

PrepareCA JumpStart, PrepareCA Match – FEMA HMGP, and 2021 FEMA HMGP Funding

Updates to the 2021 Notice of Funding Opportunity

PATHWAY FOR COMMUNITIES INTO RESILIENCE AND MITIGATION

JANUARY 18, 2022

Updated notice of all funding opportunities released

FEBRUARY 15, 2022

PrepareCA Match – FEMA HMGP and **2021 FEMA HMGP** NOIs due to Cal OES

FEBRUARY 28, 2022

PrepareCA JumpStart applications due to Cal OES

APRIL 8, 2022

PrepareCA Match – FEMA HMGP and **2021 FEMA HMGP** subapplications due to Cal OES

APRIL 2022

Cal OES announces **PrepareCA JumpStart** selections

SUMMER 2022

Cal OES announces **PrepareCA Match-FEMA HMGP** selections

FALL 2022

PrepareCA Match-FEMA HMGP and **2021 FEMA HMGP** subapplications are submitted to FEMA

Program Overview

The California Governor's Office of Emergency Services (Cal OES) is pleased to announce an update to the 2021 funding opportunity for FEMA's Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP). In addition, Cal OES is announcing a new one-time, state-funded initiative ("Prepare California") to help socially vulnerable and high hazard risk communities—which are impacted disproportionately by disasters and experience longer and more challenging economic and structural recoveries—jumpstart their progress toward greater resilience through advanced outreach, technical assistance, and funds to subsidize local mitigation and resilience initiatives.

Overall, 2021 FEMA HMGP and Prepare California (PrepareCA) mitigation and resilience funding can be grouped as follows:

1. PrepareCA JumpStart

\$15 million in state funding dedicated to help jumpstart eligible socially vulnerable and high hazard risk communities in their development and implementation of resilience planning and activities.

2. PrepareCA Match – FEMA HMGP

\$255 million in federal funding for eligible FEMA HMGP activities and projects benefiting eligible socially vulnerable and high hazard risk communities. PrepareCA Match – FEMA HMGP will provide \$85 million in state funding to cover the required 25% local cost share (non-federal share).

3. 2021 FEMA HMGP

~\$173 million in federal funding for eligible FEMA HMGP activities and projects to communities state-wide. Communities will be responsible for covering the required 25% local cost share (non-federal share).

WHO IS ELIGIBLE?

PREPARECA JUMPSTART & PREPARECA MATCH – FEMA HMGP

Eligible applicants must be a local or Tribal government—including cities and federally and non-federally recognized tribes—that are considered a socially vulnerable and high hazard risk community according to the [Cal OES Hazard Mitigation Assistance Division's Vulnerability Map](#).

Counties, special government districts, state agencies (for PrepareCA Match – FEMA HMGP only), and certain private nonprofits (consistent with 44 CFR §206.221 and 206.434) may also be eligible to receive funding if applications / subapplications can demonstrate that resilience and mitigation actions directly and primarily benefit a qualified socially vulnerable and high hazard risk community or communities.

2021 FEMA HMGP

Local governments—including cities, counties, special government districts, state agencies, and Tribal governments (federally and non-federally recognized tribes)—are considered eligible subapplicants. Certain private nonprofits may also be eligible.

OBJECTIVES

PrepareCA JumpStart

Provides technical assistance and state funding to qualified entities to develop local initiatives that directly and primarily benefit eligible socially vulnerable and high hazard risk communities; and create resiliency through capacity building, mitigation, preparedness activities, education, response and recovery planning, and/or future project scoping

PrepareCA Match – FEMA HMGP

Provides local (non-federal share) and federal cost share funding, as well as project scoping / subapplication technical assistance, to qualified entities to develop FEMA HMGP projects and activities that directly and primarily benefit eligible socially vulnerable and high hazard risk communities; and reduce risk to loss of life and property from natural hazards.

2021 FEMA HMGP

Provides federal cost share funding, as well as project scoping / subapplication technical assistance, to communities state-wide to develop FEMA HMGP projects and activities that reduce risk to loss of life and property from natural hazards.

HOW TO APPLY

PREPARECA JUMPSTART

Interested applicants for PrepareCA JumpStart must submit their proposal application to PrepareCAJumpStart@caloes.ca.gov with "PrepareCA JumpStart" in the subject line and in the title of the proposal application (e.g., *PrepareCA JumpStart, City of Mitigation, Risk Mapping Project*). The application can be found on [Cal OES' 404 Hazard Mitigation Grant Program](#) website.

PREPARECA MATCH – FEMA HMGP

Interested subapplicants for PrepareCA Match – FEMA HMGP must submit a notice of interest (NOI) via the [Engage Cal OES Portal](#) (and identify PrepareCA Match in the title; e.g., PrepareCA Match: City of Mitigation, Home Hardening Project) prior to submitting a subapplication.

2021 FEMA HMGP

Interested subapplicants for 2021 FEMA HMGP must submit an NOI via the [Engage Cal OES Portal](#) prior to submitting a subapplication.

