

FEMA Provides an Additional \$108 Million to Colorado For COVID-19 Response

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DENVER – The Federal Emergency Management Agency has provided more than \$108 million in additional Public Assistance funding for the COVID-19 response in Colorado. The assistance was made available under a major disaster declaration issued March 28, 2020. FEMA has provided a total of \$514 Million for the Colorado COVID-19 response to date.

President Biden approved a cost share increase from 75% to 100% for projects related to the pandemic response that include work completed between January 20, 2020 and September 30, 2021. This approval allowed FEMA to reimburse states, cities and other partners for 100% of eligible costs. This funding announcement represents the remaining 25% cost share for 9 projects that were previously funded by FEMA.

The \$108 million was approved for COVID-19 associated costs, contracts, and facilities:

- Colorado DHS and Emergency Management: \$19.4 million
- The City and County of Denver: \$9.7 million
- Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment: \$79.4 million

This funding is authorized under the January 21, 2021 Presidential Memorandum for the Secretary of Defense & the Secretary of Homeland Security and Section 403 of the Robert T. Stafford Act.

For the COVID-19 response, FEMA has simplified the Public Assistance application and funding process to address the magnitude of this event and to allow local officials to receive eligible funding more quickly. These reimbursements



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play a critical role as state, local and tribal officials work tirelessly to assist their communities during this response.

Additional information about FEMA's Public Assistance program can be found at www.fema.gov/assistance/public.



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