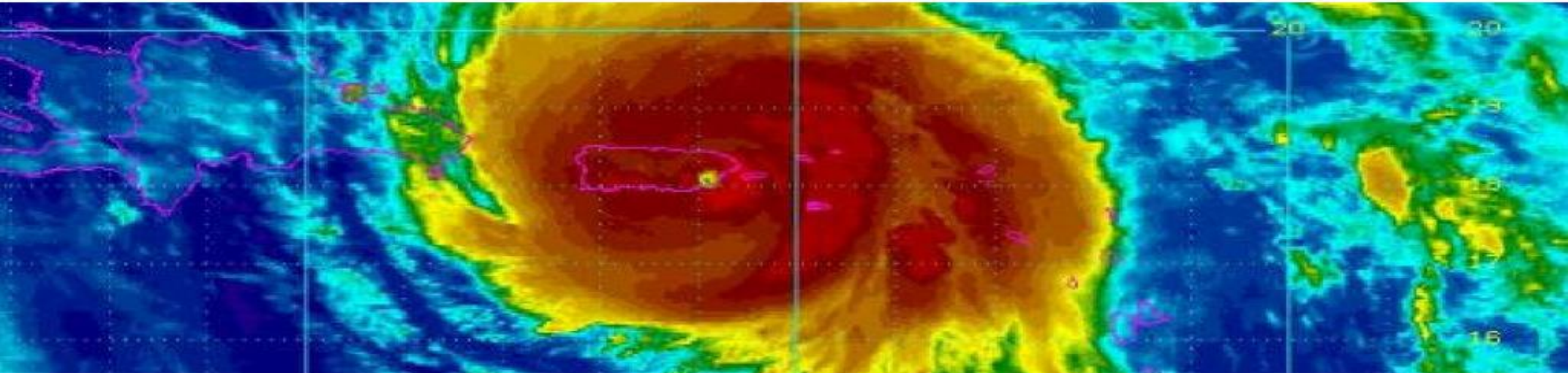


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CAPACITY BUILDING PROGRAM



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IDENTIFICATION OF APPROPRIATE FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

- Terminology specific to Federal funding defined
- Where do I find funding opportunities?
- Which one is right for my organization?
 - Mission Fit
 - Funding Opportunity Fit
 - Evaluating a Funding Opportunity

Grant Readiness

1. Have you applied for and/or received IRS 501(c)(3) status?
2. What awareness does your community have about your organization's mission, purpose, and contribution to the community? Do you have a defined ***Mission*** and ***Vision***?
 - If not, specify:
 - What you do
 - Who you do it for
 - How you do it
 - Why it is important

Funding Terminology

- What is a **Grant**?
 - “A sum of money given by an organization, especially a government, for a particular purpose.”
 - As per grants.gov: When the US Fed Gov transfers funds to a non-federal entity to carry out a public purpose
 - Could be research, education, public programs, training, etc.
- What is a **Contract**?
 - When the Fed Gov acquires goods or *services* from a non-federal entity
- What is a **Cooperative Agreement**?
 - Very similar to a Grant agreement, however the Fed Gov will have more collaborative authority in how the project is carried out.

Grants Vs Contracts

- **Grants**

- Scope of Work defined by recipient
- Advances public purpose
- Results are released to the public

- **Contracts**

- Scope of Work defined by fed agency
- Directly benefits the fed agency in fulfilling its public duties
- Results are delivered to the fed agency

Funding Opportunities: A Face With Many Names

- Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFA)
- Program Announcement (PA)
- Request For Proposals (RFP)
- Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA)
- Broad Agency Announcement (BAA)

CFDA Basics

- Funding from the US Federal Government is called “*Federal Assistance*”
- When the funding is to a US-based entity, it is termed “*Domestic*” (vs. “*Foreign*”)
- Once a funding opportunity is approved, it is assigned an identification number and becomes part of a catalog of opportunities published by the federal government
- CFDA: Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance
- CFDA is a 5 digit number assigned in the awarding document to most Grants and Cooperative Agreements funded by the Federal government

CFDA continued

- The CFDA is now called “Assistance Listings” and can be found at beta.SAM.gov
- The Assistance Listings help users find general information about the assistance, identify program objectives, eligibility requirements
- Caveat: It contains retired opportunities, so the listing may not be currently active
- More detailed information, as well as currently active listings can be found on Grants.gov (more on that later...)
- Why CFDA vs. Grants.gov? It was a predecessor to [grants.gov](https://Grants.gov) for funding searches until 2002, when [grants.gov](https://Grants.gov) was released

Learning Center / Assistance Listings

Learning Center

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Award Data

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Contract Opportunities

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Federal Hierarchy

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Policies

What you think matters!

