

FEMA Announces Lost Wages Grants for Colorado, Missouri and Utah

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On August 8, 2020, President Trump made available up to \$44 billion from FEMA's Disaster Relief Fund to provide financial assistance to Americans who have lost wages due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Colorado, Missouri and Utah all recently agreed to administer lost wages programs for their citizens who are unemployed due to COVID-19.

FEMA Administrator Pete Gaynor approved the states of Colorado, Missouri and Utah for grants under this unprecedented program. FEMA's grant funding will allow Colorado, Missouri and Utah to provide those unemployed due to COVID-19 \$300 per week on top of their regular unemployment benefit. FEMA will work with Colorado Governor Polis, Missouri Governor Parson and Utah Governor Herbert as they implement state systems to make this funding available to the residents of their states.

Arizona, Iowa, Louisiana and New Mexico were previously approved for assistance.

FEMA looks forward to working with the governors of additional states who agree to administer a lost wages program to bring financial relief to unemployed Americans.

