



# Homeland Security

## FY 2013 Emergency Management Performance Grants (EMPG) Program

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### Overview

As appropriated by the *Department of Homeland Security Appropriations Act, 2013* (Public Law 113-6); the Fiscal Year (FY) 2013 Emergency Management Performance Grants (EMPG) Program provides resources to assist state, local, tribal, and territorial governments in preparing for all hazards, as authorized by the *Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act* (42 U.S.C. 5121 et seq.). The FY 2013 EMPG program plays an important role in the implementation of the National Preparedness System (NPS) by supporting the building, sustainment, and delivery of core capabilities essential to achieving the National Preparedness Goal (NPG) of a secure and resilient Nation. Delivering core capabilities requires the combined effort of the whole community, rather than the exclusive effort of any single organization or level of government. The FY 2013 EMPG's allowable costs support efforts to build and sustain core capabilities across the prevention, protection, mitigation, response, and recovery mission areas.

*In Fiscal Year 2013, DHS will award \$332,456,012 to enhance the ability of state, local, tribal, and territorial governments to prevent, protect against, mitigate, respond to and recover from potential terrorist acts and other hazards.*

Title VI of the *Stafford Act* authorizes FEMA to make grants for the purpose of providing a system of emergency preparedness for the protection of life and property in the United States from hazards, and to vest responsibility for emergency preparedness jointly in the Federal government and the states and their political subdivisions. The Federal government, through the EMPG Program, provides necessary direction, coordination, and guidance, and provides necessary assistance, as authorized in this title so that a comprehensive emergency preparedness system exists for all hazards.

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### Funding

In FY 2013, the total amount of funds distributed under the FY 2013 EMPG will be \$332,456,012. All 50 States, the District of Columbia, and Puerto Rico will receive a base amount of 0.75 percent of the total available grant funding. Four territories (American Samoa, Guam, Northern Mariana Islands, and the U.S. Virgin Islands) will receive a base amount of 0.25 percent of the total available grant funding. The balance of EMPG Program funds is distributed on a population-share basis. Pursuant to Title II of the Compact of Free Association Amendments Act of 2003 (Public Law 108-188), funds are also available for the Federated States of Micronesia and for the Republic of the Marshall Islands.

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## **Eligibility**

All 56 States and territories, as well as the Republic of the Marshall Islands and the Federated States of Micronesia, are eligible to apply for FY 2013 EMPG Program funds. Either the State Administrative Agent (SAA) or the State's Emergency Management Agency (EMA) are eligible to apply directly to FEMA for EMPG Program funds on behalf of state and local emergency management agencies, however only one application will be accepted from each state or territory.

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## **Funding Guidelines**

The FY 2013 EMPG Program will focus on planning, operations, equipment acquisitions, training, exercises, and construction and renovation in enhancing and sustaining their all-hazards core capabilities. For more information, please see the FY 2013 Funding Opportunity Announcement. The period of performance for the EMPG Program is 24 months from the date of award.

Additionally, a maximum of five percent of funds awarded can be used, by both the state and local EMA for Management and Administration (M&A) purposes associated with the grant award. If the SAA is not the EMA, the SAA is not eligible to retain funds for management and administration (M&A).

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## **Key FY 2013 EMPG Changes**

- EMPG Program Priorities and Objectives were updated to reflect the Department's focus around NPS implementation and whole community approach to supporting core capabilities across the five mission areas of prevention, protection, mitigation, response, and recovery based on allowable costs.
  - The Other Critical Information section was updated to include standard language around National Preparedness, National Incident Management System (NIMS) Implementation, and Threat and Hazard Identification and Risk Assessment (THIRA)/Capability Estimation.
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## **Application Process and Evaluation Criteria**

FY 2013 EMPG applications will undergo a complete content review within their respective FEMA Region. Each FEMA Region will be responsible for reviewing the FY 2013 EMPG Program Work Plan for their respective states/territories in order to assess their emergency management sustainment and enhancement efforts as well as the linkage to the core capabilities identified in the NPG.