

The American Rescue Plan allocates \$3 billion to EDA in supplemental funding to assist communities nationwide in their efforts to build back better by accelerating the economic recovery from the coronavirus pandemic and building local economies that will be resilient to future economic shocks.

American Rescue Plan funding enables EDA to provide larger, more transformational investments across the nation while utilizing its greatest strengths, including flexible funding to support community-led economic development.

EDA is making a Coal Communities Commitment, designating \$300 million of its \$3 billion American Rescue Plan appropriation to ensure support for these communities as they recover from the pandemic and create new jobs and opportunities, including through the creation or expansion of a new industry sector.

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	EDA is supporting states in planning efforts, investing in research that assesses the effectiveness of EDA's programs, and supporting stakeholder communities around key EDA initiatives.		BUILD BACK BETTER REGIONAL CHALLENGE \$1B This Challenge is designed to assist communities nationwide in their efforts to build back better by accelerating the economic recovery from the coronavirus pandemic and building local economies that will be resilient to future economic shocks. \$100M for Coal Communities		TRAVEL, TOURISM & OUTDOOR RECREATION \$750M Through state and competitive grant programs, EDA is focused on accelerating the recovery of communities that rely on the travel, tourism and outdoor recreation sectors, which were hard-hit by the pandemic.		This program will help hundreds of communities across the nation plan, build, innovate, and put people back to work through construction or non-construction projects designed to meet local needs. \$200M for Coal Communities	EDA is allocating \$100 million in American Rescue Plan funding specifically for Indigenous communities, which were disproportionately impacted by the pandemic.	GOOD JOBS CHALLENGE SSOOM This Challenge aims to get Americans back to work by building and strengthening regional systems and sectoral partnerships to train workers with in-demand skills that lead to good-paying jobs.
GOAL									
SPLIT	Planning: \$59M	Research & Networks: \$31M	Phase 1: <\$500k each	Phase 2: \$25-75M, up to \$100M	State grants: \$510M	Competitive: \$240M			
APPLICANTS	State or designated entity	National research & TA providers	All EDA eligibles	Phase 1 finalists	State or designated entity	All EDA eligibles	All EDA eligibles	Tribes and organizations serving Native Hawaiians and Pacific Islanders.	All EDA eligibles
APPLICATION PROCESS	By invitation	Rolling	National competition	National competition	State grants allocation	Rolling	Rolling	Rolling	National competition
APPLICATION DEADLINE	STATE PLANNING GRANTS Application due 45 days after receiving invitation RESEARCH AND NETWORKS GRANTS EDA encourages eligible applicants to submit as soon as possible		Phase 1 deadline: October 19, 2021 Phase 2 deadline: March 15, 2022		STATE TOURISM GRANTS Application due 60 days after receiving invitation COMPETITIVE TOURISM GRANTS EDA encourages eligible applicants to submit as soon as possible		EDA encourages eligible applicants to submit as soon as possible	EDA encourages eligible applicants to submit as soon as possible	Application deadline: January 26, 2022

BUILD BACK BETTER REGIONAL CHALLENGE Supercharging Local Economies



The **Build Back Better Regional Challenge** is designed to assist communities nationwide in their efforts to build back better by accelerating the economic recovery from the coronavirus pandemic and building local economies that will be resilient to future economic shocks.

The \$1 billion Build Back Better Regional Challenge will provide a transformational investment to 20-30 regions across the country that want to revitalize their economies. These regions will have the opportunity

to grow new regional industry clusters or scale existing ones through planning, infrastructure, innovation and entrepreneurship, workforce development, access to capital, and more.

- Phase 1: 50-60 regional coalitions of partnering entities will be awarded
 \$500,000 in technical assistance funds to develop and support three to eight projects to grow a regional growth cluster.
- **Phase 2:** EDA will award 20-30 regional coalitions **\$25 million to \$75 million**, and up to \$100 million, to implement those projects.