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Assistance Listings

This site is the official source

The federal government provides assistance to the American public in the form of projects, services, and activities. It supports a broad range of programs—such as education, health care, research, infrastructure, economic development and other programs—through grants, loans, scholarships, insurance, and other types of financial assistance.

SAM provides detailed, public descriptions of federal assistance listings available to State and local governments (including the District of Columbia); federally recognized Indian tribal governments, Territories (and possessions) of the United States; domestic public, quasi- public, and private profit and nonprofit organizations and institutions; specialized groups, and individuals.

As an entity looking for federal assistance, you can conduct your preliminary planning using SAM. Browse assistance listings across all government agencies to form a “big picture” of your funding options.

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Cooperative Extension Service

GENERAL: [As reflected in Part I,B. of the Request for Applications (RFA) or Capacity Requests for Applications (Capacity RFA)] 1. Smith-Lever (3b) &...

Department/Ind. Agency
AGRICULTURE, DEPARTMENT OF

Assistance Listing

CFDA Number
10.500

Funded
Yes

Last Date Modified
Sep 6, 2018

Type Of Assistance
B - Project Grants

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CNCS Disaster Response Cooperative Agreement

The Corporation for National and Community Services (CNCS) Disaster Response Cooperative Agreement (DRCA) is an initiative through which national serv...

Assistance Listing

CFDA Number
94.020

Funded
Yes

CNCS Disaster Response Cooperative Agreement

Assistance Listing

Popular Name
CNCS AmeriCorps Disaster Response Team

Office
Corporation for National and Community Service

CFDA Number
94.020

Related Federal Assistance
Not Applicable.

[View available opportunities on Grants.gov related to this Assistance Listing](#)

Overview

Objectives

The Corporation for National and Community Services (CNCS) Disaster Response initiative through which national service programs provide support to communities reimbursed for expenses in times of disasters. Programs that hold a DRCA are part of the Disaster Response Team (A-DRT) Program, a national service disaster focused program. A Disaster Response Cooperative Agreement will be eligible for deployment and reimbursement.

Examples of Funded Projects

Not Applicable

Authorizations

National and Community Service Act of 1990, as amended., Public Law 101-610
Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act (Stafford Act), Public Law 100-707, 42 US Code 5121-5208

Financial Information

These funding amounts do not reflect the award amounts that are displayed on USASpending.gov

Obligation(s)	FY 17	FY 18 (est.)	FY 19 (est.)
■ Direct Payments for Specified Use (Cooperative Agreements) Total	Actual Not Available	Estimate Not Available	Estimate Not Available
Totals	Actual Not Available	Estimate Not Available	Estimate Not Available

Criteria for Applying

Types of Assistance

C - Direct Payments for Specified Use (Cooperative Agreements), B - Cooperative Agreements

Credentials and Documentation

Various records and forms required for first time applicants and a copy of the applicant's last audit may be required. Applicants will need proof of liability coverage. First time applicants must certify financial system. 2 CFR 200, Subpart E - Cost Principles applies to this program.

Applicant Eligibility

Designations

State (includes institutions of higher education and hospitals), Local (includes State-... institutions of higher education and hospitals, Public nonprofit... (includes institutions of higher education and hospitals), Other public.../organization, Federally Recognized Indian Tribal Governments, U.S. Territories and possessions, U.S. Territories and possessions (includes institutions of higher education and hospitals), Private nonprofit institution/organization (includes institutions of higher education and hospitals), State

See application instructions.

Beneficiary Eligibility

EXAMPLE OF INFORMATION FOUND IN AN ASSISTANCE LISTING

Grant Readiness

- Describe your community's most pressing problems.
- Do you have a better idea for addressing some of your community's most pressing challenges?

Where do grant funds come from?

Grant Making Agencies

- **Public**: Federal Government (U.S.—Congressionally mandated and budget driven)
- **Public**: State Government
- **Private**: Foundations, Professional or Trade Associations, Local Orgs.
- **Private**: Corporate Donations or Grants
- *Most grants come from the **Federal or State Government**:*
 - There are 26 Federal Grant Making Agencies
 - For Disaster Assistance: EDA, HUD, FEMA, etc.
 - Most involve a Competitive Process

