

# Notice of Funding Opportunity for Fiscal Year 2024 Flood Mitigation Assistance Program

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FEMA will make \$600 million available for the Flood Mitigation Assistance grant program for fiscal year (FY) 2024 to reduce the risk of repetitive flood damage to buildings insured by the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP).

## Flood Mitigation Assistance Program Priorities

This application cycle has three funding priorities:

- **Capacity and Capability Building (C&CB) Activities** which enhance the knowledge, skills, expertise, etc., of the current workforce to expand or improve the administration of the program. These activities may be used to develop future Localized Flood Risk Reduction Projects and/or Individual Flood Mitigation Projects that will subsequently reduce flood insurance claims submitted to the NFIP.
- **Localized Flood Risk Reduction Projects** that address community flood risk for the purpose of reducing NFIP flood claim payments.
- **Individual Flood Mitigation Projects** that mitigate the risk of repetitive and severe flooding to structures insured under the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP).

**Note:** FEMA encourages hazard mitigation projects that meet multiple program priorities.

The FY24 Flood Mitigation Assistance Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) can be accessed at [Grants.gov](https://www.grants.gov). Before applying for the grant, FEMA encourages potential applicants and subapplicants to review program information, other grant applications and administration requirements.

## Grant Cycle Dates

All applications must be received by the deadline. Please note that the deadlines listed refer to application deadlines for the applicants. Subapplicants should consult with their applicant agency to confirm subapplication deadlines.

- **Application Start Date:** Jan. 6, 2025
- **Application Submission Deadline:** April 18, 2025, 3 p.m. ET



## Available Funding

FEMA will distribute up to \$600 million in Flood Mitigation Assistance funding in FY 2024.



**Figure 1: FY 2024 Flood Mitigation Assistance Funding Amounts**

The funding order and funding caps for the priorities are:

- **Capacity and Capability Building (C&CB) Activities:** Up to \$60 million is available to improve the skills and knowledge of the workforce. This helps manage the program better. The funds can support projects that reduce flood insurance claims from the NFIP. These projects are known as Localized Flood Risk Reduction or Individual Flood Mitigation projects. The funding order and caps are:
  - **Mitigation Plans:** Up to \$100,000 per applicant with maximums of \$50,000 for state and \$25,000 for local.
  - **Technical Assistance:** \$50,000 for states to communities.
  - **Project Scoping:** \$900,000 per activity to develop future flood mitigation projects.
  - **Additional Activities:** \$300,000 for other activities, such as: building partnerships for mitigation, improving local floodplain management, creating mitigation strategies for high-risk properties, developing substantial damage procedures, and other eligible activities.
- **Local Flood Risk Reduction Projects:** Up to \$420 million is available to reduce NFIP flood claims within a confined drainage area through measures like upsizing culverts, enhancing flood storage, and floodplain restoration. The funding cap is \$50 million per subapplication.
- **Individual Flood Mitigation Projects:** At least \$120 million for projects that mitigate flood risk to structures, insured by the NFIP, through measures like home elevation, mitigation reconstruction, and property acquisition and conversion to open space. Mitigation Reconstruction has a funding cap of \$220,000 per structure while all other individual flood mitigation projects do not.
- **Federal Cost Share:** A cost share is required for most Flood Mitigation Assistance subapplications. FEMA may contribute the federal cost share funding. Please see below. One factor is the [Centers for Disease Control and Prevention \(CDC\) Social Vulnerability Index \(SVI\) score](#).

- **Applicant and Subapplicant Management Costs:** No more than 10% of the budget can go to applicant management and no more than 5% for subapplicant management costs which both require a federal and non-federal cost share.

The Flood Mitigation Assistance grant program encourages projects that benefit multiple properties in communities that participate in the NFIP and requires that all subapplicants be participating and in “good standing” with the NFIP. Community participation can be verified by visiting the [Community Status Book](#).

## Fiscal Year 2024 Programmatic Changes

For Capability and Capacity Building Activities (C&CB): Subapplications that include a comprehensive strategy for addressing repetitive loss and substantial damage will now receive five additional points during scoring.

