

INTRODUCTION

The purpose of the EMPG is to assist state and local governments in enhancing and sustaining all-hazards emergency management capabilities. North Carolina uses EMPG to enhance its ability and to help counties support emergency management activities while simultaneously addressing issues of national concern as identified in the National Priorities of the National Preparedness Guidelines. EMPG Program funding is dependent upon the federal availability of funds and the total funding varies from year to year. EMPG has a 50 percent federal and 50 percent state cost-share cash or in-kind match requirement. The in-kind match is also a requirement of the states EMPG sub-grants to its counties and the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians.

North Carolina's EMPG program provides its counties and the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians an opportunity to apply for baseline and supplemental funding. In an effort to align efforts between the State and local emergency management, specific programmatic deliverables are identified and agreed to by both parties. To be eligible for baseline funding, applicants must agree to complete certain universal programmatic deliverables during a specified period of performance. To be eligible for EMPG supplemental funding, applicants must have applied for baseline funding and agreed to complete at least one optional program activity during the specified period of performance.

<u>Contact</u>: NC Department of Public Safety, Strategic Planning Branch Manager, 919/825-2290 https://www.nccrimecontrol.org/Index2.cfm?a=000003,000010,001756

HAZARD MITIGATION GRANT PROGRAM (HMGP)

The Federal Disaster Assistance Act (Stafford Act) provides funds authorized by the federal government and made available by FEMA for a cost-share program to states. The HMGP provides 75% of the funds while the states provide 25% of the funds for mitigation measures through the post-disaster planning process. The Division of Emergency Management administers the program in this state. The state share may be met with cash or in-kind services. The program is available only for areas affected by a Presidentially-declared disaster.

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FLOOD MITIGATION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (FMAP)

The Flood Mitigation Assistance (FMA) program uses cost-effective measures to reduce or eliminate the long-term risk of flood damage to buildings, manufactured homes, and other structures insured under the National Flood Insurance Program. Eligible activities include acquisition, structure demolition, or structure relocation with the property deed restricted for open space uses in perpetuity. Elevating structures, dry flood-proofing of non-residential structures, and minor structural flood control activities are also eligible. Properties must be insured at the time of application. The FMAP is available to eligible communities every year, not just after a Presidentially-declared disaster. Funds for the FMAP are provided by FEMA and the Division of Emergency Management administers the program in North Carolina.

<u>Contact</u>: NC Department of Public Safety, Division of Emergency Management, 919-825-2500 http://www.fema.gov/flood-mitigation-assistance-grant-program

PRE-DISASTER MITIGATION (PDM)

The Pre-Disaster Mitigation (PDM) provides funds for hazard mitigation planning and implementing mitigation projects prior to a disaster. Such projects reduce overall risks for people and property and reduce reliance on disaster recovery funds. Eligible activities include: acquiring property (i.e. structures and land, where necessary) for open space conversion; relocating public or private structures; elevating existing public or private structures to avoid flooding; retrofitting structures (e.g., storm shutters, hurricane clips, bracing systems) to meet/exceed applicable building codes; constructing safe rooms (tornado and severe wind shelters) that meet FEMA requirements; conducting hydrologic and hydraulic studies/analyses, engineering studies and drainage studies related to a mitigation project; and managing vegetation management to restore dunes, wildfire, or snow avalanche.

<u>Contact</u>: NC Department of Public Safety, Division of Emergency Management, 919-825-2500 http://www.fema.gov/pre-disaster-mitigation-grant-program

HAZARDOUS MATERIALS EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS (HMEP)

This program provides financial and technical assistance to enhance State, Territorial, Tribal, and local hazardous materials emergency planning and training. The HMEP Grant Program distributes funds to emergency responders for hazmat training and to Local Emergency Planning Committees (LEPC's) for hazmat planning.

<u>Contact</u>: US Department of Transportation, Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration, 202/366-1109, http://phmsa.dot.gov/hazmat

HOMELAND SECURITY GRANT PROGRAM (HSGP)

The Homeland Security Grant Program (HSGP) is a primary funding mechanism for building and sustaining national preparedness capabilities. The HSGP is comprised of distinct funding streams.

State Homeland Security Program (SHSP) supports building and sustaining capabilities at the state and local levels through planning, equipment, training, and exercise activities and helps states to implement the strategic goals and objectives included in state homeland security strategies. SHSP provides funding to all 56 states and territories based on a combination of formula, risk, and effectiveness.

Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI) funds address the unique multi-disciplinary planning, operations, equipment, training, and exercise needs of high-threat, high-density urban areas. This program provides funding to high-risk urban areas based on risk and effectiveness.