Agencies that publish their grant opportunities on Grants.Gov

- U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID)
- Corporation for National and Community Service (CNCS)
- U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA)
- U.S. Department of Commerce (DOC)
- U.S. Department of Defense (DOD)
- U.S. Department of Education (ED)
- U.S. Department of Energy (DOE)
- U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS)
- U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS)
- U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD)
- U.S. Department of the Interior (DOI)
- U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ)
- U.S. Department of Labor (DOL)
- U.S. Department of State (DOS)
- U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT)
- U.S. Department of the Treasury (TREAS)
- U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA)
- Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)
- Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS)
- National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA)
- National Archives and Records Administration (NARA)
- National Endowment for the Arts (NEA)
- National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH)
- National Science Foundation (NSF)
- Small Business Administration (SBA)
- Social Security Administration (SSA)

Non-Federal Sponsorship: Corporate

- Walmart
- Wells Fargo
- General Electric
- Banco Popular
- Santander
- Home Depot
- Pharmaceutical Companies (ex: Pfizer, Abbott)
- Honeywell, Lufthansa, Hewlett Packard

Non-Federal Giving: Foundations

- Foundation Center (foundationcenter.org)
- Flamboyant Foundation: <http://flamboyantfoundation.org/>
 - *Used to have a published list of foundations in Puerto Rico—not available on-line, but could be contacted for further information*

Federal Assistance

- **DISCRETIONARY:** Entity seeking funding applies by submitting a grant proposal to the Federal Agency, responding to a nationally competitive call for proposals, called a “Notice of Funding Availability,” or NOFA
- **FORMULA:** Funds are distributed to a State or Local Public Agency branch of the Federal Agency, who publishes the competitive opportunity locally. Applicant applies through local agency. Example: State Housing Authority, Health Department, or Department of Education.

Formula Funds and “Block Grants”

- Formula Grants: Non-competitive awards to state, local or territory governments based on a formula (generally demographics, different for each program)
- Block Grants: Federal assistance to state or territory governments for broad community or social service goals, to be used at the discretion of the local government
- Examples:
 - HUD Community Development Block Grants (CDBG-DR)
 - COR3 (FEMA funds through local government)

Where Do I Look for Federal Funding Opportunities?

Funding Opportunity Databases

- Grants.gov: A searchable database of all available Federal grant programs, as well as some state funding
 - RSS Feeds available
 - Can Register to receive notifications
 - Mobile App available
 - blog.grants.gov excellent resource for answering questions related to basic grant terms and processes





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- GRANTORS
- SYSTEM-TO-SYSTEM
- FORMS
- CONNECT
- SUPPORT

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BASIC SEARCH CRITERIA:

Keyword(s):

Opportunity Number:

CFDA:

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Opportunity Number	Opportunity Title	Agency	Opportunity Status	Posted Date ↓	Close Date
18-598	Big Data Regional Innovation Hubs	NSF	Posted	09/20/2018	12/18/2018
18-597	Long Term Research in Environmental Biology	NSF	Posted	09/20/2018	
F18AS00352	Fish and Wildlife Coordination Assistance Programs	DOI-FWS	Posted	09/20/2018	09/28/2018
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HHS-2019-ACF-OHS-CH-R01-1415	Research Centers in Minority Institutions (RCMI) (U54)-Clinical Trials Optional	HHS-NIH11	Posted	09/20/2018	11/21/2018
HHS-2019-ACF-OHS-CH-R01-1415	Strengthen Cameroon's National Tuberculosis Control Program (NTCP) to Decrease the TB/HIV Burden and Develop Systems to Achieve and Sustain TB/HIV Epidemic Control in Cameroon under the President's Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief (PEPFAR)	HHS-CDC-CGH	Posted	09/19/2018	11/18/2018
W81XWH-18-PHTBIRP-R2OE-TRA	DoD Psychological Health and Traumatic Brain Injury Resilience and Readiness Optimization/Enhancement Translational Research Award	DOD-AMRAA	Posted	09/19/2018	11/16/2018
P18AS00713	Testing of NRHP Eligible Sites in Black Canyon of the Gunnison National Park	DOI-NPS	Posted	09/19/2018	
HHS-2019-ACF-OHS-CH-R01-1410	Head Start and/or Early Head Start Grantee -- The Cities of Cambridge and Somerville, Massachusetts	HHS-ACF-OHS	Posted	09/19/2018	11/19/2018
HHS-2019-ACF-OHS-CH-R01-1412	Head Start and/or Early Head Start Grantee -- The City of Bridgeport, the towns of Stratford, Fairfield, Easton, Trumbull, and Monroe within Fairfield County, Connecticut	HHS-ACF-OHS	Posted	09/19/2018	11/19/2018
HHS-2019-ACF-OHS-CH-R03-1395	Head Start and/or Early Head Start Grantee -- The Town of Smyrna, Kent and Sussex Counties, Delaware	HHS-ACF-OHS	Posted	09/19/2018	11/19/2018
HHS-2019-ACF-OHS-CH-R01-1409	Head Start and/or Early Head Start Grantee - The City of Woonsocket, Rhode Island	HHS-ACF-OHS	Posted	09/19/2018	11/19/2018

