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## Hazard Mitigation Grant Program Funds Available Time Sensitive - Respond ASAP Notices of Intent Due No Later than March 26, 2021

Hazard mitigation funding is available in the state of Michigan as a result of federal disaster **DR-4547-MI**. The Michigan State Police, Emergency Management and Homeland Security Division (MSP/EMHSD) is seeking Notice of Intent (NOI) forms—project proposals—for eligible Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP) activities. Though the funding is available statewide, **funding preference will be given to jurisdictions within the declared counties for DR-4547-MI** (Arenac, Gladwin, Iosco, Midland, and Saginaw). Extensive program details can be found in FEMA's [Hazard Mitigation Assistance Unified Guidance document](#) (although this document is labeled "Fiscal Year 2015" guidance, it is the current version of the program guidance). Approximately \$6 million in federal funds will be available.

### Purpose

Hazard mitigation activities are intended to reduce or eliminate future property damages and/or loss of life from natural hazards, such as floods, tornadoes, and storms. FEMA's HMGP provides funds for hazard mitigation planning activities and implementation of mitigation projects. Grants are funded with a 75% federal share and a 25% local match (which may include cash, third-party in-kind services, materials, or any combination thereof).

Some examples of eligible mitigation project activities include voluntary acquisition or elevation of flood-prone residential and non-residential structures; stormwater management projects that reduce flood risk; protective measures for utility infrastructure; construction of safe rooms; retrofit of structures for wind protection; and development of a community all-hazards mitigation plan (or update of an existing hazard mitigation plan). Projects must be cost beneficial for eligibility, meaning the anticipated cost savings from avoided future damages must outweigh the cost of implementing the project. Commonly requested activities that are **not eligible** for this funding include: studies, training, preparedness actions, and generators (except for cost-effective generators that serve hospitals, police stations, fire stations, water and wastewater treatment plants). Examples of completed hazard mitigation projects can be found in [FEMA's HMA Mitigation Action Portfolio](#).

### Eligibility

Eligible applicants for the HMGP include state agencies; Indian tribal governments; local governments/communities, and certain private non-profit organizations. Applicants must have a FEMA approved hazard mitigation plan at the time of application and grant award. Please refer to the Hazard Mitigation Assistance Unified Guidance document for specific eligibility requirements.

### Application Process

To be considered for funding, an applicant must submit a NOI form to the MSP/EMHSD. A completed NOI form will provide basic details about the proposed mitigation activity. To receive the NOI form, please contact the Hazard Mitigation Team (contact information below). The MSP/EMHSD team will review the NOI forms to determine if the activities described are potentially eligible for grant funding. If so, the applicant will be invited to complete a grant application.

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**Deadlines**

- NOI forms must be submitted to the MSP/EMHSD by no later than March 26, 2021.
- Applications are due to the MSP/EMHSD for review by June 4, 2021.

**Do Not Delay**

Applicants should not wait until the deadline to submit NOI forms. The sooner the completed NOI form is submitted, the more time there will be to develop an application.

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