Emergency Protective Measures and Donated Resources

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Learning Objective

Improve understanding of...

- FEMA Categories of Work
- Emergency Protective Measures
- Donated Resources





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Emergency Work

Addresses an immediate threat:

- A. Debris Removal
- B. Emergency Protective Measures

Permanent Work

Restoration of:

- C. Roads/bridges
- D. Water control facilities
- E. Buildings/equipment
- F. Utilities
- G. Parks, recreational, and other facilities



FEMA Categories of Work

To be eligible for reimbursement from FEMA, work must be (at minimum):

- Required as a result of the declared incident
- Located within the designated area (except for sheltering and evacuation activities)
- The legal responsibility of an eligible Applicant

FEMA's *Public Assistance Program and Policy Guide* provides more information.



Emergency Protective Measures



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Emergency Protective Measures What are they?

Emergency protective measures eliminate or lessen immediate threats...



...to lives, public health, or safety





Emergency Protective Measures What are they?

Examples^{*} of such measures *may* include:

- Pre-positioning supplies,
 equipment, and/or other resources
- Certain operating expenses
- Emergency access
- Supplies and commodities
- Medical care and transport
- Evacuation and sheltering
- Safety inspections

- Search and rescue
- Fire fighting
- Security, law enforcement
- Use or lease of temporary generators for essential facilities
- Information dissemination
- Mass mortuary services

(*not a complete list)



Emergency Protective Measures What are they?

FOR COVID-19, these* *may* be eligible:

- Emergency and inpatient clinical care for COVID-19 patients
- Specialized medical equipment
- Personal Protective Equipment
- Medical waste disposal related to COVID-19
- Certain labor costs for staff providing COVID-19 treatment

(*not a complete list)

See also:

- FEMA Policy FP 104-010-04
- <u>COVID-19 Pandemic: Eligible Emergency Protective</u> <u>Measures Fact Sheet (3/19/2020)</u>



Emergency Protective Measures

What costs are eligible?



Labor and fringe benefits

- <u>Budgeted Employees</u>:
 Overtime Only
- <u>Unbudgeted Employees</u>: Straight Time and Overtime



Equipment

- Applicant-owned
- Leased



- Purchased
- From stock



Contract work

 Must meet Federal procurement requirements



Emergency Protective Measures What labor and fringe benefit costs are eligible?

Labor and fringe benefits

Emergency Work Labor Eligibility					
Budgeted Employee Hours	Overtime	Straight-Time			
Permanent employee	\checkmark				
Part-time or seasonal employee working during normal hours or season of employment					
Unbudgeted Employee Hours	Overtime	Straight-Time			
Reassigned employee funded from external source	\checkmark	\checkmark			
Essential employee called back from furlough	\checkmark	\checkmark			
Temporary employee hired to perform eligible work	\checkmark	\checkmark			
Part-time or seasonal employee working outside normal hours or season of employment		\checkmark			



Emergency Protective Measures What documentation is needed?



Labor and fringe benefits

- Employee names
- Dates and hours worked in support of incident
- Activities performed in support of incident
- Hourly pay and benefits rates (straight time and overtime)
- Payroll register or equivalent
- Payroll and benefits policies

Relevant FEMA Forms:

- Applicant's Benefits Calculation Worksheet
- Force Account^{*} Labor Summary Record

*The term "Force Account" refers to an Applicant's own resources.



Emergency Protective Measures What documentation is needed?



Equipment

- Equipment rates OR actual costs
- Equipment type, size, model, etc.
- Hours used for declared incident
- Lease agreements



Supplies and materials

- Invoices or established pricing methods
- Inventory withdrawal and usage records

Relevant FEMA Forms:

- Force Account Equipment Summary Record
- Rented Equipment Summary Record
- Materials Summary Sheet
- FEMA Schedule of Equipment Rates



Emergency Protective Measures What documentation is needed?



Contract work

- Contract award records
- Procurement policies

Deductions

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- Insurance proceeds
- Non-Federal grants /cash
- Third-party liability
- Other Federal awards
- Dispositions (for market values of \$5,000 or more)

Relevant FEMA Forms:

 Contract Work Summary Record





What are they?

