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Governor Cuomo Announces $15.1 Million in Federal Funding to Support Emergency Planning and Response

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Funding Supports Emergency Planning Efforts and Operational Readiness

Deadline for Applications is August 31, 2020

Governor Andrew M. Cuomo today announced $15.1 million in federal funding is being made available to New York State and county emergency management agencies to support planning and operational readiness for any type of disaster New York may experience.

Through the federal Emergency Management Performance Grant, an annual grant program, awardees are able to access funding to support efforts ranging from the development and implementation of trainings and exercises to acquiring emergency response resources. This funding is in addition to a $4.3 million supplemental grant already awarded to the state for similar efforts focused on the COVID-19 pandemic.

"Whether its fighting against an invisible enemy like COVID-19, or helping communities withstand the dangers of extreme weather, local governments play a critical role in emergency management and we need to make every effort to support our local partners and help ensure they have the resources they need to keep New Yorkers safe," **Governor Cuomo said.** "With this funding in hand, our local partners will now be better positioned to protect the communities they serve no matter what this new reality throws at us."

The $15.1 million awarded to New York in FY2020 represents a slight increase in funding from FY2019, when New York was awarded $15.03 million. As in past years, 51 percent of the funding ($7.7 million) will support enhancement of the state's overall readiness and all hazards approach to emergency management. The remaining 49 percent ($7.4 million) is being made available to individual counties based on a population driven formula.

In order to access the funding, local awardees must develop projects or initiatives which strengthen their own readiness and response capabilities to address all hazards. Projects should also focus on addressing any efforts identified by FEMA as needing national improvement. This includes logistics and distribution management planning, evacuation planning, disaster financial management, catastrophic disaster housing and resilient communications.

New York State Homeland Security and Emergency Services Commissioner Patrick A. Murphy said, "Over the past several years, New York has experienced a wide array of emergency situations ranging from natural disasters to terrorism, making it essential emergency management experts have the resources they need to keep communities safe no matter the hazard. This funding not only supports the state's efforts to continuing strengthening our readiness posture, but also provides critical funding to our local partners to further build their capabilities as well."

Working within this framework, funding can be used to support:

- Management and Administration activities;
- Planning;
- Staffing for Emergency Management Agencies;
- Equipment;
- Training and Exercises;
- Construction and Renovation of Emergency Operations Centers; and
- Maintenance and Sustainment of GIS and interoperable communications systems

Ineligible costs include:

- Unallowable Equipment: firearms, ammunition, grenade launchers, bayonets, or weaponized aircraft, vessels, or vehicles of any kind with weapons installed.
- Costs to support the hiring of sworn public safety officers for the purposes of fulfilling traditional public safety duties or to supplant traditional public safety positions and responsibilities.
- Activities and projects unrelated to the completion and implementation of the EMPG Program.

Award amounts available to local emergency management agencies are listed below:

Awardee	**Total Award**
Albany County	$116,987
Allegany County	$23,019
Broome County	$78,847
Cattaraugus County	$34,567
Cayuga County	$34,460
Chautauqua County	$54,663

Chemung County	$37,701
Chenango County	$23,582
Clinton County	$35,234
Columbia County	$28,228
Cortland County	$23,162
Delaware County	$22,663
Dutchess County	$114,515
Erie County	$343,328
Essex County	$19,493
Franklin County	$23,995
Fulton County	$25,443
Genesee County	$27,117
Greene County	$23,120
Hamilton County	$6,780
Herkimer County	$28,751

Jefferson County	$47,788
Lewis County	$14,972
Livingston County	$29,073
Madison County	$32,036
Monroe County	$279,017
Montgomery County	$23,487
Nassau County	$498,124
Niagara County	$84,689
Oneida County	$91,466
Onondaga County	$176,927
Ontario County	$44,733
Orange County	$142,244
Orleans County	$20,787
Oswego County	$49,952
Otsego County	$27,920
Putnam County	$41,706

Rensselaer County	$63,691
Rockland County	$119,742
St. Lawrence County	$46,210
Saratoga County	$85,844
Schenectady County	$61,960
Schoharie County	$17,056
Schuyler County	$11,753
Seneca County	$17,977
Steuben County	$41,441
Suffolk County	$554,750
Sullivan County	$33,548
Tioga County	$23,821
Tompkins County	$42,389
Ulster County	$72,181
Warren County	$29,189

Washington County	$28,272
Wayne County	$39,520
Westchester County	$354,399
Wyoming County	$20,519
Yates County	$14,331
New York City	$3,014,527
Total	**$7,423,696**

The New York State Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services (DHSES) will administer this funding on behalf of FEMA. DHSES will be in contact with each jurisdiction's emergency management office directly to not only ensure all guidance and application documents are in hand, but also to assist with the application process and provide additional information as necessary.

About the Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services

The New York State Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services (http://www.dhses.ny.gov/) provides leadership, coordination and support for efforts to prevent, protect against, prepare for, respond to, and recover from terrorism and other man-made and natural disasters, threats, fires and other emergencies. For more information, visit the DHSES Facebook page (https://protect2.fireeye.com/v1/url?k=7cabe20a-221bbd08-7ca91b3f-ac1f6b44fec6-9d2aca8ff1c497c8&q=1&e=1cef8590-24ba-4326-b3b0-07194ed4de3f&u=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.facebook.com%2FNYSDHSES), follow @NYSDHSES on Twitter (https://twitter.com/NYSDHSES), or Instagram (https://www.instagram.com/nysdhses/?hl=en), or visit dhses.ny.gov (http://www.dhses.ny.gov/).

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