

Massachusetts Emergency Management Agency (MEMA)

Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) FY 2024 Flood Mitigation Assistance (FMA) AMENDMENT

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1. **Program Overview:** The FMA grant program makes federal funds available to states, U.S. territories, federally recognized tribal governments, and local governments to reduce or eliminate the risk of repetitive flood damage to buildings and structures insured under the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP). It does so with a recognition of the growing flood hazards associated with climate change, and of the need for flood hazard risk mitigation activities that promote climate adaptation, equity, and resilience with respect to flooding. These include both acute extreme weather events and chronic stressors which have been observed and are expected to increase in intensity and frequency in the future.

2. **Funding Availability**

Through this Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO), the Massachusetts Emergency Management Agency (MEMA) will be accepting subapplications for the following federal grant:

FY 2024 Flood Mitigation Assistance (FMA) Program

(Federal Award ID/Funding Opportunity # DHS24-MT-029-000-98);

Assistance Listings Title Number (formally Catalogue of Federal Domestic Assistance Number):

97.029 Amount of funding available: \$600,000,000 available nationwide.

➤ [Link to Federal Notice of Funding Opportunity \(NOFO\)](#)

• Activity Caps for FY 2024 FMA:

- The federal funding and activity caps for Capability and Capacity Building (C&CB) activities per subapplication are:
 - \$100,000 for Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plans under 42 U.S.C. 4104c(c)(3)(F) per Applicant (state) with maximums of:
 - \$50,000 for state multi-hazard mitigation planning
 - \$25,000 for local multi-hazard mitigation planning
- \$50,000 for Technical Assistance to states (42 U.S.C. 4104c(c)(3)(J))
- \$900,000 for Project Scoping
- \$300,000 for Additional C&CB Activities (Partnership Development, Enhancing Local Floodplain Management, SRL/RL Strategy Plan Development, and other eligible C&CB activities under 42 U.S.C. 4104c(c)(3)(G)).
- The federal funding and activity cap for Localized Flood Risk Reduction Project per subapplication is \$50,000,000

3. **Priorities**

The purpose of the FMA program is to reduce or eliminate the flood risk of repetitive flood damage to structures and buildings insured by the NFIP and to enhance community flood resilience within NFIP participating communities.

Additional State priorities include: projects that are clearly permissible and have been vetted through permitting and advisory agencies (including DEP, CZM, DER, etc.); projects with strong local commitment; projects with a well-developed/well-defined benefit-cost analysis (not applicable to non-construction subapplications); projects that are advanced further along in design & clear scope; projects that are consistent with the ResilientMass Plan: 2023 State Hazard Mitigation and Climate Adaptation Plan and local hazard mitigation plan; projects that promote utilization of nature-based approaches and

provides environmental benefits; leveraging partnerships; and community/public engagement.

4. **Subapplicant Eligibility**

Eligible subapplicants: State agencies, federally recognized Tribal organizations and local governments (including cities, townships, counties, and special district governments). For projects that benefit individual home or business owners, the local government must be the subapplicant on behalf of the individuals and businesses. For municipalities, the Subapplicant must be the “City/Town of,” not a specific municipal department. The organization must have a current UEI issued with the same name and legal address as the subapplicant.

To be eligible for project grants, subapplicants must have a current, FEMA-approved Hazard Mitigation Plan (in accordance with 44 Code of Federal Regulations, Part 201) by the application deadline and at the time of obligation of grant funds for project (award).

5. **Grant Deadlines**

SUBAPPLICATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED BY THE STATE-ESTABLISHED DEADLINES IN ORDER TO BE CONSIDERED FOR FUNDING.

