



# LIST OF FEDERAL FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS FUNDING EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS



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## OVERVIEW

This list identifies federal financial assistance programs (i.e., grants, loans, cooperative agreements) that support emergency communications investments. Periodic updates will be posted on the [SAFECOM Funding website](#) as new programs are announced. Note that other opportunities may exist. Entities seeking funding should refer to the Federal Government website [Grants.gov](#) to determine if other opportunities are available. In addition, refer to the specific Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO), as this is a summary of program information related to emergency communications and does not reflect all program requirements.

For ease of use, this list is divided into two tables. [Table 1](#) includes federal financial assistance programs funded by the Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2020 (Public Law No. 116-94), the Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2021 (Public Law No. 116-260), other appropriations, and departmental discretion to offer funding for state, local, tribal, and territorial governments. [Table 2](#) includes available funding provided through the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES Act), which could support emergency communications investments. The CARES Act was signed by the President on March 27, 2020, and many programs have expedited application dates to quickly award funds (e.g., Emergency Management Performance Grant COVID-19 Supplemental applications were due by April 28, 2020). These programs include new funding opportunities provided by the CARES Act, as well as additional funds to existing grant programs dedicated to COVID-19 response activities.

In addition to federal financial assistance programs, entities should also consider alternate funding mechanisms (e.g., bonds, public-private partnerships, user fees, special taxes) as a source of capital. Entities should work with financial experts to identify each mechanism's applicability to emergency communications projects and understand terms and requirements. For more information, including examples of alternate funding sources and best practices, reference the [Funding Mechanisms Guide for Public Safety Communications](#).

Entities that are applying for federal financial assistance for emergency communications projects should reference the latest annual [SAFECOM Guidance on Emergency Communications Grants](#). The guidance provides general information on eligible activities, technical standards, and other terms and conditions that are common to most federal programs funding emergency communications. Note, recipients of the Federal Emergency Management Agency's preparedness grants must comply with SAFECOM Guidance, as required in its Appendix D. Other federal programs encourage entities to follow SAFECOM Guidance recommendations and best practices, specifically its guidance to applicants on:

- Recommendations for planning, coordinating, and implementing emergency communications projects;
- Emergency communications activities that can be funded through federal grants;
- Overview of emergency communications systems and capabilities; and
- Technical standards that facilitate interoperability.

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FISCAL YEARS 2020/2021 APPROPRIATIONS

Table 1: List of Fiscal Years 2020/2021 Federal Financial Assistance Programs Funding Emergency Communications

| Office                                  | Financial Assistance Program Description and Website  | Program Amount, Application Deadline, and Allocation Method  | Eligible Applicants, Objectives, and Emergency Communications-Related Allowable Costs   |
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| <b>Department of Agriculture (USDA)</b> |   |  |   |
| Rural Utilities Service (RUS)           | <p><a href="#">Community Connect</a></p> <p>The Community Connect program serves rural communities where broadband service is least likely to be available, but where it can make a tremendous difference in the quality of life for citizens. Projects funded by these grants will help rural residents tap into the enormous potential of the internet.</p> | <p><b>Program Amount:</b> Minimum grant request amount of \$100,000 and maximum of \$3,000,000 per application</p> <p><b>Application Deadline:</b> 12/23/2020</p> <p><b>Competitive:</b> Applicants will be carefully scored and prioritized to determine which projects should be selected for further development and funding; minimum 15% match is required</p>       | <p><b>Eligible Applicants:</b> State and local governments, federally-recognized tribes, nonprofits, for-profit corporations. Rural areas that lack existing broadband speed of at least 10 Mbps downstream and 1 Mbps upstream</p> <p><b>Objectives:</b> Funds broadband deployment into rural communities where it is not yet economically viable for private sector providers to deliver service</p> <p><b>Equipment:</b> Construction, expansion, improvement or acquisition of community center; broadband expansion, construction of communication towers</p> |
| RUS                                     | <p><a href="#">Community Facilities</a></p> <p>Community Facilities programs provide loans, grants, and loan guarantees for essential community facilities in rural areas and towns up to 20,000 in population. Priority is given to health care, education, and public safety projects.</p>  | <p><b>Program Amount:</b> Graduated Scale</p> <p><b>Application Deadline:</b> Applications are accepted year-round. Contact local office to discuss a specific project</p> <p><b>Competitive:</b> Applicants will be carefully scored and prioritized to determine which projects should be selected for further development and funding; varying match requirements</p> | <p><b>Eligible Applicants:</b> Municipalities, counties, parishes, boroughs, special-purpose districts, nonprofit corporations or associations, and tribal governments</p> <p><b>Objectives:</b> Funds the purchase, construction, or improvement of essential community facilities</p> <p><b>Planning and Organization:</b> Costs of acquiring interest on land</p> <p><b>Equipment:</b> Construction and development of hospitals, health clinics, schools, fire houses, community centers, and many other community-based initiatives</p>                        |

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| RUS    | <p><a href="#"><u>Distance Learning and Telemedicine (DLT)</u></a></p> <p>The purpose of the DLT program is to fund telecommunications enabled information, audio and video equipment, and related advanced technologies which extend educational and medical applications into rural areas. Funds may also be used to provide for communication upgrades between ambulances, emergency transportation vehicles, and medical facilities.</p>   | <p><b>Program Amount:</b> Minimum grant request amount of \$50,000 and maximum grant request of \$1,000,000 per application</p> <p><b>Application Deadline:</b> 6/4/2021</p> <p><b>Competitive:</b> Eligible projects are selected based on specific criteria in the NOFO; minimum 15% match is required</p> | <p><b>Eligible Applicants:</b> Entities that provide education or health care through telecommunications, including most state and local governmental entities, federally-recognized tribes, nonprofits, for-profit businesses, and consortia of eligible entities</p> <p><b>Objectives:</b> Funds rural communities use of telecommunications to connect to each other and to the world, overcoming the effects of remoteness and low population density</p> <p><b>Equipment:</b> Acquisition of eligible capital assets, such as broadband transmission facilities; audio, video and interactive video equipment; terminal and data terminal equipment; computer hardware, network components, and software; inside wiring and similar infrastructure that further DLT services</p> <p><b>Personnel/Training:</b> Instructional programming that is a capital asset, technical assistance, and instruction for using equipment</p>   |
| RUS    | <p><a href="#"><u>Emergency Rural Health Care (ERHC) Grant Program</u></a></p> <p>The purpose of the ERHC program is to help broaden access to COVID-19 testing and vaccines, rural health care services, and food assistance via food banks and food distribution facilities through two tracks of funding. Track One, Recovery Grants, provides immediate relief to address the economic conditions arising from COVID-19; Track Two, Impact Grants, advances ideas and solutions to solve regional rural health care problems and support the long-term sustainability of rural health.</p> | <p><b>Program Amount:</b> \$500,000,000</p> <p><b>Application Deadline:</b> 10/12/2021</p> <p><b>Competitive:</b> Eligible projects are selected based on specific criteria in the NOFO</p>  | <p><b>Eligible Applicants:</b> Municipalities, counties, districts, authorities, or other political subdivisions of a state; community-based nonprofits, and federally-recognized tribes. Facilities and projects must be located in rural areas with populations of 20,000 or fewer</p> <p><b>Objectives:</b> Funds to broaden access to COVID-19 vaccines and testing, health care services, and regional collaboration</p> <p><b>Planning:</b> Establishment or scale of a regional partnership of community leaders and health care partners to plan, implement, and evaluate a model(s) to support solving regional health care problems</p> <p><b>Equipment/Construction:</b> Purchase of provider and end-user telehealth equipment, software, electronic security upgrades, data sharing capacity, video and teleconference services, and other underlying health care information systems; construction of temporary or permanent structures to provide health care services</p> <p><b>Personnel/Training:</b> Training needed for eligible equipment</p> |

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| RUS    | <p><a href="#">ReConnect Loan and Grant Program</a></p> <p>The ReConnect Program provides loans, grants, and loan/grant combinations to facilitate broadband deployment in rural areas. In facilitating the expansion of broadband services and infrastructure, the program will fuel long-term rural economic development and opportunities in rural America.</p>   | <p><b>100% Loan Program Amount:</b> Up to \$200,000,000</p> <p><b>50% Loan – 50% Grant Combination Program Amount:</b> Up to \$250,000,000</p> <p><b>100% Grant Program Amount:</b> Up to \$350,000,000</p> <p><b>100% Grant for Tribal Governments and Socially Vulnerable Communities Program Amount:</b> Up to \$350,000,000</p> <p><b>Application Deadline:</b> 2/22/2022</p> <p><b>Competitive:</b> Eligible projects are selected based on specific criteria in the NOFO</p> | <p><b>Eligible Applicants:</b> Corporations; Limited Liability Companies and Limited Liability Partnerships; cooperatives or mutual organizations; states or local governments, including any agency or subdivision; a territory or possession of the United States; and tribes. Additional information on eligible applicants and service areas can be found in the NOFO</p> <p><b>Objectives:</b> Funds the construction or improvement of facilities required to provide fixed terrestrial broadband service and the acquisition of existing systems that do not currently provide sufficient access to broadband</p> <p><b>Allowable Costs:</b> Costs of construction, improvement, or acquisition of facilities and equipment needed to facilitate broadband deployment in rural areas</p> |
| RUS    | <p><a href="#">Rural Placemaking Innovation Challenge (RPIC)</a></p> <p>The RPIC program provides funds to eligible entities for planning support, technical assistance, and training to foster placemaking activities in rural communities. Among other priorities, emphasis is placed on projects that enhance broadband infrastructure, capacity, and deployment.</p>   | <p><b>Program Amount:</b> Up to \$3,000,000</p> <p><b>Application Deadline:</b> 7/26/2021</p> <p><b>Competitive:</b> Cooperative agreement awarded based on specific criteria in the NOFO; 15% match is required</p>   | <p><b>Eligible Applicants:</b> Federally-recognized tribes, tribal organizations, institutions of higher education, nonprofit organizations with 501(c)(3) status, public bodies, or small private entities that meet the size standards established by the U.S. Small Business Administration</p> <p><b>Objectives:</b> Funds technical assistance and training to help rural communities develop actionable placemaking plans, convene partners, and identify community needs</p> <p><b>Personnel/Training:</b> Technical assistance</p> <p><b>Planning:</b> Mentoring activities and implementation actions associated with rural placemaking</p>  |
| RUS    | <p><a href="#">Telecommunications Infrastructure Loan Program</a></p> <p>The Infrastructure Program provides long-term direct and guaranteed loans to qualified organizations for the purpose of financing the improvement, expansion, construction, acquisition, and operation of telephone lines, facilities, or systems to furnish and improve Telecommunications, 911, and Emergency Communications services in rural areas.</p> | <p><b>Program Amount:</b> Graduated Scale</p> <p><b>Application Deadline:</b> Applications for this program are accepted through the General Field Representative year-round</p> <p><b>Competitive:</b> Eligible projects are selected based on specific criteria in the NOFO</p>  | <p><b>Eligible Applicants:</b> State and local government entities, federally-recognized tribes, nonprofit corporations, and for-profit businesses</p> <p><b>Objectives:</b> Funds construction, maintenance, improvement, and expansion of telephone service and broadband in rural areas</p> <p><b>Planning and Organization:</b> Acquisitions and refinancing</p> <p><b>Equipment:</b> Improvement, expansions, and construction of 911 activities and services related to emergency response efforts</p>  |

