

FEMA Announces Lost Wages Grant to Oklahoma

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WASHINGTON - 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. Today, the state of Oklahoma agreed to administer a lost wages program for its citizens who are unemployed due to COVID-19.

FEMA Administrator Pete Gaynor approved Oklahoma for a FEMA grant under this unprecedented program. FEMA's grant funding will allow Oklahoma to provide those unemployed due to COVID-19 \$300 per week on top of their regular unemployment benefit. FEMA will work with Oklahoma Governor Stitt to implement a system to make this funding available to Oklahoma residents.

Arizona, Colorado, Iowa, Louisiana, Missouri, Montana, New Mexico and Utah 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.

