

## **What is Mitigation?**

Mitigation is the effort to reduce loss of life and property by lessening the impact of disasters. This is achieved through risk analysis, which results in information that provides a foundation for mitigation activities that reduce risk, and flood insurance that protects financial investment.

## **Mitigation Grant Programs**

FEMA's Mitigation Grant programs provide funding for eligible mitigation activities that reduce disaster losses and protect life and property from future disaster damages. Currently, FEMA administers the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP), the Flood Mitigation Assistance (FMA) program, and the Pre-Disaster Mitigation (PDM) program, the Repetitive Flood Claims (RFC) program, and the Severe Repetitive Loss (SRL) program. The two new grant programs, RFC and SRL, are designed to reduce or eliminate the long-term risk of flooding to NFIP-insured structures, and thereby reduce the number of claims paid from the National Flood Insurance Fund (NFIF).

### **[Pre-Disaster Mitigation Grant Program \(PDM\)](http://www.fema.gov/government/grant/pdm/index.shtm)**

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Provides funds to states, territories, Indian tribal governments, communities, and universities for hazard mitigation planning and the implementation of mitigation projects prior to a disaster event.

### **[Flood Mitigation Assistance \(FMA\)](http://www.fema.gov/government/grant/fma/index.shtm)** (<http://www.fema.gov/government/grant/fma/index.shtm>)

Provides funding to assist States and communities in implementing measures to reduce or eliminate the long-term risk of flood damage to buildings, manufactured homes, and other structures insurable under the NFIP.

### **[Repetitive Flood Claims \(RFC\)](http://www.fema.gov/government/grant/rfc/index.shtm)** (<http://www.fema.gov/government/grant/rfc/index.shtm>)

Provides funding to States and communities to reduce or eliminate the long-term risk of flood damage to structures insured under the NFIP that have had one or more claims for flood damages, and that can not meet the requirements of the Flood Mitigation Assistance (FMA) program for either cost share or capacity to manage the activities.

### **[Severe Repetitive Loss \(SRL\)](http://www.fema.gov/government/grant/srl/index.shtm)** (<http://www.fema.gov/government/grant/srl/index.shtm>)

Provides funding to reduce or eliminate the long-term risk of flood damage to severe repetitive loss (SRL) structures insured under the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP).

### **[FEMA Hazard Mitigation Grant Program \(HMGP\)](http://www.fema.gov/government/grant/hmgp/index.shtm)**

(<http://www.fema.gov/government/grant/hmgp/index.shtm>) The Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP) provides grants to States and local governments to implement long-term hazard mitigation measures after a major disaster declaration. The purpose of the HMGP is to reduce the loss of life and property due to natural disasters and to enable mitigation measures to be implemented during the immediate recovery from a disaster. The HMGP is authorized under Section 404 of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act.

**Application Development** - FEMA's mitigation grants, including PDM, are provided to eligible Applicant States/Tribes/Territories that, in turn, provide sub-grants to local governments. The Applicant selects and prioritizes applications developed and submitted to them by local jurisdictions to submit to FEMA for grant funds.

Prospective Sub-applicants should contact Carrie Chitty (307-777-4917 or [cchitt@state.wy.us](mailto:cchitt@state.wy.us)) at the Wyoming Office of Homeland Security for further information regarding specific program and application requirements

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