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| United States Forest Service      | <p><a href="#">Cohesive Fire Strategy Grants</a></p> <p>The Cohesive Fire Strategy Grants consist of three combined opportunities: Cross-Boundary Wildfire Hazard Mitigation on Non-Federal Lands, Wildfire Risk Reduction, and Wildfire Preparedness grants. These opportunities are designed to support and carry out the goals of the National Cohesive Wildland Fire Management Strategy.</p> | <p><b>Program Amount:</b> \$4,800,000; applicants may request \$25,000 up to \$300,000 per application</p> <p><b>Application Deadline:</b> 1/14/2022</p> <p><b>Competitive:</b> Eligible projects are selected based on specific criteria in the funding announcement. Minimum 100% match requirement for Wildfire Risk Reduction and Wildfire Preparedness grants</p> | <p><b>Eligible Applicants:</b> State and local government entities, federally-recognized tribes, nonprofit corporations, and public- and state-controlled institutions of higher education</p> <p><b>Objectives:</b> Improve wildfire response by implementing safe, effective, and efficient risk-based wildfire management decisions</p> <p><b>Equipment:</b> Purchase of supplies, radios, and firefighting tools (allowable through the Wildfire Preparedness grant)</p>   |
| <b>Department of Commerce</b>     |   |  |  |
| Economic Development Agency (EDA) | <p><a href="#">American Rescue Plan Act Build Back Better Regional Challenge (BBBRC)</a></p> <p>The BBBRC program aims to assist communities and regions impacted by the coronavirus pandemic. The program is designed as a two-phase competition to help regions develop transformational economic development strategies and fund the implementation of those strategies.</p>                   | <p><b>Program Amount:</b> Phase I awards available up to \$30,000,000; Phase II awards available up to \$75,000,000</p> <p><b>Application Deadline:</b> Phase I applications are due 10/19/2021; Phase II applications are due 5/15/2022</p> <p><b>Competitive:</b> Eligible projects are selected based on specific criteria in the funding announcement</p>          | <p><b>Eligible Applicants:</b> District Organization of an EDA-designated Economic Development District; tribe or consortium of tribes; state, county, city, or other local governments engaged in economic or infrastructure activities; institutions of higher education; public or private nonprofits acting in cooperation with state officials</p> <p><b>Objectives:</b> Promote innovation and competitiveness, preparing American regions for growth and success in the worldwide economy</p> <p><b>Construction:</b> Activities for eligible entities include telecommunications infrastructure and broadband construction</p>               |
| EDA                               | <p><a href="#">American Rescue Plan Act Indigenous Communities</a></p> <p>The Indigenous Communities program is designed support indigenous communities as they respond to and recover from the economic impacts of the coronavirus pandemic, including long-term recovery and resilience to future economic disasters.</p>   | <p><b>Program Amount:</b> \$100,000,000 divided among six regional offices by population</p> <p><b>Application Deadline:</b> Applications are accepted on an ongoing basis; entities are encouraged to apply by 3/31/2022</p> <p><b>Competitive:</b> Eligible projects are selected based on specific criteria in the funding announcement</p>                         | <p><b>Eligible Applicants:</b> Tribes or consortiums of tribes as defined by section 3(4) of the Public Works and Economic Development Act of 1965; a public or private nonprofit organization serving Native Hawaiians, the Native Pacific Islanders of Guam, American Samoa, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, the Republic of the Marshall Islands, the Federated States of Micronesia, or the Republic of Palau</p> <p><b>Objectives:</b> Assist indigenous communities in recovering economically from the coronavirus pandemic</p> <p><b>Construction:</b> Activities for eligible entities include broadband construction</p> |

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| EDA   | <p><a href="#">American Rescue Plan Act Statewide Planning, Research, and Networks</a></p> <p>The Statewide Planning, Research, and Networks program seeks to build regional economies for the future through two primary avenues: Statewide Planning; and Research and Networks. The program aims to help develop coordinated statewide plans for economic development through communities of practice and provisions of technical assistance among existing and new EDA grant recipients.</p> | <p><b>Program Amount:</b> \$90,000,000; \$59,000,000 available for Statewide Planning grants and \$31,000,000 available for Research and Communities of Practice Challenge awards</p> <p><b>Application Deadline:</b> Applications are accepted on an ongoing basis until either the publication of a new NOFO, the cancellation of the program, or all funds have been expended</p> <p><b>Competitive:</b> Eligible projects are selected based on specific criteria in the funding announcement</p> | <p><b>Eligible Applicants:</b> District Organization of an EDA-designated Economic Development District; tribe or consortium of tribes; state, county, city, or other local governments engaged in economic or infrastructure activities; institutions of higher education; public or private nonprofits acting in cooperation with state officials. For Statewide Planning grants, eligible applicants are limited to the Governor's Office or equivalent</p> <p><b>Objectives:</b> Build regional economies for the future via planning, research, and the development of networks</p> <p><b>Planning:</b> Support statewide broadband data collection and mapping efforts and develop statewide broadband deployment and technical assistance plans</p> |
| National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) | <p><a href="#">Small Business Innovation Research (SBIR) Project 2.0</a></p> <p>SBIR's goal is to strengthen the role of innovative small business concerns in federally-funded research and development. Among other priorities, the NIST SBIR is focused on advanced communications, networks and scientific data systems, as well as cybersecurity and privacy.</p>  | <p><b>Program Amount:</b> Phase I awards are limited to \$100,000; Phase II awards are limited to \$400,000</p> <p><b>Application Deadline:</b> Phase I applications are due 4/14/2021; Phase II applications are due 6/7/2021</p> <p><b>Competitive:</b> Eligible projects are selected based on specific criteria in the funding announcement</p>   | <p><b>Eligible Applicants:</b> Small businesses; opportunities to partner with state and local public safety agencies</p> <p><b>Objectives:</b> Advanced communications, networks and scientific data systems, as well as cybersecurity and privacy</p> <p><b>Research and Development:</b> Activities that enable secure, reliable, high-speed wireless and wireline communications critical to U.S. economic competitiveness, safety, and security; activities that strengthen the security of the digital environment through a portfolio bridging foundational and applied cybersecurity research, and through the development of publicly available standards and technical guidance</p>  |
| NIST  | <p><a href="#">Public Safety Accelerator Program – Public Safety Radio Data (PSIAP-PSRD)</a></p> <p>The PSIAP-PSRD program looks to collect public safety land mobile radio (LMR) usage data and make the datasets available for research related to the comparison of LMR and long-term evolution (LTE) systems.</p>   | <p><b>Program Amount:</b> \$1,000,000</p> <p><b>Application Deadline:</b> 4/6/2021</p> <p><b>Competitive:</b> Proposals are evaluated based on NIST criteria</p>  | <p><b>Eligible Applicants:</b> State, local, territorial, and tribal governments, nonprofits, nonacademic organizations, and institutions of higher learning</p> <p><b>Objectives:</b> Collect and publish data on LMR usage; conduct research on the comparison between LMR to LTE</p> <p><b>Research Partnership:</b> The award recipient will help achieve these objectives by partnering with no less than two public safety organizations located within the United States, of varying size or geographic location, for the collection of data necessary for conducting research relevant to the comparison of LMR to LTE</p>   |

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| <p>National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA)</p> | <p><a href="#">Broadband Infrastructure Program</a><br/>The purpose of the Broadband Infrastructure Program is to provide federal funding to deploy broadband infrastructure to eligible service areas of the country.</p>  | <p><b>Program Amount:</b> \$288,000,000<br/><b>Application Deadline:</b> 8/17/2021<br/><b>Competitive:</b> Eligible projects are selected based on specific criteria in the funding announcement</p>   | <p><b>Eligible Applicants:</b> Partnerships between a state, or one or more political subdivisions of a state, and a provider of fixed broadband service<br/><b>Objectives:</b> Provide qualifying broadband service for census blocks in which broadband service is not available at one or more households or businesses<br/><b>Personnel:</b> Salaries and fringe benefits for staff and consultants<br/><b>Equipment:</b> Construction, improvement, and/or acquisition of facilities and telecommunications equipment required for qualifying broadband service</p>   |
| <p>NTIA</p>  | <p><a href="#">Tribal Broadband Connectivity Program</a><br/>The purpose of the Tribal Broadband Connectivity Program is to improve quality of life, spur economic development and commercial activity, and create opportunities for remote employment and online entrepreneurship, remote learning, and telehealth by expanding broadband access and providing digital training and inclusion programs to Native American communities.</p> | <p><b>Program Amount:</b> \$980,000,000<br/><b>Application Deadline:</b> 9/1/2021<br/><b>Competitive:</b> Eligible projects are selected based on specific criteria in the funding announcement. Not less than 3% of the total amount of program funding will be allocated to the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands on behalf of the Native Hawaiian Community, and up to \$500,000 will be allocated to each of the federally-recognized tribes delineated by the Department of the Interior's Bureau of Indian Affairs</p> | <p><b>Eligible Applicants:</b> Tribal governments; tribal colleges or universities; the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands on behalf of the Native Hawaiian Community, including Native Hawaiian education programs; tribal organizations; and Alaska Native corporations<br/><b>Objectives:</b> Funds to expand access to and adoption of broadband service on Tribal Land or for programs that promote the use of broadband to access remote learning, telework, or telehealth resources during the COVID-19 pandemic<br/><b>Personnel:</b> Personnel salaries, wages, and fringe benefits for persons working directly on the grant; subaward and third-party contractor costs; stipends, internships or fellowships<br/><b>Planning:</b> Feasibility and sustainability studies; engineering and network design, including route mapping for broadband infrastructure, permitting and work related to environmental, historical, and cultural reviews<br/><b>Equipment:</b> Construction, improvement, replacement, extension or acquisition of facilities and telecommunications equipment required to provide qualifying broadband service; equipment and devices to support connectivity for telehealth and remote education such as laptops, tablets, and hotspots<br/><b>Training:</b> Workforce training; travel expenses for key project staff and consultants; staff and volunteer training</p> |

