FEMA Obligates Nearly \$1 Billion in First Days of Vaccine Mission

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WASHINGTON – FEMA has obligated nearly \$1 billion to costs related to the COVID-19 vaccine mission and continues to work with states throughout the nation in funding costs related to the COVID-19 vaccine mission.

The award provides over \$988 million in federal funding to Maryland, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, Puerto Rico, U.S. Virgin Islands, Virginia, West Virginia and the District of Columbia. These funds are being provided to reimburse costs associated with emergency protective measures taken by governments to store, handle, transport, distribute and administer vaccines to reduce the spread the of the virus.

Emergency protective measures include providing emergency medical supplies, commodities, transportation, staffing for medical and support staff, onsite infection control measures and emergency medical care to address allergic reactions to the vaccine or other emergency medical needs that may arise during the administration of the vaccine.

"FEMA has acted quickly to get crucial funding to our state partners as we work together to contain the spread of the virus and protect the public and frontline medical workers," said ------- Acting FEMA Administrator Bob Fenton. "Getting resources out to expand and accelerate efforts is our top priority, and FEMA will work side by side with all our federal, state, local, tribal and territorial partners until this mission is complete."

Funding to governments are 100% federally funded and are as follows:

New York \$466,800,000 million New Jersey \$216,000,000 million \$76,656,000 million Puerto Rico ■ U.S. Virgin Islands \$2,506,200 million Virginia \$2,283,147 million Maryland \$219,525,891 million Pennsylvania \$1,622,908 million West Virginia \$1,071,638 million



■ Washington, D.C. \$2,349,375 million

The funding will also help support standing up community vaccinations sites, provide PPE, other equipment and supplies required for storing, handling, distributing, transporting and administering COVID-19 vaccines from now until April 30, 2021.

Grants for emergency protective measures are funded through <u>FEMA's Public</u>
<u>Assistance grant program</u>, which reimburses communities for actions taken in the immediate response and during recovery from a disaster. Eligible applicants include states, federally recognized tribal governments, U.S. territories, local governments and certain private non-profit organizations.