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OPPORTUNITY STATUS:

- Forecasted (211)
- Posted (2,280)
- Closed (2,776)
- Archived (46,062)

FUNDING INSTRUMENT TYPE:

- All Funding Instruments
- Cooperative Agreement (733)
- Grant (1,836)
- Other (70)
- Procurement

- County governments (1,327)
- County governments (1,333)
- For profit organizations other than small businesses (1,310)
- Independent school districts (4,000)

CATEGORY:

- All Categories
- Agriculture (21)
- Arts (see 'Cultural Affairs' in CFDA) (18)

KEYWORD SEARCH: "DISASTER"

BASIC SEARCH CRITERIA:

Keyword(s):

Opportunity Number:

CFDA:

SEARCH

OPPORTUNITY STATUS:

Forecasted (1)

Posted (78)

Closed (285)

Archived (3,647)

FUNDING INSTRUMENT TYPE:

All Funding Instruments

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Opportunity Number	Opportunity Title	Agency	Opportunity Status	Posted Date	Close Date
EDA-2018-DISASTER	FY 2018 EDA Disaster Supplemental	DOC-EDA	Posted	04/10/2018	
PD-19-1638	Humans, Disasters, and the Built Environment	NSF	Posted	06/12/2018	
ETA-TEGL-4-18	Disaster Recovery National Dislocated Worker Grants to Address the Opioid Crisis	DOL-ETA	Posted	09/14/2018	09/30/2019
CDC-RFA-TP16-1601	Operation Dragon Fire: A means to blend new data sources with traditional data sources to Improve the Ability to Prepare and Respond to All-Hazards	HHS-CDC-OPHPR	Forecasted	07/02/2015	
VPL-02-19	Announcement of Stand Down Grants	DOL-ETA	Posted	01/02/2019	12/31/2020

NARROW BY ELIGIBILITY: CITY, COUNTY, AND NON-PROFITS

BASIC SEARCH CRITERIA:

Keyword(s):

Opportunity Number:

CFDA:

OPPORTUNITY STATUS:

- Forecasted (1)
- Posted (17)
- Closed (72)
- Archived (768)

FUNDING INSTRUMENT TYPE:

- All Funding Instruments
 - Cooperative Agreement (12)
 - Grant (7)

ELIGIBILITY:

- All Eligibilities
- City or township governments (12)
- County governments (12)
- For profit organizations other than small businesses (3)
- Independent school districts (0)

CATEGORY:

- All Categories
 - Business and Commerce (1)
 - Consumer Protection (1)

• ELIGIBILITY: Nonprofits having a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education, City or township governments, County governments

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HM0476-18-BAA-0001	National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency Academic Research Program (NARP)	DOD-NGIA	Posted	03/27/2018	12/31/2021
RFA-ES-16-005	Mechanism for Time-Sensitive Opportunity in Environmental Health Sciences (R21)	HHS-NIH11	Posted	05/03/2016	06/01/2019
PAR-18-896	NLM Research Grants in Biomedical Informatics and Data Science (R01 Clinical Trial Optional)	HHS-NIH11	Posted	08/08/2018	09/07/2021
EDAP2018	FY 2018 Economic Development Assistance Programs. Application submission and program requirements for EDA's Public Works and Economic Adjustment Assistance programs	DOC-EDA	Posted	07/02/2018	
EDA-CHI-TA-CRO-2018-2005548	EDA Chicago FY 2016–FY 2019 Planning Program and Local Technical Assistance Program	DOC	Posted	03/20/2018	
EDA-DEN-TA-DRO-2018-2005549	EDA Denver FY 2016–FY 2019 Planning Program and Local Technical Assistance Program	DOC	Posted	03/20/2018	
EDA-PHI-TA-PRO-2018-2005550	EDA Philadelphia FY 2016–FY 2019 Planning Program and Local Technical Assistance Program	DOC	Posted	03/20/2018	
EDA-SEA-TA-SRO-2018-2005551	EDA Seattle FY 2016–FY 2019 Planning Program and Local Technical Assistance Program	DOC	Posted	03/20/2018	
EDA-ATL-TA-ATRO-2018-2005539	EDA Atlanta FY 2016–FY 2019 Planning Program and Local Technical Assistance Program	DOC	Posted	03/20/2018	

Other databases or search options:

- CFDA/Assistance Listings
- Federal Register (www.federalregister.gov)
 - Journal of the National Archives
 - Publishes all federal documents, announcements, NOFAs
- Google
- Subscription databases:
 - InfoEd Global SPIN: All Federal and Private opportunities, customizable filters, saved searches, email notifications
 - Foundation Center (for Private/Foundation opportunities)

I Found Several Interesting Opportunities... How Do I Select the Right One?