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| NTIA   | <p><a href="#">Connecting Minority Communities Pilot Program</a></p> <p>The purpose of the Connecting Minority Communities Pilot Program is to provide federal funding to eligible recipients in anchor communities for the purchase of broadband internet access service or any eligible equipment or to hire and train information technology personnel; to facilitate educational instruction and learning, including through remote instruction; to operate a minority business enterprise (MBE); or to operate a tax-exempt 501(c)(3) organization.</p> | <p><b>Program Amount:</b> \$268,000,000</p> <p><b>Application Deadline:</b> 12/1/2021</p> <p><b>Competitive:</b> Eligible projects are selected based on specific criteria in the funding announcement. At least 40 percent of the grant funds awarded will be distributed to qualifying historically Black colleges or universities, and at least 20 percent of grant funds will be awarded to eligible entities to provide broadband internet access service and/or eligible equipment to their students</p> | <p><b>Eligible Applicants:</b> Historically Black colleges or universities; Tribal colleges or universities; Minority-serving institutions; or consortiums that also include an MBE or an organization described in section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 and that is exempt from tax under section 501(a) of such Code. Eligible applicants also must be in an “anchor community.” Additional eligibility requirements can be found in the NOFO</p> <p><b>Objectives:</b> Funds to expand educational instruction and remote learning opportunities, spur economic development, and create opportunities for employment and entrepreneurship by building the digital capacity of the eligible institutions and furthering broadband access, adoption, and digital skills within those institutions and in their surrounding anchor communities</p> <p><b>Personnel:</b> Funds to hire and train information technology personnel</p> <p><b>Equipment:</b> One-time installation or upgrade of broadband facilities; purchase or lease of a Wi-Fi hotspot, modem, router, a device that combines a modem and router, a connected device, or any other equipment used to provide access to broadband internet access service for student or patron use</p> |
| <b>Department of Health and Human Services (HHS)</b> |  |  |  |
| Administration for Native Americans (ANA)            | <p><a href="#">Social and Economic Development Strategies (SEDS)</a></p> <p>SEDS is focused on community-driven projects designed to grow local economies, strengthen Native American families, including the preservation of Native American cultures, and decrease the high rate of current challenges caused by the lack of community-based businesses, and social and economic infrastructure in Native American communities.</p>  | <p><b>Program Amount:</b> Minimum grant request amount of \$100,000 and maximum grant request of \$400,000, per application</p> <p><b>Application Deadline:</b> FY 2021 applications are due 6/30/2021; FY 2022 applications are due 5/23/2022; FY 2023 applications are due 5/22/2023</p> <p><b>Competitive:</b> Eligible projects are selected based on specific criteria in the funding announcement; minimum 20% match is required</p>   | <p><b>Eligible Applicants:</b> Federally-recognized tribes and other tribal entities, as described in the funding announcement</p> <p><b>Objectives:</b> Funds to promote social and economic self-sufficiency for American Indians, Alaska Natives, Native Hawaiians, and Native American Pacific Islanders from American Samoa, Guam, and the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands</p> <p><b>Planning:</b> Planning and coordinating emergency response services within the community and with state and local governments to protect against acts of nature and other catastrophic events such as floods and hazardous materials exposure</p> <p><b>Development:</b> Developing or enhancing community-based initiatives to protect the community from external threats and reduce insecurity, violence, and crime</p>  |



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| ANA  | <p><a href="#">Social and Economic Development Strategies for Alaska (SEDS-AK)</a></p> <p>SEDS-AK provides targeted support for village-specific projects to improve and strengthen the administrative and management capacity of Alaska Native village governments that are central to social and economic self-sufficiency in Alaska. The program intends to support community-driven projects that build and strengthen core governmental capacity in the areas of administration and project management.</p>  | <p><b>Program Amount:</b> Minimum grant request amount of \$50,000 and maximum grant request of \$200,000, per application</p> <p><b>Application Deadline:</b> FY 2021 applications are due 6/30/2021; FY 2022 applications are due 5/23/2022; FY 2023 applications are due 5/22/2023</p> <p><b>Competitive:</b> Eligible projects are selected based on specific criteria in the funding announcement; minimum 20% match is required</p> | <p><b>Eligible Applicants:</b> Federally-recognized tribes in Alaska and other Alaskan tribal entities, as described in the funding announcement</p> <p><b>Objectives:</b> Funds to promote social and economic self-sufficiency for Alaska Natives</p> <p><b>Planning:</b> Planning, analysis, and mitigation efforts relating to emergency preparedness and response to ensure needed services, increase communications, coordinate preparedness, enhance situational responsiveness, and strengthen recovery efforts at the village level</p>   |
| Assistant Secretary for Preparedness and Response (ASPR) | <p><a href="#">Hospital Preparedness Program (HPP)</a></p> <p>HPP's purpose is to strengthen and enhance the acute care medical surge capacity through the maintenance and growth of strong health care coalitions. The goals of health care preparedness and response capabilities include:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) Foundation for Health Care and Medical Readiness;</li> <li>2) Health Care and Medical Response Coordination;</li> <li>3) Continuity of Health Care Service Delivery; and</li> <li>4) Medical Surge.</li> </ol> | <p><b>Program Amount:</b> Up to \$231,500,000</p> <p><b>Application Deadline:</b> 5/3/2019; non-competitive continuation of funding opportunities available for recipients</p> <p><b>Formula-based:</b> Cooperative agreement is awarded to states or consortium of states with 10% matching requirement</p>  | <p><b>Eligible Applicants:</b> State, county, city, or township, and special district governments</p> <p><b>Objectives:</b> Funds to build acute care medical surge capacity</p> <p><b>Personnel:</b> Staff to assist with planning, training, and exercises</p> <p><b>Planning:</b> Engage emergency communications stakeholders in planning; develop assessments and inventories</p> <p><b>Training/Exercises:</b> Develop, deliver, attend, and evaluate training and exercises</p>   |
| ASPR   | <p><a href="#">Partnership for Disaster Health Response</a></p> <p>The purpose of the Partnership for Disaster Health Response is to fund one demonstration project that will help identify issues, develop leading practices, and demonstrate the potential effectiveness and viability of the Regional Disaster Health Response System concept.</p>   | <p><b>Program Amount:</b> \$3,000,000</p> <p><b>Application Deadline:</b> 9/20/2021</p> <p><b>Competitive:</b> Cooperative agreement awarded based on specific criteria in the funding announcement</p>   | <p><b>Eligible Applicants:</b> Partnerships consisting of the following required members: one or more hospitals, at least one of which shall be a designated trauma center; one or more other local health care facilities; one or more political subdivisions; one or more states or one or more states and one or more political subdivisions; and one or more emergency medical service organizations or emergency management organizations</p> <p><b>Objectives:</b> Funds for a demonstration site that will advance the vision for a nationwide, regional response system</p> <p><b>Allowable Costs:</b> Funds may be used to cover costs of planning (e.g., telehealth implementation), personnel, consultants, equipment, supplies, grant-related travel, and other costs pending prior approval</p> |

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| ASPR                              | <p><a href="#"><u>Enhanced Efforts to Strengthen the Nation’s Healthcare and Public Health Preparedness, Response, and Recovery to Disasters and Other Emergencies</u></a></p> <p>The purpose of the cooperative agreement is to ensure local governments, communities, private sector entities, non-governmental organizations, academia, and individuals can optimally coordinate their respective national health security roles and responsibilities to achieve community health resilience and strengthen health care, public health, and emergency management systems in preparation of, response to, and recovery from disasters and other emergencies.</p> | <p><b>Program Amount:</b> Up to \$20,000,000</p> <p><b>Application Deadline:</b> 9/22/2021</p> <p><b>Competitive:</b> Cooperative agreement awarded based on specific criteria in the funding announcement</p>  | <p><b>Eligible Applicants:</b> National profit and non-profit organizations and associations capable of improving collaboration between ASPR and stakeholders across healthcare delivery, public health, and emergency management</p> <p><b>Objectives:</b> Funds to improve collaboration between ASPR, public health and healthcare sectors, and emergency management services to enhance national health security, foster community health resilience, and strengthen healthcare delivery, public health, and healthcare preparedness and emergency response</p> <p><b>Allowable Costs:</b> Funds may be used to cover costs of personnel, equipment, supplies, grant-related travel, and other costs that, among other items, strengthen healthcare preparedness and emergency response</p> |
| Centers for Disease Control (CDC) | <p><a href="#"><u>Public Health Emergency Preparedness (PHEP)</u></a></p> <p>PHEP’s purpose is to strengthen and enhance the capabilities of state, local, and territorial public health systems to respond effectively (e.g., mitigate the loss of life and reduce the threats to the community’s health and safety) to evolving threats and other emergencies, and improve the readiness of the public health system to save lives during emergencies that exceed the day-to-day capacity and capability of the public health emergency response systems.</p>  | <p><b>Program Amount:</b> Up to \$622,850,000</p> <p><b>Application Deadline:</b> 3/17/2020; non-competitive continuation of funding opportunities available for recipients</p> <p><b>Formula-based:</b> Cooperative agreement is awarded to states or consortium of states with 10% matching requirement</p> | <p><b>Eligible Applicants:</b> State, county, city, or township, and special district governments</p> <p><b>Objectives:</b> Funds to advance development of effective public health emergency management and response programs</p> <p><b>Personnel:</b> Staff to assist with planning, training, and exercises</p> <p><b>Planning:</b> Whole community planning for all populations, including tribal engagement</p> <p><b>Training/Exercises:</b> Develop, deliver, attend, and evaluate training and exercises; Continuity of operations and administrative preparedness plans tested via tabletop exercises</p> <p><b>Equipment:</b> Personal protective equipment</p>   |

