

Pre-Disaster Mitigation (PDM) Program

Eligible Uses

Hazard Mitigation Planning and Mitigation Projects

Overview (purpose, mechanisms)	FEMA provides grants through the Pre-Disaster Mitigation (PDM) Program to assist with hazard mitigation planning and the implementation of mitigation projects prior to a disaster event. Funding these plans and projects reduces overall risk to the population and structures, while also reducing reliance on Federal funding from actual disaster declarations. FEMA will allocate funds for eligible projects to State and Territories consistent with applicable, statutory base and/or maximum allocations in the authorizing and appropriation laws. PDM grants are awarded on a competitive basis.
Recipients	Eligible applicants are state, territorial, and tribal governments, and certain non-profits. Individual homeowners and businesses may not apply directly to the program, but a community may apply on their behalf as a subapplicant.
Eligible Activities	Activities that are eligible under the PDM program include property acquisition and structure demolition, property acquisition and structure relocation, structure elevation, dry floodproofing of non-residential structures, minor localized flood reduction projects, structural retrofitting of existing buildings, non-structural retrofitting of existing buildings and facilities, safe room construction, infrastructure retrofit, soil stabilization, and hazard mitigation planning.
Cost Sharing	Federal: up to 75 percent Non-federal: 25 percent. Small and impoverished communities as defined in Section 203 of the Stafford Act are eligible for a 90 percent federal share and a 10 percent non-federal cost share.
Application Requirements	The primary responsibility for selecting and administering mitigation activities resides with the states. Funding for the PDM program is limited; therefore, state and local government officials must make difficult decisions as to the most effective use of grant funds. The state point of contact for the PDM program is the State Hazard Mitigation Officer (SHMO).

Additional Sources/Contact Information

FEMA Pre-Disaster Mitigation Program

<http://www.fema.gov/government/grant/pdm/index.shtml>

State Hazard Mitigation Officers (listed by State)

<http://www.fema.gov/about/contact/shmo.shtml>