- Keep in mind that federal agencies fund groups or organizations, rarely individuals
- It is important to define the mission and vision of your organization, your needs, and your goals in applying for funding (what you hope to achieve) before you decide on a specific opportunity.
- Each federal agency has its own mission and vision, and will have specific goals that it will want to achieve with this funding opportunity
- It is important that your organization's Mission and Goals are in alignment with that of the funding agency and the specific funding opportunity—it will be important to describe this in your narrative

Determining whether the sponsor's **mission** is a fit for you:

- Get to know the sponsor/funding agency—
 - Read sponsor web pages, mission statement , history and scope of grant making activity
 - Talk with other funded organizations; with the program officers
 - Read and re-read the Program Announcement
 - Look at **goals of program**, funding priorities, target populations and review criteria
 - Weigh those against your own goals, expertise, collaborative relationships, and your organization's capacity and infrastructure

Determine whether **your goals** are a good match for **their needs**—what is in it for the sponsor?

- Research what else the agency has funded:
 - Review abstracts or samples of successful proposals if available
 - What kinds of organizations were funded? What similarities do you share with them?
- Make sure that you can justify a clear connection between your objectives and those of the sponsor
 - Example: If you are applying to the EDA, how will the outcomes of your project ultimately impact economic recovery for Puerto Rico, whether as a direct or indirect consequence
- Remember that a proposal is a persuasive argument for the agency to give you money for your project, and that they will benefit by advancing their public mission. They are your audience and you need to speak to their published needs.

TRANSFORMATION AND INNOVATION IN THE WAKE OF DEVASTATION

AN ECONOMIC AND DISASTER RECOVERY PLAN
FOR PUERTO RICO



To achieve the Governor's ambitious vision, the recovery plan is focused on the following four primary goals



CAPITAL INVESTMENTS

Physical Capital

ENERGY

Transform the energy system to ensure customer-centric, affordable, reliable, and scalable electricity that incorporates more renewables, microgrids, and distributed energy resources; can drive new businesses and employment opportunities; and can support residents' well-being.

COMMUNICATIONS/INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

Modernize the telecommunications system to ensure fast, reliable, and resilient residential, commercial, and emergency communications that drive Puerto Rico's economy, prosperity, and well-being.

WATER

Rethink water systems to be safer, more reliable, and protected from future disasters to ensure the well-being of Puerto Ricans and the environment as well as the operations of government and businesses.

TRANSPORTATION

Rebuild and strengthen maritime, surface, and air transportation to ensure a flexible and reliable transportation system that moves people and goods, ensures economic continuity, and facilitates disaster response.

HOUSING

Repair and rebuild resilient residential housing that is safe and affordable to create a better built environment.

PUBLIC BUILDINGS

Repair, rebuild, and right-size the public buildings inventory to ensure stronger and more resilient public buildings that meet today's standards, mitigate against future disasters, represent innovative designs, and meet communities' needs.

Human Capital

EDUCATION

Transform the education system to produce competitive graduates with the knowledge and skills needed to adapt to changes in the economy, the environment, and technology.

HEALTH AND WELL-BEING

Rebuild and enhance health and social service infrastructure and regional health care networks to ensure reliable and equitable access to health and social services and health-promoting communities, including an efficient and effective response to public health crises and other future disasters.

Natural Capital

NATURAL ENVIRONMENT

Restore plan for, and develop the natural environment so that marine and terrestrial ecosystems coexist sustainably with tourism, promote the economic development of Puerto Rico, serve as natural infrastructure to protect against storm damage, manage waste, and preserve the natural and cultural heritage of Puerto Ricans.

STRATEGIC INITIATIVES

OCEAN ECONOMY (BLUEtide)

Integrate and promote all of Puerto Rico's ocean-dependent industries and ecosystems as a cohesive effort to promote economic growth, improve quality of life for residents, and enhance the visitor's experience.

VISITOR ECONOMY

Develop a strong visitor economy to help position Puerto Rico as a global destination of investment, production, and wealth.

EMERGENCY SERVICES MODERNIZATION

Enhance public safety and first responders' ability to deliver reliable, modern, and integrated emergency services.