Important Dates:

- FEMA FMA grant availability announcement date (Amendment): 4/30/2026
- State Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) posting date: 5/6/2026
- State Grant Briefing: 5/19/2026 – 2PM (Recording will be posted on MEMA Website)
- **Statement of Interest deadline: 5/29/2026 - REQUIRED**
- **Register for the FEMA GO application portal: 5/29/2026**
- **Submission of BCA (if applicable): 6/15/2026**
- **Subapplication final STATE deadline for FMA: 7/7/2026**
- FEMA Funding Selection Date: TBD
- Anticipated FEMA Award Date: TBD

6. **Cost Share**

FMA cost share varies depending on the activity type, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) Social Vulnerability Index (SVI) score, and individual property’s repetitive loss status. Available cost shares include: 75% federal/25% non-federal, 90%/10%, and 100%/0%

The non-federal cost share may-consist of cash (including local, state, or private cash payments such as general funds, MassWorks or Municipal Vulnerability Preparedness grants, Federal Funds & Infrastructure Office matching funds, etc. subject to review, approval, and the availability of funds), donated or third-party in-kind services, materials, or any combination thereof. In-kind or force account labor may be from staff salary and fringe. Applicants cannot apply other federal award funds toward the FMA non-federal cost share unless the other federal statutory authority allows the funds to be used to meet cost-share requirements. In general, the non- federal cost-share requirement may not be met with funds from other federal agencies or federal grant programs. The MEMA Mitigation Unit can provide clarification on exemptions.

7. **Overview of Program**

Statement of Interest (SOI)

Interested subapplicants must fill out and submit a completed Statement of Interest. The Statement of Interest will include information on the potential project and allow determination of basic

eligibility, and for BRIC/FMA to initiate access to FEMA GO's Application Portal. The SOI form is available online at:

- [Construction Projects – Statement of Interest](#)
- [C&CB/Planning/Advance Assistance – Statement of Interest](#)

Subapplication Development and Submission

Subapplicants who have SOIs that are recommended by the Mitigation Unit to continue on in the process will be asked to create and submit a full subapplication. Subapplications include Project, C&CB, Hazard Mitigation Planning or Advance Assistance, each described in more detail below. MEMA will provide technical assistance and subapplication development guidance for the recommended subapplications.

Review & Ranking

After the subapplication deadline, the Interagency Review Panel, comprised of representatives and subject matter experts from state agencies, will convene to review and then rank the sub-applications based upon FMA Project Evaluation Criteria.

Grant Award

Following the State review, ranking and submission of HMA subapplications, FEMA will review subapplications submitted by each applicant to ensure compliance with the HMA Guidance, including eligibility of the applicant and subapplicant, eligibility of proposed activities and costs, completeness of the subapplication, cost-effectiveness, engineering feasibility (mitigation projects), and eligibility and availability of the non-federal cost share. Projects identified for further review for FMA transfer from the FEMA Headquarters level to the FEMA Region 1 office in order to conduct Environmental and Historic Preservation (EHP) compliance and additional technical reviews. Upon receipt of an award for a specific grant, MEMA will notify the subapplicant and hold a kickoff meeting. All subapplicants are required to submit quarterly reports on both the performance and financial aspects of the grant to MEMA.

8. Eligible Project Types

Mitigation Projects are cost-effective projects designed to increase resilience and public safety; reduce injuries and loss of life; and reduce damage and destruction to property, critical services, facilities, and infrastructure. Projects are eligible if they result in a reduction to future natural hazard damage. FEMA's Hazard Mitigation Assistance (HMA) Programs are not intended as a source of funding for repair, replacement or deferred maintenance activities, but are designed to assist subapplicants in implementing long-term, cost-effective improvements that will reduce, minimize or eliminate risk to people and property from the effects of natural hazards. Projects that address operation, deferred or future maintenance, repairs or replacement (without an increase in the level of protection provided) of existing structures, facilities, or infrastructure (e.g., dredging, debris removal, replacement of obsolete utility systems, bridges and facility repair) are not eligible mitigation grant activities.

- Activities can include but are not limited to: stormwater drainage and culvert improvements; floodplain and stream restoration; flood control, diversion, and storage; property acquisition; slope stabilization; infrastructure protection; aquifer storage; seismic and wind retrofits; structure elevations; resilient infrastructure projects; and emergency generators for critical facilities. A complete list and details on eligible projects can be found below and in the 2025 FEMA Hazard Mitigation Assistance Program and Policy Guide.

