Federal Emergency Management Agency/Department of Homeland Security

Pre-Disaster Mitigation (PDM) Program

Eligible Uses

Hazard Mitigation Planning and Mitigation Projects

At a Glance

FEMA provides Pre-Disaster Mitigation (PDM) Program grants to help plan and direct hazard mitigation projects before a disaster. Funding these plans and projects reduces overall risk to the population and structures. Funded projects also reduce the need for federal funding in actual disasters.

FEMA gives funding to states, territories and tribes in line with applicable law and current budget. PDM grants are competitive.

Receivers

State, territorial and tribal governments and certain non-profits may apply. Homeowners and businesses may not apply but a community may apply on their behalf.

Eligible Activities

The PDM allows buying property and destroying, moving or lifting structures. It also allows dry flood proofing of non-residential structures, small local flood reduction projects and remodeling of existing buildings and facilities.

Other types of projects allowed are safe room construction, infrastructure retrofit, soil stabilization, and hazard mitigation planning.

Cost Sharing

Federal: up to 75 percent. Non-federal: 25 percent.

"Small and impoverished communities" as defined in Section 203 of the Stafford Act may receive 90 percent federal share.

Applications

States are responsible for selecting and directing mitigation activities. Funds for the PDM program are limited. The state point of contact for the PDM program is the State Hazard Mitigation Officer (SHMO).

More Sources and Contact Information

FEMA Pre-Disaster Mitigation Program www.fema.gov/pre-disaster-mitigation-grant-program

State Hazard Mitigation Officers (listed by State) www.fema.gov/state-hazard-mitigation-officers

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