Department of Public Safety - Division of Emergency Management PPE Cost Share Rescinded - Executive Summary



Background

On June 10, 2020 it was announced that local jurisdictions including local health departments, counties, special service districts, cities and towns requesting Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) would need to provide a 25% non-federal cost share when requesting PPE from the State Distribution Center (DC). This change came about because of an expiring Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) on June 15, 2020 between the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) to provide PPE at a 100% federal cost share. This would ensure that PPE requests to the State DC would meet the requirements of the PA Program of a 75% federal share and a 25% non-federal share cost model.

On July 1, 2020, the State of Utah received written confirmation that CARES Act funding can be used as the 25% non-federal match. This information would allow all levels of government to determine how to allocate CARES Act funding towards FEMA's PA Program.

On July 20, 2020, CARES Act funding specifically for PPE was allocated to the State EOC that was not previously allocated to operations therefore requiring the State DC to pass on the 25% non-federal cost share to the requesting jurisdictions. The Unified Command has rescinded the State DC cost-share model for PPE and will provide it at 100% no cost to local jurisdictions through December 30, 2020.

PPE Requests Prior to July 22th

The State EOC and State DC will <u>not</u> be billing local jurisdictions for PPE requests and distributions prior to July 20th.

Future PPE Requests

PPE requests moving forward will be provided at 100% no cost to local jurisdictions. The process to request PPE will not change. PPE needs will be ordered via the google order form and PPE will be distributed biweekly from the State DC.

PPE requests to the State DC should factor in historical requests, burn rates that should be data based and forecasted needs based upon current trends.

Important Considerations

The State EOC and State DC encourage the continued efforts to reestablish and maintain local jurisdictional supply chains and will continue to support areas most affected by COVID-19 spikes and hot spots.

PPE requests that are provided at 100% no cost share to local jurisdictions can not be submitted to FEMA's PA Program as it would be considered a duplication of benefits. CARES Act funding including costs for PPE must be expended by December 30, 2020.