As part of the \$300 million

Coal Communities

Commitment, EDA will
allocate at least \$100 million
of the Build Back Better
Regional Challenge funding
to support coal communities.



WHO SHOULD APPLY

EDA invites eligible applicants to form regional coalitions to apply for funding to implement a collection of three to eight distinct but related projects in their region, in coordination with industry and community partners, and aligned around a holistic vision to build and scale a strategic industry cluster. Applicants should identify one key coordinating lead institution per regional cluster to lead the concept and projects into the implementation phase, while fostering collaboration and coordinating resources to ensure these investments have the greatest economic impact on our communities, regions, and the nation.

Coalition members eligible to apply for investment assistance for their region include a(n):

- District Organization of an EDA-designated Economic Development District
- Indian Tribe or a consortium of Indian Tribes
- 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
- Institution of higher education or a consortium of institutions of higher education
- Public or private non-profit organization or association acting in cooperation with officials of a political subdivision of a State

Individuals or for-profit entities are not eligible.



APPLICATION DEADLINE

- Phase 1 deadline: October 19, 2021
- Phase 2 deadline: March 15, 2022



- Please send email inquiries about the American Rescue Plan Build Back Better Regional Challenge to BuildBackBetter@eda.gov.
- For additional questions, particularly region-specific questions, contact your state's Economic Development Representative.
 Visit www.eda.gov/contact to find contact information for your Economic Development Representative.



GOOD JOBS CHALLENGE Getting Americans Back to Work



EDA's American Rescue Plan **Good Jobs Challenge** aims to get Americans back to work by building and strengthening systems and partnerships that bring together employers who have hiring needs with other key entities to train workers with in-demand skills that lead to good-paying jobs.

Through the Good Jobs Challenge, EDA is allocating \$500 million to collaborative skills training systems and programs. EDA encourages efforts to reach historically underserved populations and areas,

communities of color, women, and other groups facing labor market barriers such as persons with disabilities, disconnected youth, individuals in recovery, individuals with past criminal records, including justice impacted and reentry participants, serving trainees participating in the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) and Women, Infants and Children (WIC), and veterans and military spouses.

These systems and partnerships will create and implement industry-led training programs, designed to provide skills for and connect unemployed or underemployed workers to existing and emerging job opportunities. Ultimately, these systems are designed to train workers with the skills to secure a union job or a quality job that provides good pay, benefits, and growth opportunities.

EDA will fund proposals within the following three phases, as applicable to regional needs:

1 System Development

Help establish and develop a regional workforce training system comprised of multiple sector partnerships

2 Program Design

Develop the skills training curriculum and materials, and secure technical expertise needed to train workers

3 Program Implementation

Implement non-construction projects needed to provide workforce training and connect workers with quality jobs, including wrap-around services



WHO SHOULD APPLY

The Good Jobs Challenge is designed to support the needs of an applicant's identified regional workforce system through a single integrated award. EDA will make awards to either the System Lead Entity of a regional workforce system or the Backbone Organization of a sectoral partnership as the lead applicant. These organizations may make subawards to other eligible recipients as necessary to the proposed project and as approved by EDA.

Eligible applicants for EDA's Good Jobs Challenge include a(n):

- District Organization of an EDA-designated Economic Development District
- Indian Tribe or a consortium of Indian Tribes
- 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
- Institution of higher education or a consortium of institutions of higher education
- Public or private non-profit organization or association acting in cooperation with officials of a political subdivision of a State

Individuals or for-profit entities, including for-profit institutions of higher education, are not eligible.



APPLICATION DEADLINE

Application deadline:January 26, 2022



- Please send email inquiries about the American Rescue Plan Good Jobs Challenge to GoodJobsChallenge@eda.gov.
- For additional questions, please visit www.eda.gov/contact to find contact information for your Economic Development Representative.



ECONOMIC ADJUSTMENT ASSISTANCE Providing the Building Blocks for Success



EDA's American Rescue Plan **Economic Adjustment Assistance** program makes \$500 million in Economic
Adjustment Assistance grants available to American communities.

