



¹FEMA COVID-19 Emergency Public Assistance Fact Sheet

I. Link to NY's Active Disaster Declaration Information

This site has comprehensive information for the current declaration, which is labeled as 4480-DR-NY: <http://www.dhSES.ny.gov/recovery/public/active-declarations.cfm>

II. Upcoming Webinars on Applying for Grants:

Tuesday 4/14 - 10am, 2pm, 4pm - <https://fema.connectsolutions.com/gpapplicant/>

Thursday 4/16 - 10am, 2pm, 4pm - <https://fema.connectsolutions.com/gpapplicant/>

Friday 4/17 - 10am, 2pm, 4pm - <https://fema.connectsolutions.com/gpapplicant/>

To join, click the link above at the designated time. We request that you log in with your FULL NAME, AGENCY, and STATE and/or FEMA Region for tracking purposes. Sessions may be recorded. Any questions please contact: FEMA-Recovery-PA-Grants@fema.dhs.gov or call the Grants Manager Hotline @ 1-866-337-8448

III. Type of Relief Available:

- Under President Trump's March 13, 2020, nationwide emergency declaration for COVID-19, certain private non-profit (PNP) organizations are eligible to apply for funding through FEMA's Public Assistance program.
- Generally this assistance is in the form of reimbursements for qualifying expenses.
- Eligible on expenses through September 19, 2020 (6 months from declaration of national emergency)
- FEMA will not duplicate assistance provided by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), to include the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), or other federal agencies.
- Critical to diligently track expenses for which reimbursement from FEMA may potentially be sought.

¹ The FEMA COVID Simplified Application Fact Sheet is here: <https://www.fema.gov/news-release/2020/03/23/coronavirus-covid-19-pandemic-public-assistance-simplified-application>

IV. Chapters May be Eligible to Receive Relief:

- To be eligible for Public Assistance, a PNP must be tax exempt under the Internal Revenue Code.
- Must have documentation demonstrating that it is a nonprofit entity organized under state law.
- Must own an eligible facility – an eligible facility is one that provides an eligible service, which includes education, utilities, emergency, medical, custodial care, and other essential social services.

V. Work Eligible for Relief:

- Expenses eligible for reimbursement must be an “eligible emergency protective measure” taken to respond to the COVID-19 emergency at the direction or guidance of public health officials.
- Eligible emergency protective measures include the following:
 - **Management, control and reduction of immediate threats to public health and safety:**
 - Emergency Operation Center costs
 - Training specific to the declared event
 - Disinfection of eligible public facilities
 - Technical assistance to state, tribal, territorial or local governments on emergency management and control of immediate threats to public health and safety
 - **Emergency medical care:**
 - Non-deferrable medical treatment of infected persons in a shelter or temporary medical facility
 - Related medical facility services and supplies
 - Temporary medical facilities and/or enhanced medical/hospital capacity (for treatment when existing facilities are reasonably forecasted to become overloaded in the near term and cannot accommodate the patient load or to quarantine potentially infected persons)
 - Use of specialized medical equipment
 - Medical waste disposal
 - Emergency medical transport

- **Medical sheltering (e.g. when existing facilities are reasonably forecasted to become overloaded in the near future and cannot accommodate needs)**
 - All sheltering must be conducted in accordance with standards and/or guidance approved by HHS/CDC and must be implemented in a manner that incorporates social distancing measures
 - Non-congregate medical sheltering is subject to prior approval by FEMA and is limited to that which is reasonable and necessary to address the public health needs of the event, is pursuant to the direction of appropriate public health officials and does not extend beyond the duration of the Public Health Emergency.
 - Purchase and distribution of food, water, ice, medicine, and other consumable supplies, to include personal protective equipment and hazardous material suits movement of supplies and persons.
 - Security and law enforcement
- Communications of general health and safety information to the public.
- Search and rescue to locate and recover members of the population requiring assistance.
- Reimbursement for state, tribe, territory and/or local government force account overtime costs.
- Emergency work which is the responsibility of an eligible applicant may also be reimbursed – this is generally limited to situations where a governmental entity responsible for emergency work (which is limited to measures to protect life, public health, and safety) contracts with a PNP that owns or operates an eligible facility and perform eligible work, such as providing emergency, medical or custodial care services.

VI. Next Steps

- a. View above webinar
- b. Apply for access to grants portal