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| <p>Health Resources &amp; Services Administration (HRSA)</p> | <p><a href="#">Telehealth Technology-Enabled Learning Program (TTELP)</a></p> <p>The purpose of TTELP is to connect specialists at academic medical centers with primary care providers (PCPs) in rural, frontier, and underserved populations, providing evidence-based training and support to help them treat patients with complex conditions in their communities.</p>                                | <p><b>Program Amount:</b> Up to \$4,275,000<br/> <b>Application Deadline:</b> 6/25/2021<br/> <b>Competitive:</b> Cooperative agreement awarded based on specific criteria in the funding announcement</p> | <p><b>Eligible Applicants:</b> Faith- and community-based organizations, federally-recognized tribes, tribal organizations, and other domestic public or private, nonprofit or for-profit entities with demonstrated experience utilizing telehealth technologies to assist rural underserved populations</p> <p><b>Objectives:</b> Funds to develop learning community models that emphasize collaborative partnerships between providers to facilitate training and disseminate best practice specialty care to PCPs and care teams in rural, frontier, and underserved populations</p> <p><b>Personnel:</b> Compensation of specialists and referring health care providers</p> <p><b>Planning:</b> Developing projects to use telehealth technology to facilitate collaboration between health care providers</p> <p><b>Equipment:</b> Developing and acquiring computer hardware and software, audio and video equipment, computer network equipment, interactive equipment, data terminal equipment, and other equipment that furthers program objectives; equipment maintenance</p> |
| <p>HRSA</p>  | <p><a href="#">Rural Health Network Development Planning Program</a></p> <p>The purpose of this program is to promote the development of integrated health care networks in order to: (i) achieve efficiencies; (ii) expand access to, coordinate, and improve the quality of basic health care services and associated health outcomes; and (iii) strengthen the rural health care system as a whole.</p> | <p><b>Program Amount:</b> \$2,000,000<br/> <b>Application Deadline:</b> 1/28/2022<br/> <b>Competitive:</b> Eligible projects are selected based on specific criteria in the funding announcement</p>      | <p><b>Eligible Applicants:</b> Domestic public or private, non-profit or for-profit entities, including faith-based, community-based, tribes and tribal organizations, with demonstrated experience serving, or the capacity to serve, rural underserved populations</p> <p><b>Objectives:</b> Funds planning of integrated health care networks as a strategy toward linking rural health care partners</p> <p><b>Planning:</b> Identifying strategies to leverage broadband connectivity to support health information technology applications in rural communities; updating health information technology plans</p>  |

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| <b>Department of Homeland Security (DHS)</b> |   |  |   |
| Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)   | <p><a href="#">Emergency Management Performance Grant (EMPG)</a><br/>                     EMPG assists state, local, tribal, and territorial governments in preparing for all hazards. The intent is to provide grant funding to assist state emergency management agencies in obtaining the resources required to support the National Preparedness Goal of a secure and resilient Nation.</p>   | <p><b>Program Amount:</b> \$355,100,000 with \$100,000,000 in available supplemental funding from the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA); funding opportunities are separated by region<br/> <b>Application Deadline:</b> 5/14/2021 for both EMPG and ARPA supplemental funding<br/> <b>Formula-based:</b> Amounts for each state/territory are listed in the NOFO; 50% match is required</p> | <p><b>Eligible Applicants:</b> State Administrative Agency (SAA) of states/territories or Emergency Management Agency<br/> <b>Objectives:</b> Funds activities that address cybersecurity and building and sustaining core capabilities<br/> <b>Planning and Organization:</b> Developing/updating Statewide Communication Interoperability Plan, Tactical Interoperability Communications Plans, Threat and Hazard Identification and Risk Assessment, Stakeholder Preparedness Review, and Continuity of Operations<br/> <b>Training/Exercises:</b> Develop, deliver, attend, and evaluate training and exercises<br/> <b>Equipment:</b> Cybersecurity enhancements, interoperable communications; maintenance and sustainment (e.g., upgrades, user fees, warranties); construction/renovation of communication towers</p> |
| FEMA   | <p><a href="#">Homeland Security Grant Program (HSGP) / State Homeland Security Program (SHSP)</a><br/>                     SHSP supports the implementation of risk driven, capabilities-based State Homeland Security Strategies to address capability targets set in urban area, state, and regional Threat and Hazard Identification Risk Assessment and Stakeholder Preparedness Review process, which inform planning, organization, equipment, training, and exercise needs to prevent, protect against, mitigate, respond to, and recover from acts of terrorism and other catastrophic events.</p> | <p><b>Program Amount:</b> \$415,000,000<br/> <b>Application Deadline:</b> 5/14/2021<br/> <b>Formula-based:</b> Allocations for each state/territory are listed in the NOFO; awards will be allocated based on risk and anticipated effectiveness</p>   | <p><b>Eligible Applicants:</b> SAAs of states/territories; SAA must pass through 80% to local units of government<br/> <b>Objectives:</b> Funds to build/sustain core capabilities; continuity of operations; cybersecurity enhancements; law enforcement/terrorism prevention<br/> <b>Planning and Organization:</b> Develop whole community partnerships; program management; intelligence analysts<br/> <b>Training/Exercises:</b> Develop, deliver, attend, and evaluate training and exercises related to emergency communications, special events<br/> <b>Equipment:</b> Cybersecurity enhancements, interoperable communications; information technology (IT); maintenance and sustainment (e.g., upgrades, user fees, warranties); emergency supplies</p>   |

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| FEMA   | <p><a href="#">Homeland Security Grant Program / Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI)</a></p> <p>UASI program addresses the unique risk driven and capabilities-based planning, organization, equipment, training, and exercise needs of high-threat, high-density Urban Areas based on the capability targets identified during the Threat and Hazard Identification Risk Assessment and Stakeholder Preparedness Review process.</p>  | <p><b>Program Amount:</b> \$615,000,000</p> <p><b>Application Deadline:</b> 5/14/2021</p> <p><b>Formula-based:</b> Allocations for each urban area are listed in the NOFO; awards will be allocated based on risk and anticipated effectiveness</p> | <p><b>Eligible Applicants:</b> SAA on behalf of eligible areas listed in the NOFO; SAA must pass through 80% to local units of government in the designated UASI</p> <p><b>Objectives:</b> Funds to build/sustain core capabilities; continuity of operations; cybersecurity enhancements; law enforcement/terrorism prevention</p> <p><b>Planning and Organization:</b> Develop whole community partnerships; program management; intelligence analysts</p> <p><b>Training/Exercises:</b> Develop, deliver, attend, and evaluate training and exercises related to emergency communications, special events</p> <p><b>Equipment:</b> Cybersecurity enhancements, interoperable communications; IT; maintenance and sustainment (e.g., upgrades, user fees, warranties); emergency supplies</p> |
| FEMA   | <p><a href="#">Homeland Security Grant Program / Operation Stonegarden (OPSG)</a></p> <p>OPSG supports enhanced cooperation and coordination among local, tribal, territorial, state, and federal law enforcement agencies in a joint mission to secure the United States' borders along routes of ingress from international borders. This includes travel corridors in states bordering Mexico and Canada, as well as states and territories with international water borders.</p> | <p><b>Program Amount:</b> \$90,000,000</p> <p><b>Application Deadline:</b> 5/14/2021</p> <p><b>Competitive:</b> States eligible to apply are listed in the NOFO</p>   | <p><b>Eligible Applicants:</b> SAA on behalf of selected OPSG applicant; SAA must pass through 100% to selected local units of government</p> <p><b>Objectives:</b> Funds support to U.S. border security</p> <p><b>Personnel:</b> 50% cap</p> <p><b>Planning and Organization:</b> Coordination among jurisdictions, disciplines, various levels of governments (e.g., travel, per diem, overtime)</p> <p><b>Equipment:</b> Emergency equipment and vehicles, data systems</p>   |
| FEMA   | <p><a href="#">Intercity Bus Security Grant Program (IBSGP)</a></p> <p>IBSGP provides funding to owners and operators of intercity bus systems located within the UASI-eligible Urban Areas, to protect critical surface transportation infrastructure and the traveling public from acts of terrorism and to increase the resilience of transit infrastructure.</p>   | <p><b>Program Amount:</b> \$2,000,000</p> <p><b>Application Deadline:</b> 5/14/2021</p> <p><b>Competitive:</b> Eligible applicants must complete a vulnerability assessment and develop a security plan</p>   | <p><b>Eligible Applicants:</b> Private operators providing transportation by an over-the-road bus in UASI jurisdiction</p> <p><b>Objectives:</b> Funds the prevention of threatened or an actual act of terrorism</p> <p><b>Planning and Organization:</b> Governance integration</p> <p><b>Training/Exercises:</b> Develop, deliver, attend, and evaluate training and exercises</p> <p><b>Equipment:</b> Facility security; vehicle/drive security, interoperable emergency communications equipment</p>  |

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| FEMA   | <p><a href="#"><u>Intercity Passenger Rail-Amtrak (IPR) Program</u></a></p> <p>IPR Program provides funding to the National Passenger Railroad Corporation (Amtrak) to protect critical surface transportation infrastructure and the traveling public from acts of terrorism and to increase the resilience of the Amtrak rail system.</p>  | <p><b>Program Amount:</b> \$10,000,000</p> <p><b>Application Deadline:</b> 5/14/2021</p> <p><b>Cooperative Agreement between FEMA and Amtrak:</b> All funds are awarded to Amtrak</p>                   | <p><b>Eligible Applicants:</b> Private operators providing transportation by an over-the-road bus in UASI jurisdiction</p> <p><b>Objectives:</b> Funds transportation infrastructure security activities and the strengthening of governance integration for the Amtrak System</p> <p><b>Planning:</b> Security plans; protocols; education; outreach</p> <p><b>Training and Exercises:</b> Crew communication and coordination; emergency preparedness drills and exercises</p> <p><b>Equipment:</b> Related to interoperable communications, maintenance and sustainment, construction / renovation of communication towers</p>   |
| FEMA   | <p><a href="#"><u>Nonprofit Security Grant Program (NSGP)</u></a></p> <p>NSGP-UASI (\$90,000,000): Provides funding support for target hardening activities to nonprofit organizations that are at high risk of terrorist attack and located within one of the UASI-eligible areas.</p> <p>NSGP-State (\$90,000,000): Provides funding for nonprofit organizations located outside of FY 2021 UASI-designated Urban Areas.</p> <p>NSGP promotes coordination and collaboration in emergency preparedness activities among public and private community representatives as well as state and local government agencies.</p> | <p><b>Program Amount:</b> \$180,000,000</p> <p><b>Application Deadline:</b> 5/14/2021</p> <p><b>Competitive:</b> Nonprofit organizations may receive funding following a competitive review process</p> | <p><b>Eligible Applicants:</b> SAA on behalf of nonprofit organizations within eligible UASIs; SAA must obligate 100% to selected nonprofit organizations</p> <p><b>Objectives:</b> Funds the building of core capabilities, cybersecurity, Threat and Hazard Identification and Risk Assessment-based developments and governance integration</p> <p><b>Planning:</b> Development and enhancement of security plans and protocols; development or further strengthening of security assessments; emergency contingency plans; evacuation/shelter-in-place plans</p> <p><b>Training:</b> Security-related training courses and programs</p> <p><b>Equipment:</b> Physical security and inspection/screening systems</p> <p><b>Maintenance and Sustainment:</b> Warranties; repair or replacement costs; upgrades; user fees</p> <p><b>Construction and Renovation:</b> With restrictions meeting prior written approval</p> |