The Economic Adjustment Assistance program is EDA's most flexible program, and grants made under this program will help hundreds of communities across the nation plan, build, innovate, and put people back to work through construction or non-construction projects designed to meet local needs.

A wide range of technical, planning, workforce development, entrepreneurship, and public works and infrastructure projects are eligible for funding under this program.

As part of the \$300 million

Coal Communities

Commitment, EDA

will allocate at least

\$200 million of the

Economic Adjustment

Assistance funding to

support coal communities.



WHO SHOULD APPLY

Eligible applicants for EDA's Economic Adjustment Assistance program include a(n):

- District Organization of an EDA-designated Economic Development District
- Indian Tribe or a consortium of Indian Tribes
- 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
- Institution of higher education or a consortium of institutions of higher education
- Public or private non-profit organization or association acting in cooperation with officials of a political subdivision of a State

Individuals or for-profit entities are not eligible.



APPLICATION DEADLINE

Suggested application submission date:

March 15, 2022

Applications reviewed on a rolling basis



CONTACTS

 Please visit www.eda.gov/contact to find contact information for your Economic Development Representative.



INDIGENOUS COMMUNITIES Supporting Economic Development in Indigenous Communities



Through the **Indigenous Communities** program, EDA is allocating \$100 million in American Rescue Plan funding specifically for Indigenous communities, which were disproportionately impacted by the pandemic.

This program is designed to support the needs of Tribal Governments and Indigenous communities. EDA will support these important partners to develop and execute economic development projects that they need to recover from the pandemic and build economies for the future.

A wide range of technical, planning, workforce development, entrepreneurship, and public works and infrastructure projects are eligible for funding under this program.

Indigenous communities are also eligible and encouraged to apply under all of EDA's other programs.



WHO SHOULD APPLY

Eligible entities under this EDA program are:

- Indian Tribes or a consortium of Indian Tribes, as defined in 13 C.F.R. § 300.3
- A public or private non-profit organization or association serving Native Hawaiians
- A public or private non-profit organization or association serving Native Pacific Islanders of Guam, American Samoa, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, the Republic of the Marshall Islands, the Federated States of Micronesia, or the Republic of Palau

State-recognized Tribes, unrecognized Tribes, and non-profits that do not fall within the definitions above are not eligible.



APPLICATION DEADLINE

 Suggested application submission date:
 March 15, 2022

Applications reviewed on a rolling basis



- Email your questions about the American Rescue Plan Indigenous Communities program to Indigenous@eda.gov
- Please visit www.eda.gov/contact to find contact information for your Economic Development Representative



TRAVEL, TOURISM & OUTDOOR RECREATION Promoting America's Tourist Communities



Through the **Travel, Tourism & Outdoor Recreation** program, EDA is focused on accelerating the recovery of communities that rely on the travel, tourism and outdoor recreation sectors. \$750 million of EDA's American Rescue Plan funds are allocated to support the following efforts:

- **State Tourism Grants: \$510 million** in non-competitive awards to help states quickly invest in marketing, infrastructure, workforce and other projects to rejuvenate safe leisure, business and international travel.
- Competitive Grants: \$240 million to help communities that have been hardest hit by challenges facing the travel, tourism and outdoor recreation sectors to invest in infrastructure, workforce or other projects to support the recovery of the industry and economic resilience of the community in the future.



WHO SHOULD APPLY

State Tourism Grants

Eligible applicants for EDA's Statewide Planning Grants include Governors, the Mayor of DC, and other applicable Territory leaders or their designees. EDA will send these applicants a formal invitation to apply.

Competitive Tourism Grants

Eligible applicants for EDA's Competitive Tourism Grants program include a(n):

- District Organization of an EDA-designated Economic Development District
- Indian Tribe or a consortium of Indian Tribes
- 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
- Institution of higher education or a consortium of institutions of higher education
- Public or private non-profit organization or association acting in cooperation with officials of a political subdivision of a State

Individuals or for-profit entities are not eligible.