- All mitigation project subapplications must include a FEMA Benefit-Cost Analysis (BCA), using FEMA BCA v6.0 software to document the project's cost-effectiveness. BCAs must include the appropriate acceptable back-up documentation, including damage history (or professional expected damage analyses), rainfall calculations, detour routes, etc.
- Sub-recipient management costs can be included in your project subapplication. This is financial assistance to reimburse the recipient for eligible and reasonable indirect costs, direct administrative costs, and other administrative expenses associated with a specific mitigation measure or project up to 5 percent of the total amount of the grant award.
- Pre-award costs directly related to developing the subapplication that are incurred are allowed subject to FEMA's written approval. Pre-award costs, if included, must be listed separately in the budget as a clearly defined line item, and also included in the BCA project cost. Applicants who are not awarded grants will not receive reimbursement for the corresponding pre-award costs.
- All subapplications submitted under the Capability and Capacity Building Activities - Project Scoping and Additional Capability and Capacity Building Activities, and Localized Flood Risk Reduction Project priority, must demonstrate that the proposed project benefits NFIP insured properties by submitting a map and associated geospatial file(s) (e.g., shapefile, Keyhole Markup Language (KML/KMZ), geodatabase, list of census tracts, or other geo-enabled documents) delineating: the proposed project area or footprint boundary, and for Localized Flood Risk Reduction Projects only the benefiting area in alignment with Hydrologic and Hydraulic modelling as available except for Phased Project: Phase I.
 - In order to safeguard Personally Identifiable Information (PII) associated with NFIP properties, an Information Sharing Access Agreement (ISAA) is required by FEMA to gain access to NFIP datasets needed to produce a benefiting area map. Please contact the MEMA Mitigation team for information on the ISAA. Please note that the approval process can take up to two weeks.

A sample of eligible activities is listed below:

Mitigation Projects	
	Property Acquisition
	Structure Elevation
	Mitigation Reconstruction
	Flood Risk Reduction Measures
	Stabilization
	Floodproofing
	Retrofitting
	Aquifer Recharge, Storage and Recovery
	Innovative Mitigation Projects
Capability and Capacity Building Projects	
	New Hazard Mitigation Plans
	Hazard Mitigation Plan Updates
	Planning Related Activities
	Project Scoping / Advance Assistance
	Financial Technical Assistance
	Partnerships
	Innovative Capability and Capacity Building

9. **Subapplication Elements**

- Subapplicant information
- Local Hazard Mitigation Plan information
- Scope of Work
- Project Schedule (including Go/No-Go Milestones for projects under the FMA National Competition category) – Project must identify a series of milestones throughout the work schedule that FEMA will review and approve. Maximum of 36 months is allowed. The applicant may submit a request for a longer POP in the subapplication for FEMA to review and approve. A longer POP must be requested, documented, reasonable, and justified.
- Detailed Budget
- Budget Narrative
- Source of local cost share
- Benefit-cost analysis (BCA) - Generated in v6.0 (construction projects only)
- ResilientMass: Climate Resilience Design Standards Tool completed for the proposed project or activity [MA Climate Change Clearinghouse \(resilientma.org\)](http://resilientma.org)
- Environmental & Historic Preservation Considerations – Detailed information must be provided describing the potential impacts to environmental resources or historic properties and any consultations or permitting that has already occurred.
- Benefitting Area Map
- FEMA Assurances
- MEMA Assurances Document
- FEMA Qualitative Criteria Document
- Additional documentation may be required depending on the specific project type. Please refer to

the FEMA NOFO for more information.

10. Sub-Grant Submission

Recommended subapplications for FMA will submit complete subapplications in FEMA GO for potential award and funding. MEMA will support subapplication development as needed. **Full subapplications for mitigation projects are required to be submitted via FEMA GO by 7/7/2026, at 11:59PM EST (State deadline).**

FEMA GO: (<https://go.fema.gov>) is the application portal for this grant. In order to register for FEMA GO, applicants must first be registered in www.sam.gov. The registration process in www.sam.gov and FEMA GO can take up to sixteen business days. **Please be sure to register by 5/29/2026**, to avoid any delays. Once registered in FEMAGO, MEMA will be responsible for authorizing access to your organization in order to complete the FMA subapplication in the system.