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| FEMA   | <p><a href="#"><u>Port Security Grant Program (PSGP)</u></a><br/>PSGP provides funding to port authorities, facility operators, and State and local agencies required to provide security services to implement Area Maritime Transportation Security Plans and facility security plans.</p>  | <p><b>Program Amount:</b> \$100,000,000<br/><b>Application Deadline:</b> 5/14/2021<br/><b>Competitive:</b> Port areas will be selected for funding through a competitive review process; Recipients must provide at least 25% match either cash or in-kind contribution, for all public sector and non-governmental, nonprofit recipients; Private, for-profit recipients must provide at least 50% match either cash or in-kind contribution</p> | <p><b>Eligible Applicants:</b> Entities covered by an Area Maritime Security Plan<br/><b>Objectives:</b> Funds enhancements to port-wide maritime security risk management, domain awareness, improvised explosive device and chemical, biological, radiological, nuclear, and explosive prevention, protection, response and supporting recovery capabilities; cybersecurity; port resilience and recovery<br/><b>Planning and Organization:</b> Security plans and protocols enhancements<br/><b>Training/Exercises:</b> Training and awareness campaigns; port-wide planning, training, and exercises<br/><b>Equipment:</b> Interoperable communications for Maritime Domain Awareness</p> |
| FEMA   | <p><a href="#"><u>Transit Security Grant Program (TSGP)</u></a><br/>TSGP directly supports transportation infrastructure security activities. It is one tool in the comprehensive set of measures to strengthen the Nation's critical infrastructure against risks associated with potential terrorist attacks and other hazards.</p> | <p><b>Program Amount:</b> \$88,000,000<br/><b>Application Deadline:</b> 5/14/2021<br/><b>Competitive:</b> Eligible transit agencies are determined based on daily unlinked passenger trips (ridership) and transit systems that serve historically eligible urban areas</p>   | <p><b>Eligible Applicants:</b> Publicly owned operators of public transportation<br/><b>Objectives:</b> Funds public transportation systems to improve governance integration and enhance cybersecurity<br/><b>Planning and Organization:</b> Security plans and protocols; regional communications enhancement<br/><b>Training/Exercises:</b> Develop, deliver, attend, and evaluate training and exercises<br/><b>Equipment:</b> Related to interoperable communications; maintenance and sustainment (e.g., upgrades, user fees, warranties); emergency supplies</p>   |
| FEMA   | <p><a href="#"><u>Tribal Homeland Security Grant Program (THSGP)</u></a><br/>THSGP supports the building, sustainment, and delivery of core capabilities to enable tribes to strengthen their capacity to prevent, protect against, mitigate, respond to, and recover from potential terrorist attacks and other hazards.</p>         | <p><b>Program Amount:</b> \$15,000,000<br/><b>Application Deadline:</b> 5/14/2021<br/><b>Competitive:</b> Selected tribes may receive funding following a competitive peer review process; No match requirement</p>   | <p><b>Eligible Applicants:</b> Federally-recognized tribes<br/><b>Objectives:</b> Funds homeland security initiatives for tribes<br/><b>Personnel:</b> 50% cap<br/><b>Planning and Organization:</b> Prioritizing needs; updating preparedness strategies; allocating resources across stakeholder groups and levels of government; implementing standardized resource management concepts<br/><b>Equipment:</b> Related to communications, emergency supplies<br/><b>Maintenance and Sustainment:</b> Upgrades, user fees, warranties<br/><b>Construction and Renovation:</b> Communication towers</p>   |

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| FEMA   | <p><a href="#"><u>Assistance to Firefighters Grant (AFG)</u></a><br/>AFG supports firefighters and emergency response personnel by providing critically needed resources that equip and train emergency personnel to recognized standards, enhance operational efficiencies, foster interoperability, and support community resilience.</p>                              | <p><b>Program Amount:</b> \$414,000,000<br/><b>Application Deadline:</b> FY 2021 applications due 12/17/2021; FY 2022 application period to be announced<br/><b>Competitive:</b> Cost share is based on population</p>                                 | <p><b>Eligible Applicants:</b> Fire departments, nonaffiliated emergency medical service organizations, and state fire training academies<br/><b>Objectives:</b> Procurement of critically needed equipment, protective gear, emergency vehicles, training, and other resources necessary for protecting the public and emergency personnel from fire and related hazards<br/><b>Training:</b> Training to support operations and safety<br/><b>Equipment:</b> Project 25 interoperable communications equipment, protective gear, emergency vehicles, and other resources</p>   |
| FEMA   | <p><a href="#"><u>Fire Prevention and Safety (FP&amp;S) Grants</u></a><br/>FP&amp;S grants support projects that enhance the safety of the public and firefighters from fire and related hazards. The primary goal is to reduce injury and prevent death among high-risk populations.</p>  | <p><b>Program Amount:</b> \$35,500,000<br/><b>Application Deadline:</b> FY 2020 applications due 2/26/2021; FY 2021 application period to be announced<br/><b>Competitive:</b> 5% cost share required of non-federal cash or in-kind contributions</p> | <p><b>Eligible Applicants:</b> Fire departments and national, regional, state, local, tribal, and nonprofit fire organizations, and other organizations such academic, public health, occupational health, and injury prevention institutions<br/><b>Objectives:</b> Fulfill fire prevention education and training, fire code enforcement, fire/arson investigation, firefighter safety and health programming, prevention efforts, and research and development<br/><b>Training:</b> Educate or train personnel in the area of public education<br/><b>Equipment:</b> Arson investigation equipment, surveillance equipment, and media equipment</p> |
| FEMA   | <p><a href="#"><u>Staffing for Adequate Fire and Emergency Response (SAFER)</u></a><br/>The SAFER program assists local fire departments with staffing and deployment capabilities to respond to emergencies and assure that communities have adequate protection from fire and fire-related hazards</p>   | <p><b>Program Amount:</b> \$355,000,000<br/><b>Application Deadline:</b> FY 2020 applications due 3/12/2021; FY 2021 application period to be announced<br/><b>Competitive:</b> No cost share or matching requirement</p>                              | <p><b>Eligible Applicants:</b> Fire departments and nonaffiliated emergency medical service organizations<br/><b>Objectives:</b> Hiring and recruitment of additional firefighters to improve staffing levels<br/><b>Organization:</b> Increasing the number of firefighters capable of safely responding to emergencies<br/><b>Training:</b> Recruitment, firefighter and emergency response training<br/><b>Equipment:</b> Personal protective equipment</p>   |
| FEMA   | <p><a href="#"><u>Emergency Management Baseline Assessment Grant (EMBAG)</u></a><br/>EMBAG helps to ensure jurisdictions have accredited emergency management programs and certified professionals through voluntary national-level standards and peer review assessment processes to identify the capacity and shortfalls, as well as develop a path to compliance.</p> | <p><b>Program Amount:</b> \$825,000<br/><b>Application Deadline:</b> 6/4/2021<br/><b>Formula-based:</b> No cost share or matching requirement</p>  | <p><b>Eligible Applicants:</b> Nonprofit organizations and institutes of higher education<br/><b>Planning:</b> Funds to support assessment and accreditation or certification of emergency management programs<br/><b>Training/Exercises:</b> Provides training needed for assessors to complete the assessment of emergency management programs</p>   |



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| FEMA   | <p><a href="#">Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities (BRIC)</a></p> <p>The BRIC program makes federal funds available to states, U.S territories, federally-recognized tribal governments, and local communities for hazard mitigation activities.</p>   | <p><b>Program Amount:</b> \$1,000,000,000; Of this total, \$56,000,000 designated for states and territories; \$25,000,000 designated for tribes; and remaining \$919,000,000 available for competition</p> <p><b>Application Deadline:</b> 1/28/2022</p> <p><b>Combination of Formula-based and Competitive:</b> Cost share required, varies by applicant</p> | <p><b>Eligible Applicants:</b> States, territories, the District of Columbia, or federally-recognized tribes that experienced a Stafford Act disaster declaration within the past seven years; applicants must have a FEMA-approved Hazard Mitigation Plan at the time of application</p> <p><b>Objectives:</b> Promote partnerships and enable high-impact investments to reduce risk from natural hazards with a focus on critical services and facilities, public infrastructure, public safety, public health, and communities; mitigate risk to one or more community lifelines, including communications</p> <p><b>Management:</b> Up to 10% for delivery of technical assistance, staff salaries, travel, and other expenses</p> <p><b>Equipment:</b> Purchases that directly relate to the implementation of Hazard Mitigation Assistance programs</p> |
| FEMA   | <p><a href="#">Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP)</a></p> <p>HMGP provides funding to state, local, tribal, and territorial governments to rebuild in a way that reduces, or mitigates, future disaster losses in their communities.</p>   | <p><b>Program Amount:</b> Up to \$458,000,000 available</p> <p><b>Application Deadline:</b> Rolling</p> <p><b>Sliding Scale Formula:</b> Funding is based on the estimated total or aggregate cost of disaster assistance; Cost share required, up to 25%</p>  | <p><b>Eligible Applicants:</b> States, territories, localities, private nonprofit organizations, federally-recognized tribes, and authorized tribal organizations with a letter of intent sent to FEMA within 30 days of a Stafford Act disaster declaration</p> <p><b>Construction:</b> Structural hazard control or protection projects; construction activities that result in protection from hazards; facility retrofitting</p> <p><b>Planning:</b> Development of state or local mitigation standards</p> <p><b>Equipment:</b> Property acquisition; development or improvement of warning systems</p>   |
| FEMA   | <p><a href="#">Homeland Security National Training Program (HSNTP) Continuing Training Grants (CTG)</a></p> <p>CTG provides financial assistance to support and target training solutions for state, local, tribal, and territorial partners, which supports the objective of the National Preparedness System to facilitate an integrated, whole community, risk-informed, capabilities-based approach to preparedness.</p> | <p><b>Program Amount:</b> \$6,000,000</p> <p><b>Application Deadline:</b> 8/16/2021</p> <p><b>Competitive:</b> No cost share or matching requirement</p>   | <p><b>Eligible Applicants:</b> State, county, city, township, and special district governments, institutions of higher education, nonprofits, and federally-recognized tribes</p> <p><b>Objectives:</b> Promote equity in tribal and rural preparedness by identifying current and emerging national gaps and training solutions to address the gaps in eight specific training objectives</p> <p><b>Training/Exercises:</b> Provide training on environmental health, hazardous materials incidents, mass fatality planning and response, crisis management for school-based incidents, development of emergency operations plans, rail car safety, agroterrorism and food/animal safety, and media engagement strategies for first responders</p>  |