APPLICATION DEADLINE

State Tourism Grants

→ Application due 60 days after receiving invitation

Competitive Tourism Grants

→ Suggested Application Submission Date:

March 15, 2022

Applications reviewed on a rolling basis



- Email your questions about the American Rescue Plan Travel, Tourism & Outdoor Recreation program to TravelandTourism@eda.gov
- Visit www.eda.gov/contact to find contact information for your Economic Development Representative



STATEWIDE PLANNING, RESEARCH & NETWORKS Planning for a Resilient Future



Building back better means investing in projects that will promote equity and develop local economies that will be resilient to future economic shocks and climate change.

Through the **Statewide Planning, Research & Networks** program, EDA is supporting states in planning efforts by allocating \$59 million for Statewide Planning Grants.

In addition, the program will allocate \$31 million for Research and Networks Grants to invest in research that assesses the effectiveness of EDA's programs, and provides support for stakeholder communities around key EDA initiatives.



WHO SHOULD APPLY

State Planning Grants

Eligible applicants for EDA's Statewide Planning Grants include Governors, the Mayor of DC, and other applicable Territory leaders or their designees. EDA will send these applicants a formal invitation to apply.

Research and Networks Grants

Eligible applicants for EDA's Communities of Practice and Research Grants include a(n):

- District Organization of an EDA-designated Economic Development District
- Indian Tribe or a consortium of Indian Tribes
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- Institution of higher education or a consortium of institutions of higher education
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Individuals or for-profit entities are not eligible.



APPLICATION DEADLINE

State Planning Grants

→ Application due 45 days after receiving invitation

Research and Networks Grants

→ Suggested Application Submission Date:

October 31, 2021

Applications reviewed on a rolling basis



- For Statewide Planning inquiries, please visit www.eda.gov/contact to find contact information for your Economic Development Representative
- Please email your questions about the American Rescue Plan Research program to research@eda.gov
- Please email your questions about the American Rescue Plan Networks program to networks@eda.gov



COAL COMMUNITIES COMMITMENT Diversifying Coal Communities for a Resilient Future



EDA's **Coal Communities Commitment** allocates \$300 million of its \$3 billion American Rescue Plan appropriation to support coal communities as they recover from the pandemic and to help them create new jobs and opportunities, including through the creation or expansion of a new industry sector. This announcement builds on the "Initial Report to the President on Empowering Workers Through Revitalizing Energy Communities" developed by President Biden's Interagency Working Group.

Specifically, EDA will dedicate \$100 million of its Build Back Better Regional Challenge funds and \$200 million of its Economic Adjustment Assistance funds to directly support coal communities.

EDA also supports these communities through its Assistance to Coal Communities (ACC) initiative. Through ACC, EDA awards funds on a competitive basis to assist communities impacted by the declining use of coal through activities and programs that support economic diversification, job creation, capital investment, workforce development, and re-employment opportunities.



WHO SHOULD APPLY

There is no pre-defined list of impacted coal communities. Coal communities include those outlined by the Interagency Working Group report as well as communities and regions that can reasonably demonstrate how changes in the coal economy have resulted or are anticipated to result in job losses and layoffs in any coal-reliant commercial sector (e.g., coal mining, coal-fired power plants).

Eligible applicants for EDA's American Rescue Plan programs include a(n):

- District Organization of an EDA-designated Economic Development District
- Indian Tribe or a consortium of Indian Tribes
- 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
- Institution of higher education or a consortium of institutions of higher education
- Public or private non-profit organization or association acting in cooperation with officials of a political subdivision of a State

Individuals or for-profit entities are not eligible.



MORE INFORMATION

Please visit the websites below to learn more about the programs with dedicated funds to support coal communities:

- Build Back Better Regional Challenge
- Economic Adjustment Assistance



- Please email inquiries about the American Rescue Plan Build Back Better Regional Challenge to BuildBackBetter@eda.gov.
- Please contact your state's Economic Development Representative for more information about the American Rescue Plan Economic Adjustment Assistance program. Visit www.eda.gov/contact to find contact information for your Economic Development Representative.



