FEMA Hazard Mitigation Assistance Grants

Briefing for District Government Agencies
Overview

- 2020 Hazard Mitigation Funded Projects
- 2021 Hazard Mitigation Assistance Opportunities
  - Hazard Mitigation Grant Program – COVID-19
  - Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities Program
  - Flood Mitigation Assistance Program
- 2021 Application Submission and Collaboration Process
- Next Step & Office Hours
DPR/OP - Resilient Parks Tool And Assessments totaling $187,500 in federal share, $60,000 local

HSEMA/OP - Resilience Focus Area Program totaling $112,500 in federal share, $35,825 local

DC Water/MWCOG/HSEMA - Power Resilient Onsite Generation totaling $300,000 in federal share, $95,500 local

Highlights

- BRIC supports projects that reduce risks from disasters and natural hazards.
- In FY 2020, FEMA offered $500 million nationwide in hazard mitigation funding.
- Of this, states were allocated up to $600,000 in non-competitive funding.
- DC’s non-competitive projects are listed to the left.
2020 Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities (BRIC) Awards - Competitive

- OP – Blue/Green Storm Water Flood Mitigation in Southwest totaling $18,612,178 in federal share, $6,169,406 local
- OUC/DPMED/DGS – Saint Elizabeth’s Hospital Campus & DC Emergency Communications Microgrid Project totaling $19,948,639 in federal share, $6,566,198 local

Highlights
- 53 states and territories applied for BRIC. Only 6 states, including the District, will receive more than $30M in federal share.
  - The top states receiving funding, in order, are CA, NJ, WA, DC, SC, MD
  - All 22 projects that were selected funded large-scale infrastructure improvements.
    - 17 out of the 22 projects had a higher cost share than the standard 75/25.
    - Of the 22 projects, 12 were Phased Projects. The District accounts for 2 out of the 12 Phased Projects that were selected.
2020 Flood Mitigation Assistance Awards - Competitive

- DOEE - FMA Watts Branch Flood Mitigation Concept Design Plan totaling $600,000 in federal share, $200,000 local

Highlights

- The Flood Mitigation Assistance Program is a competitive grant program that can be used for projects that reduce flood risk.
- In FY 2020, FEMA offered $200 million nationwide in FMA.
## 2021 Funding Outlook

In FY 2021 FEMA is making funding available for the following programs. HSEMA can help you determine if your project is a good fit and which source is right for you.

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<td><strong>Available Funding</strong></td>
<td>$3.46 billion nationally with 14.3M allocated for projects</td>
<td>1B nationally with $1M allocated and $50M available per project for DC</td>
<td>$160M nationally with 900K cap per project scoping projects and $30M available per projects for DC</td>
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<td><strong>Eligibility</strong></td>
<td>Prioritizes infrastructure projects, especially those that use nature-based solutions and protect critical facilities adapting to future conditions</td>
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2021 Project Selection Process

- August - Identify your agency’s project ideas internally.
- September - Meet with HSEMA about your project ideas and refine scope of work based on discussion.
  - The earlier we have a strong scope of work, the more likely we can move the project forward
- October - December: HSEMA will make final determinations on eligibility, may reach out to ask for more information, and will work with agencies to develop applications for selected projects.
DC Funding Priorities

- Projects that reduce risks associated with climate change including increase flooding
- Projects that address residential vulnerabilities such as mitigating repetitive loss structures affected by flooding
- Projects that help critical facilities that adapt to future conditions and reduce risk through microgrids, flood protection, and other infrastructure protection measures
- Projects with an increased non-federal cost share of above the 75/25 split
- Projects submitted in FY 2020 that met all programmatic requirements but did not get selected
Office Prep
Sept. 7 – 24

- Prep questions and topics
  - Does the idea solve a problem?
  - Is there someone to coordinate and lead the effort?
  - Is there support to implement and maintain the project?
  - Are there equity issues involved that would mean that one segment of a community is treated unfairly?
  - Consider collaborating with agency colleagues to develop project ideas
  - Have you sought partnership opportunities that will leverage resources and enhance opportunities to implement the idea

- Reminder: Schedule 1:1 office hour by September 24
- Resource: FEMA Mitigation idea portfolio