## Application Deadlines

To apply for funding, applicants must adhere to the application and funding deadlines. The application period opens on **Jan. 6, 2025**.

Eligible applicants must apply for funding using the FEMA Grants Outcomes (FEMA GO) management system. Applications must be received in the FEMA GO Portal by **April 18, 2025 (3 p.m. ET)**. Applications received by FEMA GO after this date will not be considered for funding.

The application deadlines are for the applicants only; subapplicants should consult with their state, tribal or territorial agency to confirm subapplication deadlines.

Applicants experiencing technical problems outside of their control must notify FEMA by **3 p.m. ET on April 16, 2025**. No new system-related issues will be addressed after this deadline.

## Application Assistance

For technical assistance with the FEMA GO system, contact the FEMA GO Helpdesk at [femago@fema.dhs.gov](mailto:femago@fema.dhs.gov) or (877) 585-3242, Monday through Friday, 9:00 a.m. through 6:00 p.m. ET. For programmatic or grants management questions, contact your Program Analyst or Grants Management Specialist. If applicants do not know who to contact or if there are programmatic questions or concerns, contact the [fema-grants-news@fema.dhs.gov](mailto:fema-grants-news@fema.dhs.gov), Monday through Friday, 9:00 a.m. through 5:00 p.m. ET.

For any subapplications submitted for the FY 2024 cycle that met all programmatic requirements and did not get selected for Flood Mitigation Assistance funding, applicants are encouraged to:

- Repurpose their subapplications to meet current eligibility requirements and apply for the next grant cycle.
- Applicants should also consider applying for other FEMA Hazard Mitigation Assistance grant programs, such as the Building Resilient Infrastructure in Communities (BRIC), Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP), and the Safeguarding Tomorrow Revolving Loan Fund (STRLF) program.

## Additional Resources

General questions about the Flood Mitigation Assistance grant program can be directed to the appropriate [State Hazard Mitigation Officer](#) or [FEMA Regional Office](#).

The HMA Mitigation Action Portfolio includes examples of innovative hazard mitigation projects that address many types of natural hazards and emphasize the importance of collaboration between governments, private-sector entities, and non-governmental organizations to achieve effective hazard mitigation and disaster resilience.

Program Support Materials (PSMs) are being updated to provide additional information on key topics and themes in the FY24 Flood Mitigation Assistance funding opportunity and will be available in the PSM Resources for the [Flood Mitigation Assistance Program](#) webpage.

For more information about this program, visit the [Flood Mitigation Assistance](#) webpage.

### FLOOD MITIGATION ASSISTANCE RESOURCES

- [Flood Risk Reduction Technical Review Job Aid](#)

### NATIONAL FLOOD INSURANCE PROGRAM RESOURCES

- [Hydrologic Numerical Models](#)
- [History and role of the NFIP: An Overview of the National Flood Insurance Program](#)
- [NFIP Data: Publicly available summary data](#)
- [Frequently Asked Questions about NFIP policy/claims data](#)

### PROPERTY ELEVATION AND ACQUISITION JOB AIDS

- [Elevation Job Aid](#)
- [Acquisition & Demolition Job Aid](#)
- [Acquisition & Relocation](#)
- [Highlights of ASCE 24-14 Flood Resistant Design and Construction](#)

### SUBSTANTIAL DAMAGE DETERMINATIONS

- [Substantial Improvement/Substantial Damage Desk Reference](#)
- [Substantial Damage Estimator Tool](#)

## **FEMA RESOURCES**

- [Building Community Resilience with Nature Based Solutions: A Guide for Local Communities](#)
- [Federal Flood Risk Management Standard](#)
- [FEMA Flood Map Service Center](#)
- [FEMA GO System](#)
- [Flood Insurance Mitigation Discount Tool](#)
- [Tribal Mitigation Planning and HMA Grant Application Development](#)

## **ADDITIONAL RESOURCES**

- Environmental Protection Agency: [Inflation Reduction Act Programs to Fight Climate Change by Reducing Embodied Greenhouse Gas Emissions of Construction Materials and Products](#)