EDA Methods and Tools

Strategic Planning

At the early stages of post-disaster recovery, EDA's disaster recovery grants can help eligible organizations create economic recovery and resiliency plans, sometimes with the assistance of EDA-funded disaster recovery coordinators.

Capital for Alternative Financing

Often in parallel with planning and technical assistance, EDA funding can be used to capitalize or recapitalize Revolving Loan Funds

(RLFs) through non-profit and governmental entities to provide below market-rate loans to businesses to help provide gap financing and to support new business development.

"EDA has provided support for the

recovery of one of our state's scientific

crown Jewels, UT's Marine Science

Institute in Port Aransas. This grant

will enable MSI to not only rebuild,

but to reach new heights as a leader

Gregory L. Fenves, President,

EDA's \$5 million grant to repair

and renovate UT's MSI that was

damaged by Hurricane Harvey

University of Texas at Austin on

in oceanic research."

Infrastructure Development

As recovery efforts progress, EDA funds can be used to finance construction of new infrastructure, or infrastructure repair, and enhancements to diversify economies and strengthen resilience to future disasters. Examples include business incubators, technology parks, research facilities, access roads, storm drainage, water treatment facilities to prevent business disruption and retain and create jobs in the impacted region, and other resilient infrastructure.

Resiliency

Economic resilience depends on the ability of businesses and communities to adapt to changing conditions in order to withstand and quickly recover from disruptive events. EDA funding can help communities develop a more robust, diversified, and resilient economy through planning, technical assistance, and core capacity building investments that help business, along with state, local, and tribal governments prepare for and bounce back from disasters.

Opportunity Zones

An important new tool in EDA's disaster recovery toolbox is Opportunity Zones, which were created under the 2017 Tax Cuts and Jobs Act to stimulate economic development and job creation by incentivizing long-term investments in disadvantaged areas across the country. EDA has added Opportunity Zones as one of our five investment Priorities to help significantly increase the number of catalytic Opportunity Zone-related projects that communities submit to EDA and that EDA subsequently funds.

"Without assistance from EDA on several projects, the City of Minot would be years behind on its recovery efforts. The project funding from EDA has assisted the City in its resiliency efforts, bringing basic needs to residents across the City, while also creating more than 225 jobs. This would not be possible without EDA's generous assistance."

Lyndsay Ulrickson, Executive Director, Souris Basin Planning Council on Minot floods of 2011

EDA Regional Offices Contact your regional EDA office

Contact your regional EDA office for more information about the agency's disaster recovery and other program resources: www.eda.gov/contact

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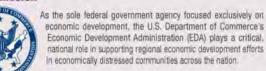


Leading Economic Recovery Efforts in Disaster-Impacted Communities



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EDA's Mission



Guided by the basic principle that sustainable economic development should be locally-driven, EDA works directly with communities to help them build capacity for economic development based on local business conditions and needs. EDA's grant investments in infrastructure, strategic planning, access to capital and technical assistance are designed to leverage existing regional assets to support the implementation of economic development strategies that support business start-up, growth, and job creation.

EDA and Disaster Recovery

On behalf of the U.S. Department of Commerce, EDA leads the Economic Recovery Support Function (ERSF) under the Federal Government's National Disaster Recovery Framework (NDRF). In this role, EDA facilitates the effective delivery of federal economic development assistance to support long-term economic recovery planning and project implementation, economic diversification and economic resiliency. EDA is uniquely positioned to coordinate regional disaster recovery efforts in partnership with its extensive network of Economic Development Districts, University Centers, and other partners in disaster-impacted areas.



"EDA investments across Louisiana's Economic Development Districts (EDDs) contribute to the resiliency and economic success of our local communities. From ports to base reuse to high tech to workforce development investments, EDA's contributions in our eight EDDs strengthen local capacity. EDA's wide-ranging approach to economic development gives Louisiana the latitude to address the myriad of socio-economic problems in the state."