Donated resources are equipment, supplies, materials and/or labor ("resources") donated by individuals or organizations to assist with disaster response activities.



What are they?

Examples^{*} of **eligible** donated resources may include:

- Removing eligible debris
- Filling and placing sandbags
- Donating equipment, such as to raise or reinforce a levee
- Donating materials, such as rocks or sand

- Search and rescue, when part of an organized search and rescue operation
- Professional safety inspections
- Mass care and sheltering for disaster survivors

(*not a complete list)



What are they?

Examples* of **eligible** donated resources for COVID-19 *may* include:

- Donations of personal protective equipment (PPE), durable medical equipment, or consumable medical supplies
- Donations or use of specialized medical equipment
- Use of space and/or property for temporary or expanded medical facilities
- Volunteer labor performed to help administer or maintain temporary, expanded, or Alternate Care Sites

(*not a complete list)

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To be considered, each of the above examples **must be necessary to respond to COVID-19**.



What are they?

Examples^{*} of **ineligible** donated resources may include:

- Debris removal on private property
 (aside from certain exceptions)
- Feeding volunteers who were doing ineligible work
- Volunteer firefighters working within their own jurisdiction
- *Emergency repairs to private property*
- Unapproved donation warehouse and point of distribution activities

(*not a complete list)



Wait. FEMA reimburses for donated resources?!?

No. FEMA does not *directly* provide Public Assistance funding for donated resources. *HOWEVER...*

An Applicant may use the value of donated resources to offset its non-Federal share of other eligible assistance.



What requirements must be met?

Donated resources must meet **all four** of the following conditions to be **eligible**:

- Provided by a third party
- Used in the performance of eligible work
- Tracked and adequately documented by a local public official or designee
- Necessary and reasonable



What requirements must be met?

A few clarifications:

- A "third party" can be member or employee of the organization, as long as the donated work was unpaid
- Resources donated by an organization that would normally provide the same resources under its mission are eligible IF that organization is not federally funded
- Mutual aid provided at no cost is eligible
- Contributions may be cash, third-party in-kind services, materials, or any combination thereof



What requirements must be met?

Donated resources are **ineligible** if:

- Donated by a Federal agency
- Funded through a Federal award
- Donated by another federally-funded source
- Used as an offset to any other Federal award
- Used for ineligible work
- Considered a duplication of other benefits



What offset amounts can be counted?



Volunteer Labor:

- The offset is based on the same straight-time hourly labor rate, plus fringe benefits, as a similarly-qualified person in the Applicant's organization who normally performs similar work
- FEMA does not offset volunteer labor based on overtime or premium rates
- If the Applicant does not have employees performing similar work, FEMA credits the non-Federal share based on a rate consistent with those ordinarily performing the work in the same labor market



What offset amounts can be counted?



Donated Equipment:

- The offset is based on equipment rates from the FEMA Schedule of Equipment Rates
- Specify equipment details, such as make, model, capacity, horsepower, and/or operators as applicable
- The amounts claimed must not exceed the fair rental value (if loaned) or the fair market value (if donated with a transfer of title) of equipment that is in similar age and condition at the time of donation



What offset amounts can be counted?



Donated Supplies or Materials

- The offset is based on current commercial rates
- FEMA validates based on invoices from previous purchases or information from vendors in the area
- The amount claimed may not exceed fair market value at time of donation



Donated Buildings or Land

 The offset is based on the fair market value at the time of donation as established by an independent appraisal and certified by the Applicant



What offset amounts can be counted?



Donated Space

 The offset is based on the fair rental value as established by an independent appraisal of comparable space and facilities in a privately-owned building in the same locality



Donated Logistical Support

 Reasonable logistical support for volunteers doing eligible work, such as donations warehousing and management related to eligible Emergency Work, may be eligible as donated resources if provided by a third party



What documentation is needed?



