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## Funding Opportunities for Hazard Mitigation Assistance Grants

Two FEMA grant programs, the Flood Mitigation Assistance (FMA) grant and the Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities (BRIC), will provide funds to states, local communities, tribes and territories for eligible mitigation activities to strengthen our nation's ability to build a culture of preparedness. These programs allow for funding to be used on projects that will reduce future disaster losses.

The application period opens on September 30, 2020. Eligible applicants must apply for funding using the new FEMA Grants Outcome (FEMA GO), which is now the management system for FMA and BRIC. The deadline to submit applications is 3 p.m. on January 29, 2021.

**FEMA Webinars.** FEMA strongly encourages applicants to participate in a series of informational webinars that summarize the grant programs and details about the agency's funding priorities and review process. The first webinar is scheduled for Tuesday, August 18 at 2:00 p.m.

In September, FEMA will host two webinars on "Avoiding Application Pitfalls." (Registration information still to come.)

**Flood Mitigation Grants.** The National Flood Insurance Act of 1968 establishes the goal of reducing or eliminating National Flood Insurance Program claims through long-term mitigation actions. For the FMA program, the agency's funding priorities include flood mitigation planning and efforts for repetitive as well as severe repetitive loss properties. In this application cycle, \$160 million is available in FMA grant funds. There is a set-aside of \$70 million for community advance assistance and flood mitigation projects.

**Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities Grants.** FEMA makes federal funds available through the new BRIC grant program to states, local communities, tribes and territories for pre-disaster mitigation activities. BRIC is a new FEMA pre-disaster hazard mitigation program that replaces the existing Pre-Disaster Mitigation program.

The BRIC priorities are to:

- Incentivize public infrastructure projects;
- Incentivize projects that mitigate risk to one or more lifelines;
- Incentivize projects that incorporate nature-based solutions; and,

- Incentivize the adoptions and enforcement of modern building codes.

For more information, Visit the [fema.gov website](#) [1]:

1. To view the [NOFO](#) [2] (Funding Opportunity Number: DHS-20-MT-029-000-99)
2. [Flood Mitigation Assistance](#) [3]
3. [Building Resilient Infrastructure Communities](#) [4]



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#### Links

[1] <https://www.fema.gov/>

[2] <https://www.fema.gov/grants/mitigation/fy2020-nofo>

[3] <https://www.fema.gov/grants/mitigation/floods>

[4] [https://www.fema.gov/grants/mitigation/building-resilient-infrastructure-communities#:~:text=Building%20Resilient%20In%20frastructure%20and%20Communities%20\(BRIC\)%20will%20support%20states%2C,from%20disasters%20and%20natural%20hazards.](https://www.fema.gov/grants/mitigation/building-resilient-infrastructure-communities#:~:text=Building%20Resilient%20In%20frastructure%20and%20Communities%20(BRIC)%20will%20support%20states%2C,from%20disasters%20and%20natural%20hazards.)