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SUBJECT: Fiscal Year (FY) 2021 Regional Catastrophic Preparedness
Grant Program (RCPGP) Award Announcement

Today, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), a component of the Department of Homeland Security, is announcing the final awards and allocations under the FY 2021 RCPGP. The total amount of funds allocated for the FY 2021 RCPGP is \$12 million.

The FY 2021 RCPGP, as appropriated by the *Department of Homeland Security Appropriations Act, 2021* (Pub. L. No. 116-260), provides funding to close known capability gaps, encourage innovative regional solutions to issues related to catastrophic incidents, and build on existing regional preparedness efforts. For FY 2021, FEMA continues to emphasize regional pandemic preparedness as a program objective, with a specific focus on addressing the [Community Lifelines](#) and [Core Capabilities](#) that are essential to pandemic preparedness. This includes encouraging applicants to consider the needs of socially vulnerable populations in their preparedness planning endeavors. Finally, recognizing the value of all-hazards emergency preparedness planning and consistent with the objectives of the FY 2021 RCPGP, applicants were also permitted to consider projects that improve capability levels in the Food, Water, and Sheltering Community Lifeline as measured in the Housing or Logistics and Supply Chain Management core capabilities.

Through regional collaboration, the RCPGP supports the development and delivery of projects that address Community Lifelines, which are critical to managing catastrophic incidents. Stabilizing and restoring lifelines in catastrophes requires solutions that go beyond scaling up existing plans and capabilities to maximize the creative power of cross-sector coordination while respecting the roles of private sector partners and agency authorities at all levels of government. To this end, RCPGP applicants were encouraged to develop projects that build a continuous cycle of planning, organizing, training, and exercising with regional partners across the whole community to improve their collective readiness posture.

Eligible FY 2021 RCPGP applicants were limited to local governments (as defined by 2 C.F.R. § 200.1) located within one of the 100 most populous Metropolitan Statistical Areas (MSAs), per the Census Bureau’s 2019 Population Estimates. In addition, states or territories (as defined by 2 C.F.R. § 200.1) were eligible to apply with advance support from one or more of the 100 most populous MSAs located within the state or territory. FEMA received a total of 22 applications that were deemed eligible for competitive review. The selected FY 2021 RCPGP recipients and award amounts are provided in the table below.

Grant Recipient	Award Amount
City of Chicago (Illinois)	\$935,435
City of Dallas (Texas)	\$945,859
City of El Paso (Texas)	\$888,105
City of Houston (Texas)	\$463,543
City of Los Angeles (California)	\$945,859
City of Philadelphia (Pennsylvania)	\$945,859
City of San Antonio (Texas)	\$543,870
City of San Francisco (California)	\$945,818
District of Columbia	\$936,400
Pierce County (Washington)	\$851,273
State of Hawaii	\$945,859
State of Idaho	\$662,101
State of New Jersey	\$748,931
State of Oklahoma	\$852,625
State of Oregon	\$388,463
Total:	\$12,000,000

Additional details on the FY 2021 RCPGP are located at [Regional Catastrophic Preparedness Grants](#). For more information you may also contact: FEMA-RCPGP@fema.dhs.gov.