Volunteer labor

- Volunteer names
- Name of volunteer organization (if applicable)
- Dates and hours worked
- Work site(s)/location(s)
- Activities performed in support of incident

- All Donated Resources must be documented by a local public official or designee.
- The FEMA Regional Administrator may establish alternate documentation requirements in extraordinary circumstances.



Donated Resources What documentation is needed?



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Donated equipment

- Name of donating organization
- Detailed equipment description
- Dates and hours used
- Equipment operator(s)
- Work site(s)/location(s) where used
- Activities performed in support of incident
- Schedule of equipment rates

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Donated Resources What documentation is needed?



Donated supplies/materials

- Name of donors
- Description of supplies/materials
- Quantities received/used
- Explanation of how used in support of incident
- Work site(s)/location(s) where used
- Any other documentation to substantiate value

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Donated Resources What documentation is needed?



Donated space/buildings/land

Location(s)



- Explanation of how used in support of incident
- Independent appraisals
- Any other documentation to substantiate value

- All Donated Resources must be documented by a local public official or designee.
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How are donated resources applied?

For Emergency Work, Donated Resources...

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- Offset the combined non-Federal cost share of ALL of an Applicant's Emergency Work projects (Cat. A & B)
- May not exceed an Applicant's total out-of-pocket costs
- Are capped at the total non-Federal cost share of an Applicant's Emergency Work projects
- Are captured as a separate project after all Emergency Work is obligated

- FEMA does not apply the offset or remaining offset toward:
 - Other state, territorial, or tribal government obligations
 - Projects for another Applicant
 - Permanent Work

How are donated resources applied?

For Permanent Work, Donated Resources...

- Offset the non-Federal cost share of Permanent Work on a project-byproject basis
- May not exceed an Applicant's total out-of-pocket costs for that project
- Are capped at the total non-Federal cost share of each project
- Are captured as a line-item offset within each project

- FEMA does not apply the offset or remaining offset toward:
 - Other state, territorial, or tribal government obligations
 - Projects for another Applicant
 - Emergency Work



How are donated resources applied?

Example 1: Emergency Work with eligible donated resources valued less than non-Federal cost share

Applicant's Emergency Work Projects Summary		<u>Shares</u>	
	<u>Eligible</u>	Federal	Non-Fed.
Cat. A Project: Debris Removal	\$32,000	\$24,000	\$8,000
Cat. B Project: Emergency Prot. Measures	\$10,000	\$7,500	\$2,500
Applicant non-Federal Share (BEFORE donated resources):			\$10,500
Cat. B Project: Donated Resources OFFSET	\$8,800		(\$8,800)
Applicant non-Federal Share (AFTER donated resources):			\$1,700



How are donated resources applied?

Example 2: Emergency Work with eligible donated resources valued more than non-Federal cost share

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	<u>Eligible</u>	Federal	Non-Fed.
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Cat. B Project: Emergency Prot. Measures	\$10,000	\$7,500	\$2,500
Applicant non-Federal Share (BEFORE donated resources):			\$10,500
Cat. B Project: Donated Resources OFFSET	\$16,000		(\$10,500)
Applicant non-Federal Share (AFTER donated resources):			\$0



How are donated resources applied?

Example 3: Permanent Work project with eligible donated resources valued less than non-Federal cost share

Applicant's Permanent Work Project		<u>Shares</u>	
	<u>Eligible</u>	Federal	Non-Fed.
Work Completed	\$24,000	\$18,000	\$6,000
Work To Be Completed	\$10,000	\$7,500	\$2,500
Project non-Federal Share (BEFORE donated resources):			\$8,500
Donated Resources OFFSET	\$5,200		(\$5,200)
Project non-Federal Share (AFTER donated resources):			\$3,300



Summary

Remember:

- FEMA has seven Categories of Work (A-G)
- Emergency Protective Measures (Cat. B)
 - Eliminate or lessen threats to lives, public health, safety, improved property
- Donated Resources
 - Are **NOT** *directly* eligible for funding, **BUT**
 - Can be used to OFFSET an Applicant's non-Federal cost share



Thank you for attending

For policy and eligibility questions please contact your State, Local, Tribal, or Territorial Office of Emergency Management



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