11. Period of Performance

The Period of Performance (POP) is the period of time during which recipients of grant funds may incur costs related to the approved scope of work. The Period of Performance starts with the acceptance of the award and ends no later than 36 months; subapplicants may submit a request for a longer POP in the subapplication for FEMA to review and approve. Requests for extensions to an award POP will be evaluated but will not be automatically approved. All extension requests must be submitted at least 60 days prior to the expiration of the award POP and justifications must be submitted in writing.

12. Briefing

To assist potential subapplicants who are considering applying for HMA funding, MEMA will conduct a program briefing on **5/19/2026 at 2:00PM**. [Please visit the MEMA Mitigation Website for more information](#). Interested subapplicants are strongly encouraged to attend this briefing (or view the recording) as requirements regarding the grant programs will be described and discussed in detail.

13. Project Evaluation Criteria

A state interagency review panel will evaluate all eligible and complete proposals on a competitive basis. The review panel reserves the right to request additional, clarifying information from the subapplicant during the evaluation period, and to reject any or all proposals that do not meet the goals and terms of this NOFO.

In addition to the ranking criteria listed in the [FEMA Notice of Funding Opportunity](#), Massachusetts projects will be reviewed and ranked against the state level criteria listed in **Appendix A**.

14. Requirements and Conditions for Federal Award

- All FEMA HMA grant project subapplications require a local FEMA-approved ‘Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan’ at the time of the application and at the time of obligation of grant funds (award).
- A Statement of Interest (SOI) is required to allow the State to review and prioritize projects and provide subapplication development technical assistance.
- Projects must be able to be permitted under Federal, State & local permit procedures including, 44 CFR Parts 9 & 10 (Floodplain Management & Wetland Protection).
- Structures and Facilities located within the Federal Flood Risk Management Standard (FFRMS) floodplain must be protected up to the FFRMS flood elevation. Structures must be protected through elevation (non-residential structures may be protected through elevation or dry floodproofing) and facilities through a means appropriate for the project. The FFRMS also requires consideration of nature-based solutions as

project alternatives for all actions that may affect a floodplain or wetland and are subject to an alternatives analysis. When scoping and designing projects, subapplicants must consider nature-based solutions and use them where possible.

- Mitigation projects must, at a minimum, be in conformance with the latest published editions (meaning either of the two most recently published editions) of relevant consensus-based codes, specifications, and standards that incorporate the latest hazard-resistant designs.
- Mitigation projects must be technically feasible and effective in increasing the level of protection.
- All spending must comply with the federal procurement standards described in [2 CFR 200.317 through 2 CFR 200.327](#). If your project is awarded, you must expend funds (even pre-award costs) under your official, documented procurement procedures, and ensure you comply with applicable federal, state, and local laws & regulations. Federal procurement standards must also be followed for [using contract support](#) for the development of HMA grant subapplications. Please note that federal rules may differ from state rules.
- Section 70914 of the Build America, Buy America Act (BABAA), Pub. L. No. 117-58, §§ 70901- 52, requires all federal agencies, including FEMA, to ensure that no federal financial assistance for “infrastructure” projects is provided “unless all of the iron, steel, manufactured products, and construction materials used in the project are produced in the United States.” On April 18, 2022, the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) issued OMB Memorandum M-22-11, Initial Implementation Guidance on Application of Buy America Preference in Federal Financial Assistance Programs for Infrastructure (OMB Memo M-22-11). This memo provides implementation guidance for federal agencies on the application of a domestic preference to federal financial assistance programs for infrastructure and a transparent process to waive such preference, when necessary.
- Subapplicants must demonstrate that mitigation projects are cost effective. This is demonstrated utilizing the FEMA approved BCA software (v6.0).
- Mitigation projects must solve a problem independently or constitute a functional portion of a long-term solution for which there is assurance that the project as a whole will be completed, or there is a reasonable plan and available funding for completion.
- Please see **FEMA Notice of Funding Opportunity** for any additional subapplicant eligibility requirements.

15. Contact Information

For general inquiries regarding the programs, please contact MEMA at: mitigation@mass.gov

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For more information visit the 'Hazard Mitigation Assistance Grant Programs' section of the MEMA website at www.mass.gov/hazard-mitigation-assistance-hma-grant-programs.