AGRICULTURAL TRANSFORMATION

Modernize agriculture to promote greater productivity and output and improve exports.

DIGITAL TRANSFORMATION

Build the capabilities and workforce needed to fundamentally transform key industry and government processes to become more user-focused, relevant, and efficient at addressing local needs and delivering basic services.

21ST-CENTURY WORKFORCE

Develop and protect human capital to establish a world-class workforce, increase labor force flexibility, and create high-quality employment opportunities aligned with economic growth strategies.

ENTREPRENEURSHIP

Expand opportunities for entrepreneurship and development of small to medium local businesses that can compete globally to promote economic development.

ADVANCED MANUFACTURING

Address policy and structural barriers to increase opportunities for investment and the growth of private-public partnerships.

Roughly 270 specific courses of action have been linked with these capital investments and strategic initiatives.

Descriptions of these recovery actions—including estimated costs, possible funding sources, and potential implementers—are available in Chapter 12.

Community Development Block Grant Disaster Recovery Action Plan

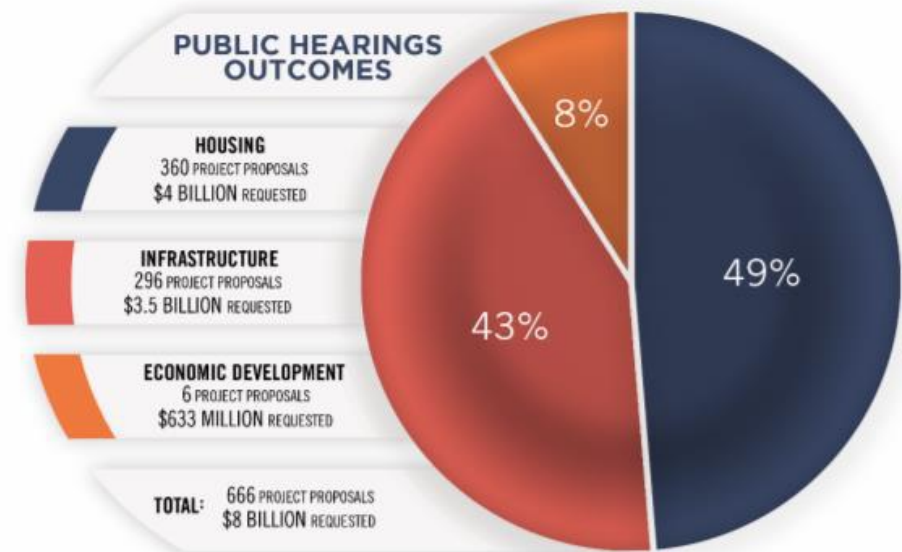


Figure 7. Summary of public hearing outcomes as of 5/2/18. (Subject to change as proposals are amended. Total includes 4 uncategorized projects)

FUNDING AGENCY MISSION: EDA as an example

MISSION

To lead the federal economic development agenda by promoting innovation and competitiveness, preparing American regions for growth and success in the worldwide economy.

The U.S. Economic Development Administration's investment policy is designed to establish a foundation for sustainable job growth and the building of durable regional economies throughout the United States.

This foundation builds upon two key economic drivers - innovation and regional collaboration.

Innovation is key to global competitiveness, new and better jobs, a resilient economy, and the attainment of national economic goals. Regional collaboration is essential for economic recovery because regions are the centers of competition in the new global economy and those that work together to leverage resources and use their strengths to overcome weaknesses will fare better than those that do not. EDA encourages its partners around the country to develop initiatives that advance new ideas and creative approaches to address rapidly evolving economic conditions.

Useful Links

- [EDA Informational Video](#)
- [EDA Informational Brochure \(PDF\)](#)
- [EDA Performance Measurement and Program Evaluation](#)

A. Program Description

1. Overview and Program Information

EDA's mission is to lead the Federal economic development agenda by promoting innovation and competitiveness, and preparing American regions for growth and success in the worldwide economy. Through this Disaster Supplemental NOFO, EDA will award investments in regions experiencing severe economic distress or other economic harm resulting from Hurricanes Harvey, Irma, and Maria, and of wildfires and other natural disasters occurring in calendar year 2017. Under this announcement, EDA solicits applications under the authority of its EAA program. The EAA program is intended to be flexible and responsive to the economic development needs and priorities of local and regional stakeholders, including those seeking assistance recovering from Federally declared disasters.

EAA funds can be used for a variety of activities related to disaster recovery, including: (1) disaster relief and public works construction; (2) economic development activities related to pressing economic issues and is particularly relevant for regions recovering from natural disasters. EAA funds can also be used to support both the development of disaster recovery strategies and the implementation of recovery projects identified with those strategies, including infrastructure improvements and by capitalizing revolving loan funds (RLFs).