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| FEMA   | <p><a href="#">Homeland Security Preparedness Technical Assistance Program (HSPTAP)</a></p> <p>HSPTAP provides financial assistance to professional nonprofit organizations in activities to improve and/or build state, local, tribal, and territorial capabilities to prevent, protect against, respond to, recover from, and mitigate major events, including threats or acts of terrorism.</p>   | <p><b>Program Amount:</b> \$525,000; Applicants are eligible to apply for up to \$275,000</p> <p><b>Application Deadline:</b> 7/30/2021</p> <p><b>Competitive:</b> No cost share or matching requirement</p> | <p><b>Eligible Applicants:</b> Nonprofit organizations and institutions of higher education</p> <p><b>Objectives:</b> Develop and disseminate written products; facilitate calls, meetings, or discussions; provide and organize seminars, training, and workshops for key homeland security and emergency preparedness stakeholders nationwide</p> <p><b>Planning:</b> Address current and emerging homeland security, emergency management and public safety issues and efforts</p> <p><b>Training/Exercises:</b> Establish and maintain a collaborative forum</p>   |
| FEMA   | <p><a href="#">Regional Catastrophic Preparedness Grant Program (RCPGP)</a></p> <p>The purpose of RCPGP is to build state and local capacity to manage catastrophic incidents by improving and expanding regional collaboration for catastrophic incident preparedness.</p>  | <p><b>Program Amount:</b> \$12,000,000</p> <p><b>Application Deadline:</b> 7/16/2021</p> <p><b>Competitive:</b> No cost share or matching requirement</p>  | <p><b>Eligible Applicants:</b> States containing one or more of the 100 most populous Metropolitan Statistical Areas (MSAs) or local governments located within one of the 100 most populous MSAs</p> <p><b>Objectives:</b> Provide funding to close known preparedness capability gaps, including communications; encourage innovative regional solutions to issues related to catastrophic incidents; and build on existing regional preparedness efforts</p> <p><b>Personnel:</b> Hiring, overtime, and backfill expenses</p> <p><b>Planning:</b> Development of all-hazards emergency preparedness planning cycles with regional partners to improve collective readiness posture</p> <p><b>Training/Exercises:</b> Establish training and exercises to validate preparedness capabilities and evaluate plan effectiveness</p> |
| FEMA   | <p><a href="#">National Urban Search and Rescue (US&amp;R) Response System Readiness</a></p> <p>US&amp;R provides funding for 28 national task forces staffed and equipped to assist state and local governments conduct around-the-clock US&amp;R operations following a Presidentially-declared major disaster or emergency under the Stafford Act. When deployed, these task forces support state and local emergency responders' efforts to locate survivors and manage recovery operations.</p> | <p><b>Program Amount:</b> \$35,766,584</p> <p><b>Application Deadline:</b> 7/15/2021</p> <p><b>Formula-based cooperative agreement:</b> No cost share or matching requirement</p>                            | <p><b>Eligible Applicants:</b> FEMA-designated US&amp;R Task Force Sponsoring Agencies as listed in the NOFO</p> <p><b>Objectives:</b> Provide funding to train and exercise National US&amp;R Response System personnel to safely perform assigned duties; acquire and maintain equipment, including lease of space for offices, training facilities, or storage of vehicles and equipment; provide staffing resources to support readiness and standby activities</p> <p><b>Equipment:</b> Land mobile radios and repeaters, satellite communications, cellular-based phone and data capabilities</p>  |

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| <p>Science &amp; Technology Directorate</p> | <p><a href="#">Small Business Innovation Research (SBIR) 20.1</a><br/>The SBIR program is a congressionally mandated small business set-aside designed to stimulate technological innovation and foster small business and private sector commercialization of innovations derived from federal research and development.</p>  | <p><b>Program Amount:</b> Phase I awards are limited to \$100,000; Phase II awards are limited to \$750,000; Phase III awards are unlimited<br/><b>Application Deadline:</b> Pre-solicitation by 12/17/2019 and proposal submission by 1/22/2020<br/><b>Competitive:</b> Each grant proposal will be evaluated on relevance of the specific concept as it relates to SBIR topics</p> | <p><b>Eligible Applicants:</b> Small businesses; opportunities to partner with state and local public safety agencies<br/><b>Objectives:</b> Funds research to develop new processes, products, and technologies in support of the missions of the U.S. Government<br/><b>Research and Development:</b> Consist of topics relevant to the Next Generation 911 Multimedia Content Analysis Engine Capability for the Emergency Communications Cyber Security Center; Remote Sensor Data Protection and Anti-Spoofing; Digital Paging over Public Television; Soft Targets and Crowded Places Security; In-building Coverage Analysis System (ICAS) Using Existing First Responder's Radio and Smartphone; Handheld Advanced Detection/Imaging Technology System; Enhanced Explosives and Illicit Drugs Detection by Targeted Interrogation of Surfaces; Urban Canyon Detection Tracking and Identification of Small Unmanned Aerial Vehicles; Machine Learning Module for Detection Technologies; Innovative Technologies for Next Generation of Sample Collection Media; Development and Evaluation of Nucleic Acid-Based Assays to Accelerate Biohazard Detection</p> |
| <b>Department of the Interior (DOI)</b>     |  |  |  |
| <p>Office of Insular Affairs</p>            | <p><a href="#">Technical Assistance Program (TAP)</a><br/>TAP provides funding for short-term, non-capital projects. Priorities include: climate change, energy production, natural and cultural resources, health initiatives and health IT systems, invasive species management, accountability, financial management, economic development, education, management control initiatives, disaster assistance, capacity building, public safety/emergencies, and information technology.</p> | <p><b>Funding:</b> \$21,500,000<br/><b>Application Deadline:</b> 4/1/2022<br/><b>Competitive:</b> Applications will be scored based on criteria provided in the NOFO</p>   | <p><b>Eligible Applicants:</b> Non-federal entities such as local government agencies and institutions of higher education in seven insular areas, as listed in the NOFO<br/><b>Objectives:</b> Provides funding for short-term projects intended to meet the immediate needs of the insular areas<br/><b>Allowable Costs:</b> Activities in support of public safety and emergencies; disaster assistance; health initiatives and health IT systems, and information technology</p>   |

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| <b>Department of Justice (DOJ)</b>          |   |  |   |
| Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) | <p><b><u>Community Policing Development (CPD) Microgrants</u></b></p> <p>CPD Microgrants funds are used to develop the capacity of law enforcement to implement community policing strategies by providing guidance on promising practices through the development and testing of innovative strategies; building knowledge about effective practices and outcomes; and supporting new, creative approaches to preventing crime and promoting safe communities.</p> | <p><b>Program Amount:</b> Up to \$3,000,000 available</p> <p><b>Application Deadline:</b> 7/7/2021</p> <p><b>Competitive:</b> Eligible projects are selected based on specific criteria in the funding announcement</p>  | <p><b>Eligible Applicants:</b> Local, state, and tribal law enforcement agencies</p> <p><b>Objectives:</b> Funds are used to advance crime fighting, community engagement, problem solving, or organizational changes to support community policing in one of five engagement areas: community trust and legitimacy, officer engagement, youth engagement, hate crimes and domestic terrorism, and community violence intervention</p> <p><b>Personnel:</b> Civilian staff and fringe benefits</p> <p><b>Training:</b> Develop and deliver training; travel-related costs</p> |
| COPS  | <p><b><u>Coordinated Tribal Assistance Solicitation (CTAS)</u></b></p> <p>CTAS seeks to improve public safety and victim services in tribal communities. The program provides federally-recognized tribes and tribal consortia an opportunity to develop a comprehensive and coordinated approach to public safety and victimization issues and to apply for funding.</p>   | <p><b>Program Amount:</b> Available funding ranges from \$150,000 to \$4,800,000</p> <p><b>Application Deadline:</b> 3/30/2021</p> <p><b>Competitive:</b> Applications must focus on: enhance law enforcement, bolster justice systems, prevent youth substance abuse, and support other efforts to combat crime</p> | <p><b>Eligible Applicants:</b> Federally-recognized tribes or tribal consortiums</p> <p><b>Objectives:</b> Funds implementation of community policing and meets the most serious needs of law enforcement in tribal nations</p> <p><b>Personnel:</b> Staff for technical assistance, law enforcement officers</p> <p><b>Training:</b> Develop, deliver, attend, and evaluate training</p> <p><b>Equipment:</b> Uniforms, basic issue equipment, technology, and vehicles</p>  |
| COPS  | <p><b><u>COPS Hiring Program (CHP)</u></b></p> <p>CHP is designed to increase the capacity of law enforcement agencies to implement community policing strategies that strengthen partnerships for safer communities and enhance law enforcement's capacity to prevent, solve, and control crime through funding for additional officers.</p>   | <p><b>Program Amount:</b> Up to \$140,000,000</p> <p><b>Application Deadline:</b> 6/15/2021</p> <p><b>Competitive:</b> Minimum 25% cost share required, but may be waived; applications are scored based on criteria provided in the NOFO</p>  | <p><b>Eligible Applicants:</b> State, local, and tribal law enforcement agencies with primary law enforcement authority</p> <p><b>Objectives:</b> Provides funding to hire and re-hire career law enforcement officers in order to increase community policing capacities and support crime prevention efforts</p> <p><b>Personnel:</b> Law enforcement officers approved full-time, entry-level salaries and fringe benefits of newly hired or rehired sworn career law enforcement officers hired or rehired on or after the award start date</p>                           |