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COMMERCIAL EQUIPMENT DIRECT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (CEDAP)

CEDAP complements the FEMA National Preparedness Directorate's other major grant programs to enhance regional response capabilities, mutual aid, and interoperable communications by providing technology and equipment, together with training and technical assistance required to operate that equipment, to public safety agencies in smaller jurisdictions and certain metropolitan areas. Eligible applicants include law enforcement agencies, fire, and other emergency responders who demonstrate that the equipment will be used to improve their ability and capacity to respond to a major critical incident or work with other first responders. Awardees must not have received equipment/funding under the Urban Areas Security Initiative or the Assistance to Firefighters Grants program. Organizations must submit applications through the Responder Knowledge Base website.

<u>Contact</u>: NC Department of Public Safety, Division of Emergency Management, 919-825-2500 https://www.nccrimecontrol.org/Index2.cfm?a=000003,000010,000021,000362

ASSISTANCE TO FIREFIGHTERS GRANT PROGRAM

Through the Federal Emergency Management Agency, this program provides four grant categories to assist state, local, and tribal Fire Departments with funding necessary for training, equipment purchase, vehicle acquisition, public awareness, code enforcement, arson prevention, and the like.

Contact: FEMA, 866/274-0960, http://www.usfa.fema.gov/grants

UASI NON-PROFIT SECURITY GRANT PROGRAM (NSGP)

The Department of Homeland Security's (DHS) Urban Areas Security Initiative (UASI) Nonprofit Security Grant Program (NSGP) is an important component of the Administration's larger, coordinated effort to strengthen the Nation's overall level of preparedness. NSGP provides funding to strengthen the security of nonprofit organizations that are deemed at high risk of a potential terrorist attack and are located within one of the specific UASI-eligible urban areas.

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PORT SECURITY GRANT PROGRAM (PSGP)

The PSGP provides grant funding to port areas for the protection of critical port infrastructure from terrorism. PSGP funds help ports enhance their risk management capabilities, domain awareness, training and exercises, and capabilities to prevent, detect, respond to, and recover from attacks involving improvised explosive devices and other non-conventional weapons.

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TRANSIT SECURITY GRANT PROGRAM (TSGP)

The TSGP provides grants to the Nation's key high-threat Urban Areas to enhance security measures for their critical transit infrastructure including bus, rail, and ferry systems. The TSGP also provides funding to Amtrak for continued security enhancements for its intercity rail operations between key, high-risk Urban Areas throughout the United States.

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COMPETITIVE TRAINING GRANT PROGRAM (CTGP)

The Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Federal Emergency Management Agency's (FEMA) Competitive Training Grant Program (CTGP) is an important component of the Administration's larger, coordinated effort to strengthen homeland security preparedness. The CTGP awards funds to competitively selected applicants to develop and deliver innovative training programs addressing high priority national homeland security training needs. The CTGP demonstrates FEMA's commitment to work closely with the Nation's homeland security stakeholders in a unified national effort to continuously expand training opportunities that address the evolving national risk environment.

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COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) DISASTER RECOVERY INITIATIVE

The CDBG program provides grants to communities for post-disaster hazard mitigation and recovery following a presidential declaration of a Major Disaster of Emergency. Funds can be used for activities such as acquisition, rehabilitation, or reconstruction of damaged properties and facilities and redevelopment of disaster-affected areas. Funds may also be used for emergency response activities, such as debris clearance and demolition and extraordinary increases in the level of necessary public services. HUD provides funds for the CDBG program, and with the help of the Division of Community Assistance administers the program in North Carolina.

Contact: US HUD

http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD?src=/hudprograms/disaster-recovery

CLEAN WATER MANAGEMENT TRUST FUND

An agency of the North Carolina Department of Environment and Natural Resources (NCDENR), the Clean Water Management Trust Fund (CWMTF) provides grants for enhancement and restoration of degraded waters. In addition, funding is provided for development of buffers and greenways near rivers for environmental, educational, and recreational needs.

Contact: CWMTF, 252/830-3222, http://www.cwmtf.net

COMMUNITY FACILITIES DIRECT LOAN & GRANT PROGRAM

The US Department of Agriculture (USDA), Rural Housing Service (RHS) provide affordable funding to develop essential community facilities in rural areas. An essential community facility is defined as a facility that provides an essential service to the local community for the orderly development of the community in a primarily rural area, and does not include private, commercial or business undertakings.

<u>Contact</u>: USDA, Bolivia Local Office, 910-253-4448, <u>cynthia.hughes@nc.usda.gov</u> http://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/community-facilities-direct-loan-grant-program

FLOOD INSURANCE

The Federal Emergency Management Agency, Federal Insurance Administration provides the opportunity to purchase flood insurance under the Emergency Program of the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP).

Contact: NFIP, 888/CALL-FLOOD, ext. 445, http://www.fema.gov/nfip

NORTH CAROLINA WETLANDS RESTORATION PROGRAM

This program, through the North Carolina Department of Environmental Quality (NCDEQ), Division of Water Quality, provides in-kind services for the restoration of wetlands and for increased effectiveness of wetland mitigation efforts.

