



Oklahoma Department of Emergency Management and Homeland Security

FFY 22 Flood Mitigation Assistance (FMA) Application Guidelines

Purpose:

Federal Fiscal Year 2022 Flood Mitigation Assistance (FMA) Program makes federal funds available through the Flood Mitigation Assistance (FMA) program to state, local, Tribal, and territorial governments to reduce or eliminate the risk of repetitive flood damage to buildings insured under the National Flood Insurance Program

The grant priorities are to:

- Localized Flood Mitigation Projects
- Individual Flood Mitigation Projects
- Capability and Capacity Building

ODEMHS encourages reviewing the detailed program information, grant application and administrative requirements on the FMA page including the NOFO.

[Flood Mitigation Assistance \(FMA\) Grant | FEMA.gov](#)

Cost Share:

Cost share is required for all sub applications funded by the Flood Mitigation Assistance program. Generally, the cost share for this program is 75% federal / 25% non-federal. Contributions of cash, third-party in-kind services, materials, or any combination thereof, may be accepted as part of the non-federal cost share.

Initial Eligibility Information:

- To be eligible for FMA funding, FEMA will require the applicants and sub applicants listed below to have a current FEMA-approved Hazard Mitigation Plan at time of application and award.
- **Eligible sub applicants** include Local Governments, Tribal Governments, State Agencies, and Tribal Agencies.
 - **Projects must:**
 - Be cost effective
 - Located in a participating [NFIP Community](#) (In good standing)
 - Align with the applicable and current approved local hazard mitigation plan
 - Meet all programmatic and environmental and historic preservation (EHP) requirements

Eligible Activities:

FEMA will fund the following uses of assistance through FMA:

- Community Flood Mitigation Projects are local level drainage/flood control projects to improve drainage and reduce flood risk for communities and can include numerous activities such as drainage pipes, pump stations, topographic grading, seawalls, marsh restoration, and other nature-based solutions.
- Individual Structure/Property-Level Flood Mitigation Projects: Individual flood mitigation projects are those that mitigate the risk of flooding to individual NFIP-insured structures and give priority to properties meeting SRL and RL definitions. These project types include Acquisition, Acquisition Relocation, Relocation, Elevation, Mitigation Reconstruction, and Dry floodproofing of historic or commercial structures.
- [Project Scoping](#): Project scoping activities are designed to develop mitigation strategies and obtain data to prioritize, select, and develop complete applications in a timely manner that result in either an improvement in the capability to identify appropriate mitigation projects or in the development of an application-ready mitigation project for FMA or another.
- Technical Assistance: FEMA will select eligible Technical Assistance sub applications up to \$50,000 federal cost share for Recipients to which FEMA obligated at least \$1 million federal share the previous FMA cycle.
- [Flood Mitigation Planning Activities](#): Planning sub applications for the flood hazard component of states, local communities, tribes, and territories hazard mitigation plans and updates to plans are limited to \$100,000 per applicant for flood hazard mitigation planning with maximums of \$50,000 for state flood hazard mitigation planning and \$25,000 for local flood hazard mitigation planning.

Other Eligibility Criteria:

FEMA is partially implementing the Federal Flood Risk Management Standards (Executive Order 14030 – Climate-Related Financial Risks)

- For certain non-critical actions involving structure elevation, dry floodproofing, and mitigation reconstruction in the Special Flood Hazard Area a minimum of the base flood elevation plus 2 feet of freeboard will be required (unless doing so would cause the project to be unable to meet applicable program cost-effectiveness requirements).
- If a state, local, tribal, territorial government, or federal agency has adopted a higher standard applicable to the specific project, FEMA will require the higher standard as the design flood elevation under the American Society of Civil Engineers 24-14 (ASCE 24-14).

For additional information on eligibility, view the full FY22 FMA NOFO, accessible at <https://www.grants.gov>.

Application Process:

1. Sub-recipients will submit a Notice of Intent (NOI) through <https://ok.emgrants.com/>. The opening day to submit a NOI through OKEMGrants for FY 22 BRIC is open effective 09/01/2022. [How to Submit a NOI](#)

- a. Last date to submit a NOI for funding considerations is 10/15/2022. NOI's received by ODEMHS after the due date for NOI submission will not be considered for funding.
2. Upon approval of NOI, Eligible Sub-applicants will be required to submit project applications through FEMA Grants Outcome (FEMA GO), which is the award management system for BRIC. <https://go.fema.gov/>.
FEMA Application period for FY 22 BRIC opens on 09/30/2022.
 - a. Registering and applying for an award under FEMA GO portal a multi-step process and requires time to complete. Sub applicants should read the registration instructions carefully and prepare the information requested before beginning the registration process; [FEMA Grants Outcomes \(FEMA GO\) | FEMA.gov](#)
3. Sub-applications will be reviewed and required to meet Project Eligibility, Application Completeness, Benefit Cost Analysis (BCA), Engineering Feasibility, Mitigation Plan Status, and Environmental and Historic Preservation Review.
 - a. Sub-applications that are incomplete by 11/15/2022 will not be selected for funding submittal.
4. Final FY 22 FMA Application with completed sub applications is to be submitted to FEMA by 01/15/2023.

Links:

Oklahoma Department of Emergency Management & Homeland Security (ODEMHS) – Mitigation Section

https://www.ok.gov/OEM/Programs_&_Services/Mitigation/index.html

OKEMGrants Portal (<https://ok.emgrants.com/>)

FEMA Flood Mitigation Assistance

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FEMA Grants Outcome (FEMA GO) <https://go.fema.gov/>. The step-by-step instructional desktop guides can be found by visiting [FEMA Grants Outcome \(FEMA GO\) for Hazard Mitigation Assistance Grants | FEMA.gov](#)