



# Homeland Security

## Fiscal Year 2020 Emergency Management Performance Grant Program

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### Overview

The Fiscal Year (FY) 2020 Emergency Management Performance Grant (EMPG) Program is one of the grant programs that constitute the Department of Homeland Security (DHS)/Federal Emergency Management Agency's (FEMA's) focus on all-hazards emergency preparedness. These grant programs are part of a comprehensive set of measures authorized by Congress and implemented by DHS. Among the five basic homeland security missions noted in the 2018 DHS Quadrennial Homeland Security Review, EMPG supports the goal to Strengthen National Preparedness and Resilience.

*In Fiscal Year 2020, DHS is providing \$355,100,000 to assist state, local, tribal, and territorial governments in developing their emergency management capabilities and for all-hazards preparedness activities*

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### Funding

In FY 2020, the EMPG program provides \$355,100,000 to assist state, local, tribal, and territorial governments in preparing for all hazards, as authorized by the *Stafford Act*. This funding amount includes \$100,000 from the Disaster Relief Fund, which FEMA must make available to the Federated States of Micronesia and the Republic of the Marshall Islands pursuant to Article X of the *Federal Programs and Services Agreement of the Compact of Free Association Act* (Pub. L. No. 108-188).

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### Eligibility

All 56 states and territories, as well as the Republic of the Marshall Islands and the Federated States of Micronesia (collectively "state or territory"), are eligible to apply for FY 2020 EMPG program funds. Either the State Administrative Agency (SAA) or the State's Emergency Management Agency (EMA) is eligible to apply directly to FEMA for EMPG funds on behalf of each state or territory. However, only one application is accepted from each state or territory.

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### Funding Guidelines

EMPG awards are based on Section 662 of the *Post-Katrina Emergency Management Reform Act of 2006*, as amended, (6 U.S.C. § 762). All 50 states, the District of Columbia, and Puerto Rico each receive a base amount of 0.75 percent of the total available funding appropriated for the EMPG Program. Four territories (American Samoa, Guam, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, and the U.S. Virgin Islands) receive a base amount of 0.25 percent of the total available funding appropriated for the EMPG Program. The remaining balance of the funds appropriated for the EMPG funds are distributed on a population-share basis. Pursuant to Article X of the Federal

Programs and Services Agreement of the *Compact of Free Association Act* (Pub. L. No. 108-188), a set amount of funds (\$100,000 total) are also available from the Disaster Relief Fund for the Federated States of Micronesia and for the Republic of the Marshall Islands.

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## **Application Process**

Applying for an award under the EMGP is a multi-step process:

Eligible applicants must submit their initial application at least seven days prior to the April 15, 2020 (at 5 p.m. ET) application deadline through the Grants.gov portal at <http://www.grants.gov>. Applicants needing Grants.gov support should contact the Grants.gov customer support hotline at (800) 518-4726.

Eligible applicants will be notified by FEMA and asked to proceed with submitting their complete application package in the [Non-Disaster \(ND\) Grants System](#) by the application deadline. Applicants needing technical support with the ND Grants System should contact [ndgrants@fema.dhs.gov](mailto:ndgrants@fema.dhs.gov) or (800) 865-4076, Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. – 6 p.m. ET.

Completed applications must be submitted no later than 5 p.m. ET on April 15, 2020.

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## **EMPG Resources**

There are a variety of resources available to address programmatic, technical, and financial questions, which can assist with the EMPG.

- The FY 2020 EMGP Notice of Funding Opportunity is located online at <http://www.fema.gov/grants> as well as on <http://www.grants.gov>.
- For additional program-specific information, please contact the Centralized Scheduling and Information Desk (CSID) help line at (800) 368-6498 or [AskCSID@fema.dhs.gov](mailto:AskCSID@fema.dhs.gov). CSID hours of operation are from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. ET, Monday through Friday.
- For support regarding financial grant management and budgetary technical assistance, applicants may contact the DHS/FEMA Grant Operations Help Desk via e-mail to [ASK-GMD@fema.dhs.gov](mailto:ASK-GMD@fema.dhs.gov).
- The FEMA Regions also provide technical assistance to EMPG Program primary recipients. A list of contacts in the FEMA Regions is available at <https://www.fema.gov/fema-regional-contacts>.