Contact: NCDEQ, 919-707-8976, http://portal.ncdenr.org/web/eep/wetlands-restoration-program

PARKS AND RECREATION TRUST FUND (PARTF)

Through the NCDEQ Division of Parks & Recreation, this program provides dollar-for-dollar matching grants to local governments for parks and recreational projects to serve the public. PARTF is the primary source of funding to build and renovate facilities in the state parks as well as to buy land for new and existing parks.

<u>Contact</u>: NCDEQ Division of Parks & Recreation, 919/707-9300, <u>parkinfo@ncmail.net</u> http://www.ncparks.gov/more-about-us/parks-recreation-trust-fund

RECREATIONAL TRAILS PROGRAM (RTP)

Through the Federal Highway Administration and the NC Division of Parks and Recreation - State Trails Program, this program provides grant funding for trails and trail-related recreational needs at the State level. RTP requires a 25 percent match and is a reimbursement grant program.

<u>Contact</u>: NCDEQ Division of Parks and Recreation, 919/707-9326, <u>robert.taber@ncparks.gov</u> <u>http://www.ncparks.gov/more-about-us/grants/trail-grants</u>

LAND AND WATER CONSERVATION FUND (LWCF)

The Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF) has historically been a primary funding source of the U.S. Department of the Interior for outdoor recreation development and land acquisition by local governments and state agencies. In North Carolina, the program is administered by the Department of Environment and Natural Resources. To be eligible for LWCF assistance, every state must prepare and regularly update a statewide comprehensive outdoor recreation plan (SCORP). The SCORP includes inventories or assessments of current recreation resources (local, state and federal) within a state, identifies needs and new opportunities for outdoor recreation improvements and sets forth a five-year action agenda to meet the goals identified by its citizens and elected leaders. Historically, North Carolina's LWCF annual allocation has been split 60/40 between local governments and state agencies.

<u>Contact</u>: Recreation Resources Service, 919/515-7118 http://www.ncparks.gov/more-about-us/grants/lwcf-grants

PHYSICAL DISASTER LOANS

The Small Business Administration (SBA) offers low-interest disaster loans to businesses of all sizes, private non-profit organizations, homeowners, and renters. SBA disaster loans can be used to repair or replace the following items damaged or destroyed in a declared disaster: real estate, personal property, machinery and equipment, and inventory and business assets.

Contact: SBA, 800/827-5722

https://www.sba.gov/category/navigation-structure/loans-grants/small-business-loans/disaster-loans

PROPERTY IMPROVEMENT LOAN INSURANCE

The US Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) insures lenders against loss on loans for alterations, repairs and improvements to existing structures and new construction of nonresidential structures.

Contact: HUD, 202/708-1112, http://www.hud.gov/

PUBLIC ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (PA)

The Public Assistance provides federal aid to communities to help save lives and property in the immediate aftermath of a disaster and to help rebuild damaged facilities. Grants cover eligible costs associated with the repair, replacement, and restoration of facilities owned by state and local governments and nonprofit organizations. The Public Assistance program is administered by FEMA.

Contact: FEMA, http://www.fema.gov/public-assistance-local-state-tribal-and-non-profit

RESOURCE CONSERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT

The US Department of Agriculture, Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) provides technical and limited financial assistance to communities for resource conservation projects including land conservation, water management, and environmental enhancement.

Contact: NRCS, http://www.nrcs.usda.gov/wps/portal/nrcs/main/national/programs/financial/

SNAGGING AND CLEARING FOR FLOOD CONTROL

The Office of the Chief of Engineers, Department of the Army, Department of Defense provides this service in order to reduce flood control.

Contact: http://www.usace.army.mil

SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION

The US Department of Agriculture, Natural Resources Conservation Service provides this in-kind service in order to provide for the conservation, development and productive use of the nation's soil, water, and related resources.

Contact: USDA, NRCS, http://www.nrcs.usda.gov

URBAN PARK AND RECREATION RECOVERY PROGRAM

This program of the Department of the Interior, National Park Service (NPS) provides grants for local governments for improvements in park system management and recreational opportunities.

Contact: NPS, 404/562-3175, http://www.nps.gov/uprr/

WATERSHED PROTECTION AND FLOOD PREVENTION LOANS

This US Department of Agriculture, Rural Utilities Services (RUS) program provides loans to local organizations for the local share of costs for watershed improvement. Funding includes support for drainage, flood prevention and sedimentation control.

<u>Contact</u>: RUS, <u>http://www.rurdev.usda.gov/Home.html</u>

WATERSHED SURVEYS AND PLANNING

The US Department of Agriculture, Natural Resources Conservation Service provides technical and financial assistance for sharing costs of watershed protection measures, including flood prevention, sedimentation control and recreation.

Contact: NRCS, http://www.nrcs.usda.gov/wps/portal/nrcs/main/national/programs/landscape/wsp/