by the Section 662 of the *Post-Katrina Emergency Management Reform Act of 2006 (PKEMRA)*, as amended, (Pub. L. No. 109-295) (6 U.S.C. § 762); the *Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act*, as amended (Pub. L. No. 93-288) (42 U.S.C. §§ 5121 et seq.); the *Earthquake Hazards Reduction Act of 1977*, as amended (Pub. L. No. 95-124) (42 U.S.C. §§ 7701 et seq.); and the *National Flood Insurance Act of 1968*, as amended (Pub. L. No. 90448) (42 U.S.C. §§ 4001 et seq.).

Eligibility

All 56 states and territories are eligible to apply for the FY 2023 EMPG Program funds. Either the State Administrative Agency (SAA) or the state's Emergency Management Agency is eligible to apply directly to FEMA for EMPG Program funds on behalf of each state or territory. However, only one application is accepted from each state or territory. Please refer to Section C of the FY 2023 EMPG Program Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) for more information on eligibility.

Funding Guidelines

EMPG Program awards are based on Section 662 of the *Post-Katrina Emergency Management Reform Act of 2006, as amended* (6 U.S.C. § 762). All 50 states, the District of Columbia, and the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico receive a base amount of 0.75% of the total available funding appropriated for the EMPG Program. Four territories (American Samoa, Guam, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, and the U.S. Virgin Islands) receive a base amount of



0.25% of the total available funding appropriated. The remaining balance of funds are distributed on a population-share basis.

Application Process

Applying for an award under the EMPG is a multi-step process; the registration process can take four weeks or more to complete. Therefore, applicants are encouraged to register early to ensure it does not impact the applicant's ability to meet required submission deadlines. Please refer to Section D in the FY 2023 EMPG Program NOFO for detailed information and instructions.

Eligible applicants should submit their initial application at least three days prior to the final application submission through the grants.gov portal at www.grants.gov. Applicants needing Grants.gov support may contact the Grants.gov customer support hotline at (800) 518-4726, which is available 24 hours per day, seven days per week except federal holidays.

After the initial applications are submitted in grants.gov, eligible applicants will be notified by FEMA within one to two business days and asked to proceed with submitting their complete application package in the Non-Disaster (ND) Grants System. Applicants needing technical support with the ND Grants System should contact ndgrants@fema.dhs.gov or (800) 865-4076, Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. – 6 p.m. Eastern Time (ET).

Completed applications must be submitted in the ND Grants system no later than 5 p.m. (ET) on Monday, May 18, 2023.

EMPG Program Resources

There are a variety of resources available to address programmatic, technical, and financial questions, which can assist with the EMPG Program:

- The FY 2023 EMGP Program NOFO is located online at www.fema.gov/grants, as well as on www.grants.gov.
- The FY 2023 <u>FEMA Preparedness Grants Manual</u>, FY 2023 EMPG Program Work Plan Template User Guide, and other related informational resources are located online at <u>www.fema.gov/grants</u>.



- For additional program-specific information, please contact the FEMA Grants Information Desk at fema.dhs.gov OR at (800) 368-6498. Hours of operation are from 9 a.m. 5 p.m. ET, Monday through Friday.
- For support regarding financial grants management and budgetary technical assistance, applicants may contact the FEMA Award Administration Help Desk via e-mail to ASK-GMD@fema.dhs.gov.
- The FEMA Regions also provide technical assistance to EMPG Program direct recipients. A list of contacts in the FEMA Regions is available at www.fema.gov/fema-regional-contacts.

