

Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO)



Applicant Eligibility Period Start Date: 01/06/2025 Application Submission to RIEMA Deadline: 03/17/2025 Application Submission to FEMA Deadline: 04/18/2025

2024 Building Resilient Infrastructure & Communities (BRIC)

FEMA has published a Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) for the BRIC grant program. The Fiscal Year 2024 (FY 24) BRIC NOFO can be accessed at <u>FY 2024 BRIC NOFO</u>. RIEMA encourages reviewing the BRIC NOFO before applying, as it provides detailed program information and other grant application and administration requirements.

Funding Amount

Available Funding for the NOFO: \$ 750,000,000

- State Allocation Subtotal: \$ 2,000,000
- State Building Code Plus-Up Subtotal: \$ 2,000,000
- National Competition Subtotal: \$ 451,000,000 (projects capped at \$50 million)

Cost Share

The cost share for the BRIC program is 75% federal and 25% non-federal. (see NOFO to see if you qualify for 90% federal cost share)

Eligible Projects

<u>Capability and Capacity Building activities</u> – activities that enhance the knowledge, skills, and expertise of the current workforce to expand or improve the administration of hazard mitigation assistance. This includes activities in the following sub-categories: building codes, partnerships, project scoping, hazard mitigation planning and planning-related activities, and other activities.

<u>Hazard Mitigation Projects</u> – 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 (including natural systems) from a multitude of natural hazards, including drought, wildfire, earthquakes, extreme heat, and the effects of climate change.

<u>Management Costs</u> – financial assistance to reimburse the recipient and subrecipient for eligible and reasonable indirect costs, direct administrative costs, and other administrative costs.

2024 Flood Mitigation Assistance (FMA)

FEMA has published a Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) for the FMA grant program. The Fiscal Year 2024 (FY 24) FMA NOFO can be accessed at <u>FY2024 FMA NOFO</u>. RIEMA encourages reviewing the FMA NOFO before applying, as it provides detailed program information and other grant application and administration requirements.

Funding Amount

Available Funding for the NOFO: \$600,000,000

- Capability and Capacity Building Activities subtotal: \$60,000,000
- Localized Flood Risk Reduction Projects subtotal: \$420,000,000
- Individual Flood Mitigation Projects subtotal: \$120,000,000

Cost Share

<u>Capability and Capacity Building Activities</u> federal cost share options & <u>Localized Flood Risk Reduction Projects</u> federal cost share options:

- Up to 90% federal cost share funding if the Social Vulnerability Index (SVI) score is not less than 0.5001.
- Up to 75% federal cost share funding if a higher federal cost share is not available.

<u>Individual Flood Mitigation Projects</u> federal cost share options:

- Up to 100% federal cost share funding for FMA-defined Severe Repetitive Loss or (B)(ii) or
- Up to 90% federal cost share funding for FMA-defined Repetitive Loss (RL) properties
- Up to 90% federal cost share funding for each NFIP-insured property within a census tract with a CDC SVI score not less than 0.5001, and the activity must be funded by the BIL.
- Up to 75% federal cost share funding if a higher federal cost share is not available.

Eligible Projects

- Capability and Capacity Building Activities
- Localized Flood Risk Reduction Projects
- Individual Flood Mitigation Projects

The <u>HMA Mitigation Action Portfolio</u> includes examples of innovative hazard mitigation projects that address many types of natural hazards and emphasize the importance of collaboration between governments, private-sector entities, and non-governmental organizations to achieve effective hazard mitigation and disaster resilience.

For questions on these grants as well as eligibility questions, please reach out to Rae-Anne Culp, State Hazard Mitigation Officer at raeanne.culp@ema.ri.gov. Eligible applicants must apply for funding using the FEMA Grants Outcomes (FEMA GO) management system.