2. **DOC Disaster Recovery Investment Priorities**

All projects considered for EDA funding under this NOFO must be consistent with at least one of DOC's Disaster Recovery Investment Priorities. DOC's Disaster Recovery Investment Priorities can be found at <https://www.eda.gov/about/investment-priorities/disaster-recovery/>. The priorities may be updated from time to time. Any future revisions will be reflected on EDA's website on January 15, April 15, June 15, or September 15 of each year.

**FUNDING OPPORTUNITY ANNOUNCEMENT MISSION AND PRIORITIES:
Example EDA Disaster Supplemental**

Grant Readiness

- Can you document how your efforts have measurably improved the lives of people in your community?
- Do you collaborate with other non-profits? Who?
- In what stage is your organization?
 - Start-up (<1 year)
 - Newly established (1-3 years)
 - Mature (> 3 years)

Next: What kind of information is found in the Program Announcement?

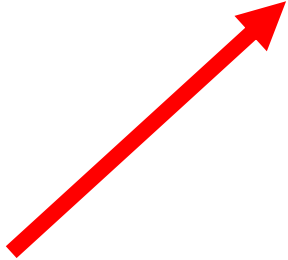
- Eligibility
- Due-dates; is a preliminary proposal required?
- Amount of funding and project period
- Allowable and Unallowable Costs
- How many projects to be funded (= how competitive)
- Are matching funds required?
- What are the directions for preparing the application and the narrative? Formatting?
- Review Criteria
- Program Officer contact information

EXAMPLE: EDA Disaster Supplemental 2018

NOTICE OF FUNDING OPPORTUNITY EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- **Federal Agency Name:** Economic Development Administration (EDA or the Agency), U.S. Department of Commerce (DOC).
- **Federal Funding Opportunity Title:** FY 2018 EDA Disaster Supplemental Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) (Disaster Supplemental NOFO).
- **Announcement Type and Date:** Disaster Supplemental NOFO announcement publishing EDA's proposal and application submission requirements and review procedures for the review of proposals and applications received under EDA's Economic Adjustment Assistance (EAA) disaster recovery program, as authorized by Sections 209 and 703 of the Public Works and Economic Development Act of 1965, as amended (42 U.S.C. § 3121 *et seq.*) (PWEDA). Effective date: April 10, 2018.
- **Funding Opportunity Number:** EDA-2018-DISASTER
- **Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) Number:** 11.307, Economic Adjustment Assistance

Eligible applicants for EDA EAA investment assistance include a(n):

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- a. District Organization;
 - b. Indian Tribe or a consortium of Indian Tribes;
 - c. State, county, city, or other political subdivision of a State, including a special purpose unit of a State or local government engaged in economic or infrastructure development activities, or a consortium of political subdivisions;
 - d. Institution of higher education or a consortium of institutions of higher education;
or

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ELIGIBILITY

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- e. Public or private non-profit organization or association acting in cooperation with officials of a political subdivision of a State.³

DEADLINE



4. **Submission Dates and Times**

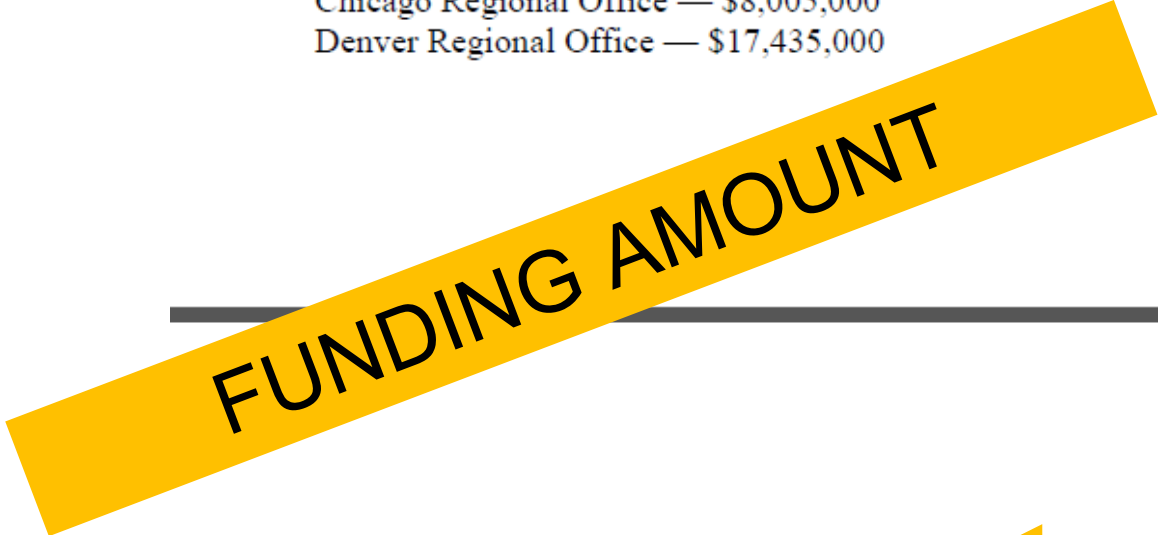
There are no application deadlines under this NOFO. EDA plans to accept applications on a rolling basis subject to the availability of funds. EDA's disaster supplemental appropriations are no-year funds and may be used to fund projects beyond FY18. EDA may cancel or withdraw the NOFO at any time.