APPENDIX A

Mitigation Project Review Criteria	Max Points
<p><i>Project Scope, Budget, and Timeline.</i> The project adequately mitigates current hazards by providing a well-defined scope of work and level of protection above what currently exists. The project budget/cost estimate is detailed. The subapplication demonstrates through a clear and realistic work schedule the capability of the applicant to implement and complete the project in a timely manner.</p>	(Up to 20 points)
<p><i>Project Feasibility, Support and Consistency with Planning.</i> The subapplication includes a description of the project team’s technical, financial, and management capacity. Letters of support are included from landowners, public and or community partners. Letters of support from diverse groups (e.g., community-based organizations, local businesses, nonprofits, neighborhood groups, etc.) are viewed most favorably. The applicant is covered by a FEMA-approved Hazard Mitigation Plan and clearly ties the proposed project to the plan.</p>	(Up to 8 points)
<p><i>Critical Infrastructure.</i> If the project is not implemented there will likely be a detrimental impact, loss of essential services, damage to critical facilities, infrastructure, and/or economic hardship. To receive the point allotment for this criterion, the subapplication must explain how the project mitigates natural hazard risk to critical physical structures, facilities, and systems that provide support to a community, its population, and its economy. This includes natural systems.</p>	(Up to 8 points)
<p><i>Risk Reduction / Resilience Effectiveness.</i> The project will reduce risk and improve resilience (or ability of the system to withstand current and future hazards and disturbances) at, adjacent to, and beyond the project site through key resilience factors. The project SOW answers the following questions: How will the proposed project reduce risk and to what level? How will the proposed project improve resilience?</p>	(Up to 8 points)
<p><i>Future Conditions.</i> The subapplication describes how the project will enhance resilience, details how the project is being responsive to the effects of future conditions (population/demographic/land use, etc.), and cites data sources, assumptions, and models in alignment with the MA Climate Assessment. Evaluation: What anticipated future conditions are relevant for the project? How is the project responsive to any identified anticipated changes? Does the project integrate the consideration of future conditions into design, planning, and operations workflows? How was the project informed by, or connected to, plans and planning efforts and their assessment of future conditions? What data sources and assumptions are used to guide the project?</p>	(Up to 10 points)
<p><i>Nature-Based Solutions and Environmental Co-Benefits.</i> Up to 10 points for the degree to which nature-based solutions (i.e., solutions that protect, restore, or manage ecological systems) and environmental co-benefits are incorporated into the overall vision of this project and how the selected strategy/ies will help the community adapt to existing and projected impacts of future conditions. If the project is not nature-based, describe a clear assessment of design alternatives and discussion of why a nature-based solution was not chosen.</p>	(Up to 10 points)

<p><i>Regulatory Components.</i> The project subapplication includes a detailed plan for obtaining all required permits. Coordination with applicable regulatory agencies is underway, or plan to engage with those agencies is documented. Confident the applicant has a clear understanding of the applicable regulatory requirements and that they will be able to meet the requirements.</p>	(Up to 6 points)
<p><i>Population Impacted.</i> The project subapplication demonstrates community-wide benefits and identifies the proportion of the population that will be impacted. The subapplication also describes how the project was selected and designed to maximize positive impacts and minimize negative impacts to any disadvantaged populations. SOW: What does “community-wide” mean in the context of the proposed project? What quantity (e.g., percent) of the population will directly benefit from the project? Who are the groups that will benefit from the project? Does the applicant provide clear examples of how the project will increase resiliency? What community co-benefits will the project provide (e.g., social, economic, public health, recreational, public access, equity, etc.)?</p>	(Up to 12 points)
<p><i>Leveraging Partners.</i> The project subapplication incorporates partnerships (e.g., state, tribal, private, local community, etc.) that will ensure the project meets community needs and shows the outcome of those partnerships (e.g., leveraging resources such as financial, material, and educational resources, coordinating multi-jurisdictional projects, heightened focus on equity related issues, etc.) Evaluation: What partners will contribute to the implementation of the project? To what extent were non-governmental organizations, universities, private organizations, or other government entities consulted for advice or assistance? To what extent have partners provided funding that increases the non-federal cost share? How have partnerships been used to increase community resiliency?</p>	(Up to 8 Points)
<p><i>Community Engagement.</i> The subapplication describes outreach strategy and supporting activities appropriate to the project and the community that advance mitigation. The subapplication also outlines the types of community planning processes leveraged and describes how input from a diverse range of stakeholders, including overburdened and underserved communities, was gathered and incorporated into project conception and design. Furthermore, the subapplication outlines how such community planning and stakeholder input will continue to be used to help direct project execution.</p>	(Up to 10 Points)

