



2023/2024 Hurricane Legislative Appropriation Program

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Director Kevin Guthrie

2023/2024 Hurricane Legislative Appropriation Program (LAP) Overview

A funding opportunity is available to provide hurricane repair and recovery projects within counties designated in the Federal Emergency Management Agency disaster declarations for Hurricanes Ian or Nicole.

The Executive Office of the Governor, Division of Emergency Management is authorized to request budget amendments up to \$350,000,000 to provide resources to fund gaps in:

- Restoration of disaster-damaged, publicly owned facilities: (FEMA categories C – G);
- Non-engineered beaches, and non-maintained dirt roads;
- Infrastructure repair and replacement, including road, sewer, and water facilities; beach renourishment; debris removal; and
- Mitigation of local and county revenue losses and operating deficits;

Legislative Appropriation Program Overview

The Division is authorized to approve requests for resources for:

- ✓ **Local governments,**
- ✓ **Independent special districts,**
- ✓ **School boards, including charter schools.**

Legislative Appropriation Program Overview

Application Types:

Public Assistance

Local governments with a need to complete permanent work (FEMA Categories C-G).

Legislative Member projects will also be considered in this category.

Infrastructure

Local government issues that are not eligible for FEMA reimbursement due to an eligibility issue, a Determination Memo or some other disqualifying factor.

Examples in this category include non-engineered beaches, dirt roads that are not maintained, or projects that have a determination memo.

Loss Revenue

Mitigation of local and county revenue losses and operating deficits for jurisdictions when the Department of Economic Opportunity funding has been exhausted, or upon an applicant's denial of that program funding from the Department.

City and County Match

The remainder of the funds, if available, will go to meet the provisions of local governments provided that the grant program requires matching funds by grantees of at least 50 percent of project costs.

Examples in this category include infrastructure repair or replacement such as roads, sewer, water facilities, beach renourishment, seawalls/armoring, or debris removal.



Legislative Appropriation Program Overview

Eligibility:

Funding is available for hurricane repair and recovery projects within counties designated in the Federal Emergency Management Agency disaster declarations for Hurricanes Ian and Nicole

Basic Requirements:

Some examples of the required information may include FEMA project worksheets, insurance claims, denials, determination memos, revenue documentation, etc.

How the Program will be managed?

The Hurricane Recovery Program for Ian and Nicole will be managed through the Division of Emergency Management Enterprise Solution (DEMES). The portal will open on June 15, 2023

Division of Emergency Management Enterprise Solution Overview (DEMES)

DEMES (formally known as Salesforce) is the solution that **modernizes and digitizes** FDEM's **forms and processes** so we can **move faster, leverage grant funding** more efficiently, and provide an **easier navigation** experience for our agencies, partners, and internal staff.



BENEFITS OF DEMES

- ✓ Growing FDEM's **digital first mindset**
- ✓ Easier navigation via **automation**
- ✓ Time savings via **standardization and streamlining** of processes
- ✓ Efficiencies via **automated workflows and approvals**
- ✓ **Improved accuracy** based on integrated quality assurance measures
- ✓ **Visibility** to where items are in a workflow
- ✓ **Access to centralized data** to drive informed decisions

Legislative Appropriation Application Process

What is Changing?

Assisting Agencies and FDEM partners will need to transition their current processes with paper forms to using the new digital functionality within DEMES. This will include the 2023/2024 Hurricane Legislative Appropriation Program application process.

Assisting Agencies will experience **faster processing times**, **reduced work** via pre-populated data fields, **quality controls** for data accuracy, and an **improved user experience**.



Agencies will need to have an account in DEMES to apply to 2023/2024 Hurricane Legislative Appropriation Program

Live DEMO:

DEMES Registration

Questions

Live DEMO:

**2023/2024 Hurricane Legislative
Appropriation Program
Application Intake**

Questions

Legislative Appropriation Program Q&A

- ✓ How long does it take to get the approval of the application?
- ✓ How do I know if my application was approved?
- ✓ After I get the approval of my application, when will I get the funds?
- ✓ Is there an application deadline?
- ✓ Can I apply if I am not registered in DEMES?

Points of Contacts



2023/2024 Hurricane LAP

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Resources

- A recording of this Webinar and the DEMES Reference Guide will be available at the Division of Emergency Management Website – [Division of Emergency Management Enterprise Solution | Florida Disaster](#)

