

FEMA COVID-19 Funeral Assistance Nears \$364 Million

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WASHINGTON – FEMA has provided nearly \$364 million to 54,000 people for COVID-19 related funeral costs.

The national average for an award is \$6,756, as nearly 2,500 FEMA employees continue working with applicants to manually review every application, determining eligibility each week. Eligibility determinations are not driven by state/location; instead, they are based on when the applicant submits all required documentation.

"Applications" in the below chart reflect the number of individuals who called to begin the process for assistance. Once an individual applies, FEMA sends a letter outlining the required documentation needed to process their application. The process to determine eligibility starts after an applicant submits all required documentation. FEMA developed a process to ensure applicants have ample time to collect and submit required documents for assistance. While some jurisdictions provide or amend death certificates in four to six weeks, others may take longer. FEMA will make calls and send additional letters reminding applicants of the required documents.

Please find below state-specific information:

State/Territory	Applications	Amount Approved	Number of Awards
ALABAMA	5,080	\$8,517,563	1,203
ALASKA	106	\$83,416	14
AMERICAN SAMOA	5	\$0	0



ARIZONA	3,745	\$3,728,630	682
ARKANSAS	2,136	\$3,227,550	492
CALIFORNIA	24,139	\$ 32,113,216	4,822
COLORADO	1,645	\$1,663,141	288
COMMONWEALTH OF THE NORTHERN MARIANAS	4	\$4,344	1
CONNECTICUT	2,784	\$5,983,318	841
DELAWARE	679	\$975,302	150
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA	447	\$783,775	111
FLORIDA	12,646	\$18,271,829	3,165
GEORGIA	8,378	\$13,527,512	1,938
GUAM	10	\$20,436	3
HAWAII	214	\$183,471	30
IDAHO	448	\$584,527	101
ILLINOIS	9,379	\$17,877,215	2,581



INDIANA	3,861	\$5,701,344	791
IOWA	2,028	\$4,402,880	596
KANSAS	1,855	\$3,577,671	523
KENTUCKY	2,972	\$4,521,202	621
LOUISIANA	4,152	\$6,414,714	918
MAINE	275	\$294,742	61
MARYLAND	4,457	\$7,075,240	1,031
MASSACHUSETTS	4,611	\$7,714,294	1,085
MICHIGAN	7,575	\$11,514,049	1,871
MINNESOTA	2,126	\$4,003,097	571
MISSISSIPPI	3,647	\$4,465,357	638
MISSOURI	3,824	\$5,621,381	835
MONTANA	382	\$299,542	62
NEBRASKA	952	\$2,068,622	282



NEVADA	1,898	\$2,096,039	377
NEW HAMPSHIRE	535	\$738,784	122
NEW JERSEY	9,673	\$15,434,766	2,179
NEW MEXICO	1,233	\$1,096,672	203
NEW YORK	20,956	\$35,428,393	4,979
NORTH CAROLINA	6,569	\$12,278,931	1,842
NORTH DAKOTA	554	\$832,293	108
OHIO	7,668	\$16,334,400	2,507
OKLAHOMA	3,134	\$5,665,062	836
OREGON	645	\$870,538	170
PENNSYLVANIA	10,320	\$19,968,529	3,025
PUERTO RICO	942	\$155,126	39
RHODE ISLAND	973	\$2,098,631	298
SOUTH CAROLINA	4,622	\$7,679,375	1,073



SOUTH DAKOTA	587	\$1,149,332	146
TENNESSEE	5,518	\$8,656,867	1,220
TEXAS	20,188	\$39,979,868	5,993
UNITED STATES VIRGIN ISLANDS	20	\$29,885	4
UTAH	834	\$1,481,838	212
VERMONT	112	\$172,290	29
VIRGINIA	4,891	\$8,164,762	1,188
WASHINGTON	1,427	\$1,686,491	295
WEST VIRGINIA	1,149	\$1,619,371	226
WISCONSIN	3,663	\$4,517,008	640
WYOMING	197	\$399,988	68

Applicants may apply by calling 844-684-6333 from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. ET, Monday through Friday. Multilingual services are available. Applicants who use a relay service, such as a videophone, InnoCaption or CapTel, should provide FEMA with the specific number assigned to them for that service so that agency representatives are able to contact them. Please note, phone calls from FEMA may come from an unidentified number. Additional information about [COVID-19 funeral assistance](#), including [frequently asked questions](#), is available on [FEMA.gov](#).

