## **Emergency Protective Measures and Donated Resources**

## Presented by: Public Assistance Training Section



## **Learning Objective**

Improve understanding of...

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





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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.



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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**<sup>\*</sup> 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<sup>\*</sup> 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**<sup>\*</sup> 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**<sup>\*</sup> 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

- All Donated Resources must be documented by a local public official or designee.
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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

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	\$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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For technical assistance please contact:

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