Cheri Soileau, Executive Director, Imperial Calcasieu Regional Planning and Development Commission

www.eda.gov/disaster

Fiscal Year 2018 and 2019 Disaster Supplemental Funds

In FY 2018 and FY 2019, EDA received a total of \$1.2 billion in supplemental disaster appropriations (\$600 million each year) from Congress to help regions recover from economic harm and distress resulting from natural disasters in 2017-2019. With these funds, communities and regions hit hard by major disasters in the United States are rebuilding stronger, more resilient economies.

FY 2019 Disaster Supplemental

In August 2019, EDA published the FY 2019 Disaster Supplemental Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO), making \$587 million available for grant investments to regions located in, or serving, one or more communities impacted by Hurricanes Florence, Michael, and Lane; Typhoons Yutu, and Mangkhut; wildfires; volcanic eruptions; earthquakes; and other natural disasters occurring in calendar year 2018, and tornatoes and floods occurring in calendar year 2019.

Who is eligible to receive disaster recovery grants?

EDA's Regional Offices award disaster assistance grants under the agency's Economic Adjustment Assistance (EAA) Program.

Eligible applicants under the EAA program can include: District Planning Organizations, Indian tribes, state, county, or city governments, institutions of higher education, and public or private non-profit organizations.

EDA is not authorized to provide EAA grants to individuals or for-profit entities. Requests from such entities will not be considered for funding.

What specific activities are eligible for Disaster Supplemental funding?

Through the EAA Program, EDA can support both the development of disaster recovery strategies/plans and the implementation of recovery projects, including construction activities, capitalizing RLFs, entrepreneurship development, and technical assistance. All projects must be consistent with at least one of EDA's Investment Priorities, which can be found at: www.eda.gov/about/investment-priorities.

When can you apply?

Now! Disaster Supplemental proposals and applications are accepted and reviewed by EDA on an ongoing basis until the cancellation of the current NOFO or all available funds have been expended.

Where do you apply?

Proposals and applications must be submitted to **www.grants.gov** or to the appropriate EDA Regional Office. Applicants can locate the funding opportunity, which includes program and evaluation criteria, on Grants.gov using Funding Opportunity Number *EDA-2019-DISASTER.*

For more information, please visit: www.eda.gov/disaster-recovery/supplemental/.

To find contact information for the EDA Economic Development Representative (EDR) covering your state, please visit: www.eda.gov/contact.

A History of Support: EDA and Disaster Recovery

EDA has a long history of successfully supporting locally-led disaster recovery and resiliency efforts.

in fact, since the early 1990s, EDA has received a total of \$2.5 billion in supplemental appropriations from Congress to support long-term economic recovery and economic resiliency in the aftermath of disasters.

Here are some examples of our work:

- In the 1990s and early 2000s, EDA received a series of disaster supplemental appropriations for significant natural disasters impacting communities during this period.
- In FY 2008, EDA received two disaster supplemental appropriations for a total of \$500 million to support the economic recovery of communities significantly impacted by hurricanes, floods, and other natural disasters, including a multi-state flood disaster in the Midwest and Gulf Coast Hurricanes Katrina, Ike, and Gustav.

"The University of Puerto Rico and the University of the Virgin Islands have signed an historic Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) that strengthens the recovery initiatives in the Caribbean region after the devastating impacts of hurricanes Irma and Mana in 2017. This MOU is an example and a direct result of the commitment that the U.S. Economic Development Administration has with recovery efforts of Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands."