1. What funding is available under this announcement?



Applying a number of factors, including impact and distress, EDA has allocated the \$587 million in disaster supplemental program funds among the six Regional Offices as follows:

- Atlanta Regional Office — \$147,362,000
- Austin Regional Office — \$129,119,000
- Chicago Regional Office — \$8,005,000
- Denver Regional Office — \$17,435,000




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- Philadelphia Regional Office — \$191,269,000
- Seattle Regional Office — \$93,810,000



PROJECT LENGTH



Period of Performance: Under the EAA program, the project period of performance depends on the nature of the project for which the grant is awarded. Typically, disaster and economic recovery strategy grants may range in duration from 12 to 18 months with extensions considered on a case-by-case basis. Implementation grants involving construction of project facilities and infrastructure generally are expected to range from 12 to 24 months. EDA will work closely with the recipients to accommodate their projected timelines within reason and allowances of regulations and grant policies. EDA expects that all projects will proceed efficiently and expeditiously, and EDA encourages applicants to clearly document how quickly they will be able to start and complete the proposed project scope of work.

staff will use the following factors to determine if a proposal is “Responsive” or “Not Responsive” to this NOFO:

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- a. The project’s consistency with at least one of DOC’s current Disaster Recovery Investment Priorities as outlined at <https://www.eda.gov/about/investment-priorities/disaster-recovery/>¹⁵ and described in Section A.2 of this NOFO;
- b. The applicant’s eligibility to receive an EDA grant, as described in Section C.1;
- c. Whether the proposed project is located in or serves an area that has received a major disaster designation as a result of Hurricanes Harvey, Irma, or Maria, or wildfires or other natural disasters occurring in calendar year 2017 under the Stafford Act, as described in Section C.2;
- d. Whether the project is consistent with the goals of EAA as detailed in Section A.1, including whether the proposal demonstrates a nexus between the proposed project scope of work and disaster recovery and resilience efforts; and
- e. Except with respect to proposals for strategy grants, the project’s alignment with the applicable region’s economic objectives stated in the region’s CEDS (or CEDS equivalent), as described in Section A.1.¹⁶

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Resources

- <https://www.grants.gov/web/grants/learn-grants.html>
- <https://blog.grants.gov/2018/05/09/what-is-a-contract-5-differences-between-grants-and-contracts/>
- <https://blog.grants.gov/2018/06/04/what-is-a-cfda-number-2/>
- Steiner, R. (2018) *Doing Good With Other People's Money: The Essential Guide To Winning Grants And Contracts For Nonprofits, Ngos, Educational Institutions, Municipalities, & Faith-based Organizations*. US: Hatherleigh Press

Resources

- <http://www.p3.pr.gov/assets/pr-transformation-innovation-plan-congressional-submission-080818.pdf> - Puerto Rico Economic and Disaster Recovery Plan
- http://www.cdbg-dr.pr.gov/wp-content/uploads/2018/09/AP_Amendment_EN_for_Comment-2.pdf - Puerto Rico Disaster Recovery Action Plan
- <http://spp-pr.org/> - Sociedad Puertorriqueña de Planificación
- <https://ayudalegalpr.org/issues/vivienda/cdbg-dr> - Ayuda Legal Puerto Rico, Inc.

Resources

<https://www.grants.gov/learn-grants/grant-making-agencies.html>

www.grants.gov

www.federalregister.gov

<https://www.eda.gov/about/>

EDA Disaster Supplemental NOFO: <https://www.grants.gov/web/grants/view-opportunity.html?oppld=302953>

Presentation by US Department of Housing & Urban Development in Peñuelas, PR, August 22 and 23, 2018: “Finding and Applying for Grants”

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