Comparison of Funding Opportunities

	PrepareCA JumpStart	PrepareCA Match – FEMA HMGP	2021 FEMA HMGP
HMGP-Compliant:	No	Yes	Yes
Funding Agency:	Cal OES	Cal OES and FEMA	FEMA
Funding Amount:	\$15M in state funding	\$255M in federal funding (federal share); \$85 million in total state funding (i.e., non-federal share)	~\$173M in federal funding (federal share)
Apply As:	Applicant	Subapplicant	Subapplicant
Project Cost to Applicant / Subapplicant:	Fully funded by Cal OES (i.e., no local cost share for applicant)	25% local cost share (non-federal share) fully funded by Cal OES (i.e., no local cost share for subapplicant)	25% local cost share (non-federal share) funded by subapplicant
Funding Cap:	Applications may not receive more than \$1 million in state funds	Project costs cannot exceed the HMGP ceiling (\$255M)	Project costs cannot exceed the HMGP ceiling (\$173M)
Period of Performance:	60 months	36 months	36 months
Benefit-Cost Analysis:	Not required	Required	Required
Groundbreaking Activity / Construction Eligible:	Not eligible	Yes, eligible	Yes, eligible
Procurement:	State and local	State, local, and federal	State, local, and federal
Award:	Reimbursement based; advanced funding on case by case basis	Reimbursement based; advanced funding on case by case basis	Reimbursement based
How to Apply:	Email application and supporting documentation to: PrepareCAJumpStart@caloes.ca.gov	Submit notice of interest on Engage Cal OES Portal	Submit notice of interest on Engage Cal OES Portal
Questions:	PrepareCAJumpStart@caloes.ca.gov	HMA@caloes.ca.gov	HMA@caloes.ca.gov

Potential Resilience Initiatives / Activities for PrepareCA JumpStart

CAPACITY BUILDING

- Community and/or public private partnership for building mitigation
- Recruitment and hiring of a Chief Resilience Officer
- Building Inspectors/code enforcement staff training
- AmeriCorps Programs
- Community resilience education and workshops such as those related to the [NIST Community Resilience Program](#), [City Resilience Index](#), [Resilient Cities Network](#), or similar resilience-building frameworks

MITIGATION / PREPAREDNESS ACTIVITIES / RESPONSE AND RECOVERY PLANNING

- Evacuation planning
- Risk Mapping
- Strengthening building codes (e.g., obtaining a Building Codes Effectiveness Grading rating)
- Implementing a Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) program
- Community education on mitigation/preparedness (e.g., become a fire-wise community, flood preparedness week, the Great California ShakeOut)
- Establishing a data / fiscal management system to support cost recovery tracking post-disaster

PROJECT SCOPING

- Scoping for resilience-oriented programs, including FEMA Hazard Mitigation Assistance (HMA) programs and other state and/or federally funded programs such as Listos CA, seismic assessments, home hardening, early alert and warning systems, etc.

Funding Priorities for PrepareCA Match – FEMA HMGP

LOCAL HAZARD MITIGATION PLANS

- Projects that will create or update LHMPs

PARTNERSHIP BUILDING

- Projects that will build sustainable models of public-private partnerships and/or include in-kind or investment funds from private partners

PROJECTS THAT WILL ACHIEVE MORE EQUITABLE MITIGATION AND INCORPORATE LONG-LASTING BENEFITS

- Implement a nature-based solution to reduce risk
- Address climate impacts such as sea level rise, drought, extreme heat, more precipitation, and more intense/frequent storms
- Protect high-impact critical infrastructure
- Implement home hardening and/or large-scale community defensible space projects
- Establish early alert warning systems (wildfire, seismic, etc.)
- Enhance resilience by complimenting previously implemented mitigation actions (previous actions do not need to be funded through Cal OES but should be described in detail) (e.g., community-level defensible space to complement a previous home hardening project)
- Address future conditions such as climate change, demographic changes, population changes, and land use changes
- Advance whole community risk reduction, including protecting individuals with access and functional needs
- Include community engagement and buy in and address how the community has participated in the planning, design, and operations of the initiative

Funding Priorities for 2021 FEMA HMGP

LOCAL HAZARD MITIGATION PLANS

- Projects that will create or update LHMPs

LARGE PROJECTS (>\$10M)

Projects should achieve one or more of the following:

- Protect a disadvantaged community
- Implement a nature-based solution to reduce risk and/or advance climate adaptation goals
- Advance whole community risk reduction
- Protect high-impact critical infrastructure
- Implement home hardening and/or large-scale community defensible space projects
- Establish early alert warning systems
- Enhance resilience by complimenting previously implemented mitigation actions (previous actions do not need to be funded through Cal OES but should be described in detail)

SMALL PROJECTS (<\$10M)

Projects should achieve one or more of the following:

- Protect a disadvantaged community
- Implement a nature-based solution to reduce risk and/or advance climate adaptation goals
- Advance whole community risk reduction
- Protect high-impact critical infrastructure
- Implement home hardening and/or large-scale community defensible space projects
- Establish early alert warning systems
- Enhance resilience by complimenting previously implemented mitigation actions (previous actions do not need to be funded through Cal OES but should be described in detail)

ALL OTHER ELIGIBLE PROJECTS

- Other activities to reduce risk to loss of life and property from natural hazards, including planning-related, 5% initiative, and project scoping (Advance Assistance) activities