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| Office of Justice Programs (OJP) | <p><a href="#">Body-Worn Camera Policy and Implementation Program to Support Law Enforcement</a></p> <p>This program funds body-worn cameras (BWCs) that are implemented as part of comprehensive BWC programs. Funding can be used to support pilot BWC programs, establish new BWC implementation, or expand existing programs.</p>   | <p><b>Program Amount:</b> \$27,500,000; Up to \$2,000,000 per award</p> <p><b>Application Deadline:</b> 7/12/2021</p> <p><b>Competitive:</b> Eligible projects are selected based on specific criteria in the funding announcement; 50% cash or in-kind match required</p>   | <p><b>Eligible Applicants:</b> City or township governments; county governments; independent school districts; federally-recognized tribal governments; public- and state-controlled institutions of higher education; public or Indian housing authorities; special district governments; state governments; territory governments</p> <p><b>Objectives:</b> Support the purchase of BWCs by law enforcement agencies to ensure that they are deployed as part of a comprehensive BWC program that embodies evidence-based and problem-solving approaches</p> <p><b>Personnel:</b> Travel costs; salaries; telephone charges</p> <p><b>Software:</b> Software development costs incurred during the award period</p>  |
| OJP                              | <p><a href="#">Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program – State Solicitation</a></p> <p><a href="#">Edward Byrne Memorial JAG Program – Local Solicitation</a></p> <p>The JAG Program funds support all components of the criminal justice system, from community violence interventions to law enforcement accreditation, policy development and training, technologies that support transparency and information sharing, and innovative forensic technologies.</p> | <p><b>Program Amount:</b> JAG Program awards are calculated using violent crime data from the Federal Bureau of Investigation</p> <p><b>Application Deadline for States:</b> 7/8/2021</p> <p><b>Application Deadline for Local Government Units:</b> 8/9/2021</p> <p><b>Formula-based:</b> JAG awards are based on a statutory formula in the solicitation</p> | <p><b>Eligible Applicants:</b> State governments; local government units; federally-recognized tribes; law enforcement district; judicial enforcement district established under state law</p> <p><b>Objectives:</b> Funds law enforcement, prosecution, courts, crime prevention and education, corrections and community corrections, drug treatment and enforcement, planning, evaluation, technology improvement, crime victim and witness initiatives and mental health programs and related law enforcement and corrections programs, including behavioral programs and crisis intervention teams</p> <p><b>Personnel:</b> Technical assistance, contractual support</p> <p><b>Training:</b> Develop and deliver trainings</p> <p><b>Equipment:</b> Supplies, information systems for criminal justice</p> <p><b>Research and Development:</b> Criminal justice-related research and evaluation activities</p> |

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| OJP    | <p><a href="#"><u>Smart Policing Initiative (SPI)</u></a><br/>                     SPI funds activities to reduce crime, increase case closure rates and agency efficiency, and improve relationships with communities served, specifically through support for innovative and evidence-based policing practices, more effective information sharing, and multi-agency collaboration.</p>       | <p><b>Program Amount:</b> Up to \$7,000,000 available<br/> <b>Application Deadline:</b> 7/6/2021<br/> <b>Competitive:</b> Eligible projects are selected based on specific criteria in the funding announcement</p>  | <p><b>Eligible Applicants:</b> State, local, and tribal law enforcement agencies, governmental non-law enforcement agencies acting as their fiscal agent, federally-recognized tribal governments that perform law enforcement functions, and a tribal consortium<br/> <b>Objectives:</b> Funds innovative ideas, technology, and evidence-based programming in police agencies in order to foster effective and consistent collaborations to increase public safety, and use technology, intelligence, and data in innovative ways<br/> <b>Planning:</b> Funds to test new operational approaches to crisis response, including mass casualty events, public safety issues associated with pandemics and natural disasters, and/or protest events<br/> <b>Equipment:</b> Software or hardware technology purchases related to the applicant's problem-solving strategy to respond to and reduce the identified crimes or policing challenge</p> |
| OJP    | <p><a href="#"><u>Student, Teachers, and Officers Preventing (STOP) School Violence Grant Program</u></a><br/>                     The STOP School Violence Grant Program is designed to improve K-12 school security by providing students and teachers with the tools they need to recognize, respond quickly to, and help prevent acts of violence and ensure a positive school climate.</p> | <p><b>Program Amount:</b> Up to \$2,000,000 for Category 1 applicants; up to \$1,000,000 for Category 2 applicants<br/> <b>Application Deadline:</b> 8/2/2021<br/> <b>Competitive:</b> Eligible projects are selected based on specific criteria in the funding announcement</p> | <p><b>Eligible Applicants:</b> Category 1: State governments; public and state-controlled institutions of higher education. Category 2: City or township governments; county governments; federally-recognized tribal governments; nonprofits with a 501(c)(3) status; private institutions of higher education; independent school districts<br/> <b>Objectives:</b> Train school personnel and educate students on preventing school violence; develop and implement a multidisciplinary threat assessment, intervention teams, or operate technology solutions<br/> <b>Planning:</b> Develop assessments, coordinate with community partners, and implement solutions, such as anonymous reporting systems for threats of school violence, including mobile telephone applications, hotlines, websites, or other school safety technology solutions for accurate identification of danger</p>   |

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| <b>Department of Transportation (DOT)</b>              |  |  |  |
| Federal Railroad Administration                        | <p><a href="#"><u>Consolidated Rail Infrastructure and Safety Improvements (CRISI)</u></a></p> <p>The CRISI program will enhance rail safety, help to undo inequities caused by transportation and land use policies and create new opportunities for underserved communities, provide energy efficient transportation options to confront the effects of climate change, invest in projects that spur economic growth, and ensure freight networks can meet the mobility demands of a growing population. This program also aims to improve railroad safety, efficiency, and reliability; mitigate congestion at both intercity passenger and freight rail chokepoints; enhance multi-modal connections; and lead to new or substantially improved intercity passenger rail transportation corridors.</p> | <p><b>Program Amount:</b> \$361,978,796; information on specific set-asides can be found in the NOFO</p> <p><b>Application Deadline:</b> 11/29/2021</p> <p><b>Competitive:</b> Minimum 20% match requirement</p>         | <p><b>Eligible Applicants:</b> State governments, Class II or Class III railroads, Amtrak and other rail carriers</p> <p><b>Objectives:</b> Funds rail safety projects such as grade crossing enhancements, rail line relocations, and deployment of railroad safety technology</p> <p><b>Training:</b> Rail safety training and implementation of Positive Train Control systems</p> <p><b>Equipment:</b> Intercity passenger rail equipment, back office systems; wayside, communications, and onboard hardware equipment; software; equipment installation; spectrum; system testing</p>  |
| Federal Transit Administration (FTA)                   | <p><a href="#"><u>Passenger Ferry Grant Program</u></a></p> <p>The purpose of the Passenger Ferry Grant Program is to support capital projects to improve existing passenger ferry services, establish new ferry services, and repair and modernize ferry boats, terminals, and related facilities and equipment.</p>  | <p><b>Program Amount:</b> \$38,000,000</p> <p><b>Application Deadline:</b> 10/5/2021</p> <p><b>Competitive:</b> Minimum 20% match requirement</p>  | <p><b>Eligible Applicants:</b> Designated recipients as defined in FTA Circular "Urbanized Area Formula Program: Program Guidance and Application Instructions", direct recipients of FTA's Urbanized Area Formula Grants, and public entities engaged in providing public transportation passenger ferry service in urban areas that are eligible to be direct recipients</p> <p><b>Objectives:</b> Funds for capital projects that support passenger ferry services that serves an urbanized area or operate between an urbanized area and non-urbanized areas</p> <p><b>Equipment:</b> Purchase, construction, replacement, or rehabilitation of ferries, terminals, related infrastructure, and related equipment (including fare equipment and communication devices)</p> |
| Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration | <p><a href="#"><u>State Damage Prevention (SDP) Program Grants</u></a></p> <p>The purpose of the SDP grant is to establish comprehensive state programs designed to prevent damage to underground pipelines in states that do not have such programs and to improve damage prevention programs in states that do.</p>  | <p><b>Program Amount:</b> \$1,880,000; Grant awards may not exceed \$100,000</p> <p><b>Application Deadline:</b> 3/15/2021</p> <p><b>Competitive:</b> Applications are scored based on criteria provided in the NOFO</p> | <p><b>Eligible Applicants:</b> Any state authority, designated by the Governor, with oversight of pipeline transportation</p> <p><b>Objectives:</b> Funds projects that enhance communications between operators and excavators and technologies to improve communications</p> <p><b>Planning:</b> Development and implementation of methods to establish and maintain effective communications</p> <p><b>Equipment:</b> Purchase of technologies that may enhance communications</p>  |

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| <b>National Science Foundation (NSF)</b>       |   |   |   |
| National Center for Wireless Spectrum Research | <p><a href="#">Spectrum Innovation Program</a></p> <p>The Spectrum Innovation Program supports the transformational impact of wireless spectrum research by serving as a connecting point for the biggest and most challenging spectrum management questions.</p> | <p><b>Program Amount:</b> \$25,000,000</p> <p><b>Application Deadline:</b> 4/30/2021</p> <p><b>Competitive:</b> Proposals are evaluated based on NSF criteria</p> | <p><b>Eligible Applicants:</b> Nonprofits, nonacademic organizations, and institutions of higher learning; opportunities to partner with state and local public safety agencies</p> <p><b>Objectives:</b> Ensure the U.S. leads in future wireless technologies, systems, and applications in science and engineering through the efficient use and sharing of the radio spectrum</p> <p><b>Research:</b> Wireless spectrum research and the scientific uses of the electromagnetic spectrum that enable fast, accurate, dynamic coordination and usage of limited spectrum</p> |



## CARES ACT GRANTS

The CARES Act includes over \$2.2 trillion in economic relief to the public and private sector for emergency assistance and healthcare response due to the 2020 coronavirus pandemic. Within the CARES Act, Division B: Emergency Appropriations for Coronavirus Health Response and Agency Operations, provides supplemental funding for new and existing federal grant programs. [Table 2](#) provides a summary of supplemental funding with potential applicability to emergency communications, listed by federal department and agency.

