Office of Congressman Carlos Gimenez (FL-26)

Community Project Funding (CPF): FY23 Homeland Security

Return completed form and required documentation to: jacqueline.olvera@mail.house.gov
Due Date: April 15, 2022

Note: Only non-profit entities and state and local government entities are eligible to request projects. Projects cannot be designated for private individuals or for-profit entities. The Subcommittee will only accept legally eligible requests under the following accounts: Pre-Disaster Mitigation Grants, Emergency Operations Center Grants.

Entity Requesting Funds (legal name, no abbreviations):

Primary Point of Contact (name, email, phone number, organization address):

Project Priority (if non-federal sponsor is submitting more than 1 project):

Project description (not more than 1,000 characters):

Include a budget describing in detail how the requested federal funding will be used by the grantee.

Include an explanation of why the project is a good use of taxpayer funds.

Has this request been submitted to another Member, if yes, which Member(s) and who is the staff point-of-contact?

Project funding for fiscal year 2022 ranged between $36,000 and $3,000,000 for Emergency Operations Center grants and between $150,000 and $9,950,000 for Pre-Disaster Mitigation grants. The Committee does not expect to fund projects for fiscal year 2023 that exceed the maximum amounts for fiscal year 2022.

Pre-Disaster Mitigation Projects

Only projects that meet the requirements detailed in the most recent Notice of Funding Opportunity for the Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities (BRIC) grant program will be considered for funding, including the cost-share requirement and environmental and historic preservation requirements, as applicable. For any projects designated for funding in the final fiscal year 2023 Homeland Security Appropriations Act, the state agency responsible for administering mitigation grants in the requestor’s state must submit an application to the Federal Emergency Management Agency, and that entity will serve as the administrative agent for the grant. Therefore, all project proposals must be accompanied by a letter of support from the appropriate state agency affirming that it believes the project is eligible.

Please pay careful attention to FEMA’s eligibility requirements when answering the following questions:

- Is the requesting jurisdiction a state, Indian tribal government, local government, or territory as defined by section 102 of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 5122)?
- Is the proposed project eligible under the most recent Notice of Funding Opportunity for the Building
• Can the requesting jurisdiction provide the required non-federal cost share, as detailed in the NOFO?
• If less than the requested amount were provided as the federal share, would additional state local, or other eligible funding sources be available to support the project?
• Can the requesting jurisdiction provide a Cost-Benefit Analysis or other documentation that validates cost-effectiveness, which is defined by FEMA as having a Benefit-Cost Ratio (BCA) of 1.0 or greater? A non-FEMA BCA methodology may only be used if preapproved by FEMA in writing.
• Is the entity that will benefit from the proposed activity covered by the current FEMA approved multi-hazard mitigation plan in compliance with 44 CFR Part 201? If so, what is the Final FEMA Approval date.
• How will the project provide long-term permanent risk-reduction, as opposed to simply supporting emergency protective measures?
• Can the recipient describe how the project supports the needs of vulnerable populations?
• Does the recipient specifically encourage the adoption and enforcement of the latest disaster resistant building codes?
• Provide a clear and detailed description of the proposed mitigation activity.
• How will the mitigation activity be implemented?
• Who will manage and complete the mitigation activity?
• What risks will remain from all hazards after project implementation (i.e., residual risk)?
• How does the project take into account future conditions?
• Has the project has been submitted to current or previous competitive BRIC funding cycles?
• If the answer to the previous question is yes, what is the subgrant ID?
• Community engagement and support is crucial in determining which projects are worthy of federal funding. Please describe or include evidence of community support that were compelling factors in the Member’s decision to submit this project request, including letters of support and any relevant links to information posted on the Member’s website or other online sources.
• Has your office or the community consulted with state/county/local emergency management officials or with FEMA about the proposed project?
• If the answer to the previous question is yes, please provide name agency and contact information.
• Is there or will there be a letter from the appropriate state officials confirming that should the project be approved the appropriate state agency is willing and able to serve as the recipient for the grant?

Emergency Operations Center Grant Program

Only projects that meet the requirements detailed in the most Notice of Funding Opportunity for the Emergency Operations Center Grant Program, including the cost-share requirement and environmental and historic preservation requirements, as applicable, will be considered for funding. For any projects designated for funding in the final fiscal year 2023 Homeland Security Appropriations Act, the respective state administrative agency (SAA) must submit an application to the Federal Emergency Management Agency, and that agency will serve as the administrative agent for the grant. Therefore, all project proposals must be accompanied by a letter of support from the appropriate SSA affirming that it believes the project is eligible.

Please pay careful attention to FEMA’s eligibility requirements when answering the following questions:
• Is the requesting jurisdiction a state, Indian tribal government, or local government as defined by section 102 or 602 of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, 42 USC 5122, 5195a?
• Is the proposed project eligible under the most recent Notice of Funding Opportunity for the Emergency Operations Center Grant Program? (For EOCs, the fiscal year 2011 NOFO is the most recent.)
• Can the requesting jurisdiction provide the required 25 percent non-federal cost share?
• If less than the requested amount were provided as the federal share, would additional state local, or other eligible funding sources be available to support the project?
• Is the requestor in a position to enhance their emergency management capabilities and address their Emergency Operations Center needs?
• Is the proposed project related to a structure or facility that meets the definition of an EOC, to include supporting incident management (on-scene) operations across multiple functional disciplines and/or jurisdictions?
• Is the facility (or will the facility) be the primary Emergency Operations Center for the jurisdiction?
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• Has your office or the community consulted with state/county/local emergency management officials or with FEMA about the proposed project?
• If the answer to the previous question is yes, please provide name agency and contact information.
• Is there or will there be a letter from the appropriate state officials confirming that should the project be approved the appropriate state agency is willing and able to serve as the recipient for the grant?