The proposals for Capability and Capacity-Building (C&CB) activities will be reviewed with the following criteria:

Capability and Capacity Building (C&CB) Review Criteria	Max Points
<i>Tangible Outcomes.</i> The project has a well-defined and clear scope of work which will result in a resource, strategy, or tangible mitigation project to be pursued in the future. The subapplication demonstrates through a clear and realistic work schedule the capability of the applicant to implement and complete the project in a timely manner.	(Up to 20 points)
<i>Project Feasibility, Support and Consistency with Planning.</i> The subapplication includes a description of the project team’s technical, financial, and management capacity. Letters of support are included from landowners, public and or community partners. Letters of support from diverse groups (e.g., community-based organizations, local businesses, nonprofits, neighborhood groups, etc.) are viewed most favorably. The applicant is covered by a FEMA-approved Hazard Mitigation Plan and clearly ties the proposed project to the plan.	(Up to 10 points)
<i>Focuses on Critical Infrastructure.</i> If the project is not implemented there will likely be a detrimental impact, loss of essential services, damage to critical facilities, infrastructure, and/or economic hardship. To receive the point allotment for this criterion, the subapplication must explain how the project mitigates natural hazard risk to critical physical structures, facilities, and systems that provide support to a community, its population, and its economy. This includes natural systems.	(Up to 10 points)
<i>Building Institutional Capacity.</i> The subapplication must detail how implementation of this project builds upon existing resiliency policies, projects, or programs, and expands local capacity or capabilities for risk reduction. Examples include funding an activity that is listed in your current approved HMP or MVP report. How will this project serve as a demonstration project that is transferable to other communities?	(Up to 10 points)
<i>Future Conditions.</i> The subapplication describes how the project will enhance resilience, details how the project is being responsive to the effects of future conditions (population/demographic/land use, etc.), and cites data sources, assumptions, and models in alignment with the MA Climate Assessment. Evaluation: What anticipated future conditions are relevant for the project? How is the project responsive to any identified anticipated changes? Does the project integrate the consideration of future conditions into design, planning, and operations workflows? How was the project informed by, or connected to, plans and planning efforts and their assessment of future conditions? What data sources and assumptions are used to guide the project?	(Up to 10 points)
<i>Nature-Based Solutions and Environmental Co-Benefits.</i> Up to 10 points for the degree to which nature-based solutions (i.e., solutions that protect, restore, or manage ecological systems) and environmental co-benefits are incorporated into the overall vision of this project and how the selected strategy/ies will help the community adapt to existing and projected impacts of climate change. If the project is not nature-based, describe a clear assessment of design alternatives and discussion of why a nature-based solution was not chosen. Projects may still receive a maximum of 5 points for a response that demonstrates why an alternative approach was deemed necessary over nature-based approaches and illustrates how environmental conditions will improve with grey infrastructure implementation).	(Up to 10 points)

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<p><i>Leveraging Partners.</i> The project subapplication incorporates partnerships (e.g., state, tribal, private, local community, etc.) that will ensure the project meets community needs, including those of overburdened or underserved populations, populations, and show the outcome of those partnerships (e.g., leveraging resources such as financial, material, and educational resources, coordinating multi-jurisdictional projects, heightened focus on equity related issues, etc.) Evaluation: What partners will contribute to the implementation of the project? To what extent were non-governmental organizations, universities, private organizations, or other government entities consulted for advice or assistance? To what extent have partners provided funding that increases the non-federal cost share? How have partnerships been used to increase community resiliency?</p>	(Up to 10 Points)
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