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Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities (BRIC)

What is BRIC?

FEMA provides federal funds for the Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities (BRIC) grant program to state, local, tribal and territorial governments for hazard mitigation activities, including capacity and capability activity types and hazard mitigation projects. BRIC is funded by a 6% set-aside from federal post-disaster grant funding each year. Funding is set aside for States and Tribal communities, while the remainder is left for national competition.

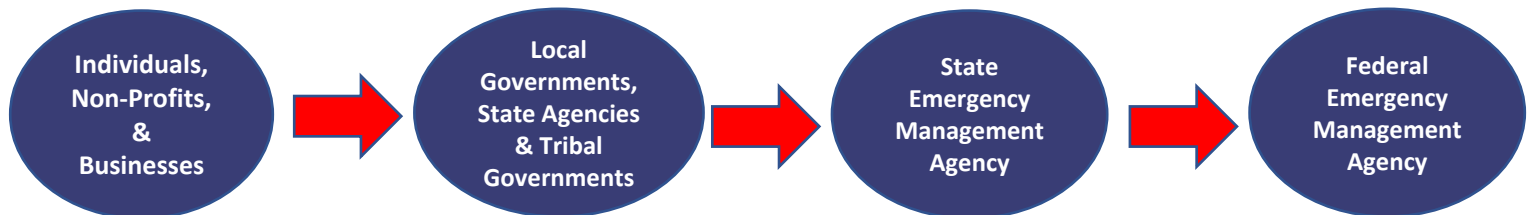
What Can BRIC Help Fund?

- Building Code Activities
- Promoting Partnerships
- Project Scoping*
- Hazard Mitigation Plans
- Managements Costs
- Mitigation Planning & Planning Related Activities
- Hazard Mitigation Projects** (Must have FEMA Benefit Cost Analysis (BCA) of 1.0 or higher***)



Who is Eligible to Apply?

Local Governments, Federally recognized Tribal Governments, and State Agencies who have a FEMA-approved Local Hazard Mitigation (LHMP)****.



Cost Share

BRIC cost share is 75% federal cost share funding/ 25% non-federal cost share funding. Economically Disadvantaged Rural Communities (EDRCs) are eligible for 90% federal cost share/ 10% non-federal cost share. EDRCs are communities of 3,000 or fewer people, identified by the applicant, with residents having an average per capita annual income no more than 80% of the national per capita income, based on the best available data.

Hazard mitigation project performed within, and/or that primarily benefit a designated Community Disaster Resilience Zone (CDRZ), as defined in 42 U.S.C. § 5136(a)(1), are eligible for 90% federal cost share/ 10% non-federal cost share, with the goal to lessen the financial burden on communities to perform resilience-related activities.

FEMA provides 100% federal cost share funding for management costs.

*Project Scoping grants must follow State, Local, and Federal Procurement Standards

**Shovel Ready Projects over \$250,000 are subject to the Build America Buy America Act and must follow State, Local, and Federal Procurement Standards

***Projects under \$1 million may submit a cost effectiveness narrative in lieu of a BCA

**** Capacity- and Capacity Building Activities are exempt from the Local Hazard Mitigation Plan Requirement



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Application Timeline



What Projects Could BRIC Fund?

Hazard Mitigation Plans

Generators

Floodplain Property Acquisition/Relocation

Drainage Improvements

Emergency Shelters/Safe Rooms

Water Treatment Plant Renovations/Relocation

Landslide Mitigation

Building Code Adoption Support

Seawall Repairs and Updates

Stormwater Retention

Bridge Renovations or Installation

Fire Hazard Mitigation

Drought Resiliency

Microgrids/Nanogrids

Flood Control

Underground Power Lines

Dam Renovation/Installation/Removal

Sewer Upgrades

Pump Stations

Climate Adaptation Studies

Other Nature-Based Solutions



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