Donated Resources Emergency Work Fact Sheet

Donated Resources Can Help Offset Public Assistance Project Costs. Labor and resources donated by volunteers and organizations may also help local agencies save taxpayer money by offsetting the non-federal share under FEMA's Public Assistance Program. Donated resources used on eligible work that is essential to meeting immediate threats to life and property resulting in a major disaster may be credited toward the non-federal share as long as it is tracked and documented– **so it is important to start tracking and documenting now.**

What are donated resources?

Individuals and organizations often donate resources to assist with disaster response activities. This assistance comes from individuals or organizations in the form of labor, equipment, materials and supplies. This assistance may be referred to as "in-kind" contributions by third parties.

FEMA does not provide Public Assistance grant funding for donated resources; however, the Applicant may use the value of donated resources to offset the non-Federal share of its eligible Emergency Work projects (Category A and B). FEMA has determined that the value of in-kind contributions by third parties may be credited toward the calculation of the non-Federal share for eligible Emergency Work following declared disasters. To provide consistency, it is necessary to point out two items:

- The work performed by the volunteer resources must be eligible Emergency Work that is the legal responsibility of the Applicant wanting to use the value of the volunteer resources
- Volunteer resources must be provided by a third party.

Examples of Eligible and Ineligible Activities

Eligible Activities	Ineligible Activities
Removing eligible debris for public property. Filling and placing sandbags.	Volunteer firefighters working within their own jurisdiction.
Donating equipment to raise or reinforce a levee or clear the Applicant's right of way debris.	Emergency repairs to private property.
Donating chainsaws used to cut a fallen tree blocking a public hospital's driveway. Donating materials such as rocks and sand.	Feeding volunteers that are doing ineligible work, i.e., private property debris removal when it has not been approved for PA.

Documentation Requirement

The Florida Division of Emergency Management has developed a Documentation Checklist (FROC-CHE-004) for applicants to refer to along with a daily activity report (FROC-LOG-011) for tracking purposes.

If you have any questions regarding Donated Resources or the documentation requirements, please contact FDEM-Recovery-Questions@em.myflorida.com