

Federal Funding Opportunity

FEMA Public Assistance Grant

COVID-19 Pandemic DR - 4488

Information and Resources

Why is federal funding available?

At the request of New Jersey Governor Phil Murphy, the President declared a major disaster declaration for the State of New Jersey on March 24, 2020, in response to the COVID-19 Pandemic. Link: <https://www.fema.gov/disaster/4488>

What is the FEMA Public Assistance Grant?

FEMA Public Assistance is a federal grant that provides reimbursement for disaster related expenses. FEMA Public Assistance is limited to 75% reimbursement. The eligible applicant is responsible for 25% of the total cost. The New Jersey Office of Emergency Management (NJOEM) Public Assistance Unit, within the New Jersey State Police, serves as the grantee for this federal funding.

Who is eligible?

Eligible grant applicants include state agencies, local governments, and certain non-profit organizations.

A Private Nonprofit (PNP) must have “an effective ruling letter from the U.S. Internal Revenue Service, granting tax exemption under sections 501(c), (d), or (e) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, or satisfactory evidence from the State that the non-revenue producing organization or entity is a nonprofit one organized or doing business under State law.” Additionally, for a PNP operated facility to be eligible, the PNP must demonstrate the facility provides a critical service or provides a non-critical, but essential government service and is open to the general public. A facility that provides a critical service is defined as one used for an educational, utility, emergency, or medical purpose.

What IS eligible?

FEMA may provide reimbursement for emergency protective measures, which are actions taken that save lives or protect public health or safety, if not funded by the HHS/CDC or other federal agency. Final reimbursement determinations will be coordinated by HHS and FEMA.

What is NOT Eligible?

- Loss of Revenue
- Loss of Useful Service Life
- Tax Assessments
- Increased Operating Costs

How do you apply?

Please visit the New Jersey Emergency Management Grants Portal to apply:

<https://njemgrants.org/site/rpasubmission.cfm>

What's next?

To learn more about the FEMA Public Assistance grant, please attend one of the scheduled "Orientation Session" webinars listed below, hosted by the NJOEM Public Assistance Unit.

Orientation Sessions

Orientation Session #1 (30 min)

Mon, 6/1/2020 11am

Mon, 6/1/2020 3pm

Orientation Session #2 (30 min)

Wed, 6/3/2020 11am

Wed, 6/3/2020 6pm

Orientation Session #3 (30 min)

Fri, 6/5/2020 11am

Fri, 6/5/2020 3pm

Link - <https://share.dhs.gov/fema-public-assistance-orientation>

Future webinars will be scheduled to provide more detailed information.

Resources

NJOEM Public Assistance Information Page for COVID-19 -

<https://njemgrants.org/site/COVID-19%20PA%20Info.cfm>

Questions

Contact the NJOEM Public Assistance Unit at publicassistance@njsp.org.

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