Table 2: List of Emergency Communications-Related CARES Act Grants

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| <b>Department of Agriculture</b>                  |   |   |   |
| Rural Utility Service                             | <a href="#">Distance Learning and Telemedicine (DLT)</a><br>DLT funds telecommunications enabled information, audio and video equipment, and related advanced technologies that extend educational and medical applications into rural areas. Funds may also be used to provide for communication upgrades between ambulances, emergency transportation vehicles, and medical facilities. | <b>Funding:</b> \$25,000,000 in supplemental program funding; available until expended<br><b>Application Deadline:</b> First application period was due 4/10/2020; second application period due 7/13/2020<br><b>Allocation Method:</b> Eligible projects are selected based on specific criteria in the NOFO; minimum 15% match is required    | <b>Eligible Applicants:</b> Entities that provide education or health care through telecommunications, including most state and local governmental entities, federally-recognized tribes, nonprofits, for-profit businesses, and a consortium of other eligible entities<br><b>Allowable Costs:</b> Acquisition of eligible capital assets, such as broadband transmission facilities; audio, video and interactive video equipment; terminal and data terminal equipment; computer hardware, network components, and software; inside wiring and similar infrastructure; instructional programming |
| <b>Federal Communications Commission (FCC)</b>    |   |   |   |
| Wireline Competition Bureau                       | <a href="#">COVID-19 Telehealth Program</a><br>COVID-19 Telehealth Program provides immediate support to health care providers responding to the pandemic by fully funding their telecommunications services, information services, and devices necessary to provide critical connected care services.  | <b>Funding:</b> \$200,000,000 in supplemental funds<br><b>Application Deadline:</b> FCC released <a href="#">application guidance</a> on 4/8/2020; rolling application period<br><b>Allocation Method:</b> Funds via the System for Award Management  | <b>Eligible Applicants:</b> Health care providers with an eligibility determination from the Universal Service Administrative Company for each health care provider site included in the application<br><b>Allowable Costs:</b> Telecommunications services including voice and broadband; information services software, platforms, and equipment; internet connected devices and equipment  |
| <b>Department of Health and Human Services</b>    |   |   |   |
| Assistant Secretary for Preparedness and Response | <a href="#">Hospital Preparedness Program (HPP)</a><br>HPP's purpose is to strengthen and enhance the acute care medical surge capacity through the maintenance and growth of strong health care coalitions.  | <b>Funding:</b> \$250,000,000 in supplemental program funding, available until 9/30/2024<br><b>Application Deadline:</b> Supplemental funding was awarded in May 2020; FY 2020 application period to be announced<br><b>Allocation Method:</b> Cooperative agreement is awarded to states or consortium of states with 10% matching requirement | <b>Eligible Applicants:</b> State, county, city, or township, and special district governments<br><b>Allowable Costs:</b> Funds to build acute care medical surge capacity; staff to assist with planning, training, and exercises; engage emergency communications stakeholders in planning; develop assessments and inventories   |

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| Centers for Disease Control (CDC)            | <p><a href="#">Public Health Emergency Preparedness (PHEP)</a><br/>PHEP's purpose is to strengthen and enhance the capabilities of state, local, and territorial public health systems to respond effectively to evolving threats and other emergencies, and to improve the readiness of the public health system to save lives during emergencies that exceed the day-to-day capacity and capability of the public health emergency response systems.</p> | <p><b>Funding:</b> \$1,500,000,000 in supplemental program funding, available until 9/30/2024<br/><b>Application Deadline:</b> FY 2020 applications were due 3/17/2020 prior to CARES Act; supplemental and FY 2021 application periods to be announced<br/><b>Allocation Method:</b> Cooperative agreement is awarded to states or consortium of states with 10% matching requirement</p> | <p><b>Eligible Applicants:</b> State, county, city, or township, and special district governments<br/><b>Allowable Costs:</b> Staff to assist with planning, training, and exercises; whole community planning for all populations, including tribal engagement; continuity of operations and administrative preparedness plans tested via tabletop exercises; personal protective equipment</p>  |
| CDC  | <p><a href="#">Supporting Tribal Public Health Capacity in Coronavirus Preparedness and Response</a><br/>This emergency funding opportunity is designed to fund federally-recognized tribes that contract or compact with the Indian Health Service. The funding supports tribal public health emergency response to COVID-19.</p>   | <p><b>Funding:</b> \$40,000,000<br/><b>Application Deadline:</b> 6/3/2020<br/><b>Allocation Method:</b> Notice of award will include a pre-determined base funding amount, calculated by the CDC</p>   | <p><b>Eligible Applicants:</b> Federally-recognized tribes, tribal organizations, consortia of federally-recognized tribes, or their bona fide agents<br/><b>Allowable Costs:</b> Emergency operations and coordination; health information technology; surveillance and epidemiology; laboratory capacity; communications guidance and information sharing; procurement of supplies and equipment; restoration of communications to pre-event functioning; development of improved plans; establishment of emergency operations centers, incident management systems, and continuity of operations plans</p>     |
| Health Resources and Services Administration | <p><a href="#">Rural Tribal COVID-19 Response</a><br/>This emergency funding opportunity provides support to help federally-recognized tribes prevent, prepare, and respond to COVID-19 in rural communities.</p>  | <p><b>Funding:</b> \$15,000,000<br/><b>Application Deadline:</b> 5/6/2020<br/><b>Allocation Method:</b> Applications will be scored based on criteria provided in the NOFO</p>   | <p><b>Eligible Applicants:</b> Federally-recognized tribes, tribal organizations, urban Native American health organizations, and health service providers to tribes<br/><b>Allowable Costs:</b> Establishing testing sites; purchasing test kits; implementing telehealth activities; purchasing personal protective equipment and supplies; hiring or training health care providers and personnel to provide care for COVID-19 patients. While communications are not specifically mentioned in the NOFO, recipients should consider integrating activities into planning related to public safety efforts</p> |
| <b>Department of Homeland Security</b>       |  |  |   |
| Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)   | <p><a href="#">Assistance to Firefighters Grant (AFG)</a><br/>AFG supports firefighters and emergency response personnel by providing critically needed resources that equip and train emergency personnel to recognized standards, enhance operational efficiencies, foster interoperability, and support community resilience.</p>   | <p><b>Funding:</b> \$100,000,000 in supplemental program funding, available until 9/30/2021<br/><b>Application Deadline:</b> 11/13/2020<br/><b>Allocation Method:</b> Cost share is based on population</p>  | <p><b>Eligible Applicants:</b> Fire departments, nonaffiliated emergency medical service organizations, and state fire training academies<br/><b>Allowable Costs:</b> Protective gear; emergency vehicles; training and other resources for operations and safety; regional projects; Project 25-compliant interoperable communications equipment</p>   |

| Office                            | Financial Assistance Program Description and Website  | Funding, Application Deadline, and Allocation Method  | Eligible Applicants and Emergency Communications-Related Allowable Costs  |
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| FEMA                              | <p><a href="#">Emergency Management Performance Grant COVID-19 Supplemental (EMPG-S)</a></p> <p>EMPG-S program provides funds to assist state, local, tribal, and territorial emergency management agencies with preventing, preparing for, and responding to the COVID-19 public health emergency.</p>   | <p><b>Funding:</b> \$100,000,000</p> <p><b>Application Deadline:</b> 4/28/2020; required work plan must be submitted by 7/30/2020</p> <p><b>Allocation Method:</b> Amounts for each state/territory are listed in the NOFO; 50% match is required</p>   | <p><b>Eligible Applicants:</b> State Administrative Agency of states/territories or Emergency Management Agency</p> <p><b>Allowable Costs:</b> Funds activities for preventing, preparing for, and responding to the coronavirus, including: planning; organization; equipment; training; hiring consultants/ contractors to assist with training and planning; domestic travel; rental of real property; supplies; construction and renovation; maintenance and sustainment</p>  |
| FEMA                              | <p><a href="#">Public Assistance (PA) Grants</a></p> <p>PA grants assist communities in responding to and recovering from major disasters or emergencies declared by the President. It provides funding for permanently restoring community infrastructure.</p>   | <p><b>Funding:</b> Up to \$45,000,000,000 in supplemental funding, available until expended</p> <p><b>Application Deadline:</b> Rolling application period</p> <p><b>Allocation Method:</b> Minimum 25% cost share is required</p>  | <p><b>Eligible Applicants:</b> States, federally-recognized tribal governments, U.S. territories, local governments, and certain private nonprofit organizations</p> <p><b>Allowable Costs:</b> Funds labor, equipment, materials, contract work, as well as direct and indirect administrative costs</p>   |
| <b>Department of the Interior</b> |   |   |   |
| Office of Insular Affairs         | <p><a href="#">Technical Assistance Program (TAP)</a></p> <p>TAP provides funding for short-term, non-capital projects. Priorities include: accountability, financial management, economic development, education, energy production, management control initiatives, disaster assistance, natural and cultural resources, capacity building, public safety/emergencies, health initiatives, and invasive species management.</p> | <p><b>Funding:</b> \$55,000,000 in supplemental program funding, available until 9/30/2021</p> <p><b>Application Deadline:</b> FY 2020 applications due 5/1/2020; supplemental funding has been awarded to insular area governments</p> <p><b>Allocation Method:</b> Applications will be scored based on criteria provided in the NOFO</p> | <p><b>Eligible Applicants:</b> Non-federal entities such as local government agencies and institutions of higher education in U.S. territories</p> <p><b>Allowable Costs:</b> Public safety and emergencies; disaster assistance; information technology</p>  |
| <b>Department of Justice</b>      |   |   |   |
| Office of Justice Programs        | <p><a href="#">Coronavirus Emergency Supplemental Funding Program</a></p> <p>This emergency funding opportunity is designed to help public safety agencies respond to the challenges posed by the outbreak of COVID-19.</p>   | <p><b>Funding:</b> \$850,000,000 in supplemental program funding, available until expended</p> <p><b>Application Deadline:</b> 5/29/2020</p> <p><b>Allocation Method:</b> Grants will be made based on NOFO and OJP Grant Application Resource Guide</p>  | <p><b>Eligible Applicants:</b> States, territories, units of local government, and federally-recognized tribal governments that were eligible for funding under the FY 2019 State and Local Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program</p> <p><b>Allowable Costs:</b> Overtime; equipment, including law enforcement and medical personal protective equipment; hiring; supplies such as gloves, masks, sanitizer; training; travel expenses; addressing medical needs of inmates in state, local, and tribal prisons, jails, and detention centers</p> |

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