

QUESTION ASKED	ANSWER PROVIDED
Are state universities eligible PA	Yes, State Universities are eligible applicants under FEMA Public Assistance.
Will any reimbursement...go to the applying state university or the general fund of the state	In general, all reimbursements will go to the General Fund. A State University that would like to receive reimbursement directly would have to reach out to their A&F representative to make that request.
we were informed by Dawn from MEMA that FEMA approved today an expansion to the non-congregate shelter populations to also include the following groups: "Individuals who are asymptomatic, but are at high-risk, such as people over 65 or who have certain underlying health conditions (respiratory, compromised immune systems, chronic disease), and who require quarantine as a social distancing measure and cannot do so safely in their current living situation without causing undue risk to themselves or others."	Correct
Is there any consideration for increasing the threshold above \$131,100 for small projects due to the volume of projects that are expected?	MEMA and FEMA staff will notify applicants if there is an adjustment to the large project threshold of \$131,100.
Will Telehealth implementation costs be an eligible cost?	We require some additional information concerning the nature of the proposed project to answer this question. We recommend engaging with a MEMA representative to begin this discussion.
If PPE equipment that was ordered in March has an expected delivery date of July, would this be reimbursable? Or does it depend on whether the item is received while there is still an emergency declaration?	Generally, FEMA reimburses for the supplies/equipment used in the performance of eligible emergency protective measures. However, the applicant should track their costs and develop a narrative as to the necessity of purchasing supplies and document any delivery delays due to high demand.
How long do we expect it will take FEMA to approve the RPA? I submitted early April and have not heard back	The RPA approval process is actively ongoing. Applicants should hear back in the near future, and will additionally receive a system generated notification from the Grants Portal when an eligibility decision has been determined. You can reach out to a MEMA representative for additional information.
Would it be possible to have you email a copy of this PowerPoint presentation to attendees? Thank you,	The presentation will be available for download on MEMA's website after the conclusion of all Applicant Briefings.
How can we get a copy of this Power point Presentation?	MEMA will post the slide deck on our website after the conclusion of applicant briefings this week.
With regard to State Agencies - cleaning /disinfecting facilities- you referred to the need for a Commercial Ins. Policy & You also said State Agencies can submit their "self -insured" memo. DCR has had costs for cleaning facilities. These costs > \$5,000,. Do you think these costs will be eligible?	Hi Norma, keep track of your expenses, write a memo on what was cleaned and why. It will be reviewed.
Hi- one more question- When should we hear from FEMA about our RPA?	The RPA approval process is actively ongoing. Applicants will receive a system generated notification from the Grants Portal when an eligibility decision has been made regarding their RPA. You can reach out to a MEMA representative for additional information.
RPA has already been submitted. Do we need to also fill out the streamlined application? Just want to be sure.	Yes, the streamlined project application form will be submitted in addition to the RPA. The online functionality for the streamlined application form will be available in the near future.
If approved expenses are ongoing, can a public housing authority submit more than one request for the same expense?	Yes, if you have an eligible emergency protective measure that is ongoing then you could submit for reimbursement for the costs incurred so far to date and then request reimbursement for costs incurred in the future at a later date. FEMA can additionally estimate future costs that you expect to incur.

will this webinar be recorded and available after the presentation?	Yes, this presentation is being recorded. We will post all applicant briefing webinars on our website next week.
Being an agency of the Commonwealth, who do we apply with, MEMA or FEMA? Or both?	MEMA is the pass-through entity for the FEMA Public Assistance program. Your application and projects within the Grants Portal is reviewed and approved by both MEMA and FEMA.
How do we know/find out if our new construction project due to COVID 19 would qualify for the small project threshold?	We require some additional information concerning the nature of the proposed project to answer this question. We recommend engaging with a MEMA representative to begin this discussion.
Will there also be a record of audience questions or FAQs available?	The written Questions and Responses will be uploaded to MEMA's website. Any questions that we are not able to answer during the webinar will receive a response after the webinar.
Are costs a university incurred for remote education reimbursible as part of emergency protective measures?	Remote education costs are not currently identified as an eligible emergency protective measure. Generally to be eligible as a CAT B Emergency Protective Measure, work needs to be protecting against or addressing an immediate threat to public health and safety. However, I would encourage you to track these costs that you are incurring as we are receiving new guidance routinely.
Due to Covid-19 concerns, are the costs to move students out of a state university eligible?	Possibly, Eligible emergency protective measures taken to respond to COVID-19 at the direction or guidance of public health officials may be reimbursed under Category B of the Public Assistance Program under either an emergency or major disaster declaration. This includes, among other things, evacuations and the movement of persons. For example, if the state government used force account employees and equipment to evacuate the students out of a dormitory to a public transportation mode for the students to travel home at their own expense, the state government could be eligible for financial assistance.
Is non-congregate sheltering for state prisoners included under MEMA's current state-wide approval? These population groups are technically homeless and need to be seperated. Should MEMA request an amendment to the current NCS approval to include this group?	This question requires follow-up. MEMA will coordinate with FEMA on a response to this question directly.