Public Assistance Applicant Briefing Announcement DR-4480
(COVID-19) May 4 – May 15, 2020

The Office of Disaster Recovery at the Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services is continuing to hold virtual Applicant Briefings to discuss federal funding from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) that may be available under the major disaster declaration for COVID-19 (DR- 4480).

The briefing will provide state, local and tribal governments and private non-profits guidance on the eligibility standards for applicants under a FEMA disaster grant and what types of activities are reimbursable under this current declaration.

Below are the dates and times when briefings will be held. We encourage anyone that is seeking reimbursement from FEMA for COVID-19 response activities to register.

FEMA makes the final determination on applicant eligibility for all applicants. Private Non-Profits (PNPs) must submit the following information with their Request for Public Assistance (RPA):

- DUNS Number
- Organizational Charter /By-Laws
- Tax Exempt Letter, 501(c), (d), or (e) IRS designation
- NYS Comptroller’s W-9 Form
- Articles of Incorporation
- FEMA PNP Questionnaire
- Deed/lease for NYS facility owned or operated by PNP
- Insurance policy covering NYS facility owned or operated by PNP

The current COVID-19 FEMA disaster grant can provide funding for actions taken before, during, and following the disaster to save lives, protect public health and ensure the safety of citizens. The following is a non-exhaustive list of items that may be eligible for federal reimbursement:

- Virus testing
- Medical supplies & equipment (e.g. PPE)
- Shelters or emergency care
- Provision of food, water, ice, other essential needs
- EOC Operations
- Security for temporary facilities

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