Ubaldo Cordova Figueroa, Executive Vice President, University of Puerto Rico on the signing of a historic MOU between the University of Puerto Rico and the University of the Virgin Islands

- In FY 2010, EDA received \$5 million to support economic recovery from the Gulf Coast Deepwater Horizon oil spill and \$49 million to support economic recovery activities as part of the 2010 Storm and Flood Assistance Disaster Supplemental Appropriation.
- In FY 2012, EDA received \$200 million to support disaster relief, long-term recovery, and restoration of infrastructure in areas that received a major disaster designation in 2011.
- EDA, in FY 2018 and FY 2019, received a total of \$1.2 billion (\$600 million each year) in supplemental funding to help regions build back from catastrophic disasters including Hurricanes Irma, Maria, Harvey, Michael, Florence; wildfires; Typhoons Yutu and Mangkhut; and other disasters.
- EDA has also served on the ground, in partnerships with other federal agencies and local leaders, in several disaster locations, including Florida, Texas, Puerto Rico and the USVI, helping communities recover and build back stronger for the future.

Visit EDA's website for more information about the agency's disaster activities and supplemental funding: www.eda.gov/disaster-recovery.

"The workshop spotlighted the reason why EDA plays a key role in our region's recovery from natural disasters by helping our communities get quick answers about specific projects that will help them become more resilient and restore their local economies. EDA leads the way on convening the entire spectrum of state and federal funding partners."

Chuck Wemple, Executive Director, Houston-Galveston Area Council referring to an EDA organized economic recovery workshop following Hurricane Harvey

<u>Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP)</u> – Assists in implementing long-term hazard mitigation planning and projects following a Presidential major disaster declaration. Types of activities under HMGP:

- Acquisition of hazard prone homes and businesses which enable owners to relocate to safer areas (acquisition)
- Protecting homes and businesses with permanent barriers to prevent floodwater from entering (levees, floodwalls, floodproofing)
- Elevating structures above known flood levels to prevent and reduce losses (elevation)
- Reconstructing a damaged dwelling on an elevated foundation to prevent and reduce future flood losses
- Structural retrofits to make a building more resistant to floods, earthquakes, wind, wildfire and other natural hazards
- Retrofits to utilities and other infrastructure to enhance resistance to natural hazards (utility retrofits)
- Construction of safe rooms for both communities and individual residences in areas prone to hurricane and tornado activity
- Slope stabilization projects to prevent and reduce losses to structures
- Drainage improvement projects to reduce flooding (flood risk reduction projects)
- Post-disaster code enforcement
- Developing and adopting hazard mitigation plans, which are required for state, local, tribal and territorial governments to receive funding for their hazard mitigation projects

Flood Mitigation Assistance (FMA) Program — Provides funds for planning and projects to reduce or eliminate risk of flood damage to buildings that are insured annually under the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP). Additionally, FEMA chooses recipients based on the applicant's ranking of the project and the eligibility and cost-effectiveness of the project. FEMA also requires state, local, tribal and territorial governments to develop and adopt hazard mitigation plans as a condition for receiving certain types of non-emergency disaster assistance, including funding for hazard mitigation assistance projects. *Structures identified in the subapplication must have an NFIP policy in effect at the FMA application start date and must maintain it through completion of the mitigation activity and for the life of the structure.

<u>Building Resilient Infrastructure & Communities (BRIC)</u> – BRIC is a new FEMA pre-disaster hazard mitigation program that replaces the existing Pre-Disaster Mitigation (PDM) program. Support for states, local communities, tribes and territories as they undertake hazard mitigation projects, reducing the risks they face from disasters and natural hazards. Pre-Award Costs are allowed only if the project is deemed eligible and awarded – Project development costs can be incurred before the application period – project implementation costs can only be incurred after project award. Can be used for:

- Technical Assistance
- Capability and capacity building
- Mitigation Projects
- Management Costs

If the **mitigation project** is located in a **Special Flood Hazard Area**, it must meet both of the following conditions: 1. The project is in a jurisdiction participating in the National Flood Insurance Program that is not on probation, suspended, or withdrawn. 2. The property owner obtains and maintains flood insurance for the life of the structure, regardless of transfer of ownership, in an amount at least equal to the project cost or to the maximum limit of coverage made available with respect to the mitigated property, whichever is less.

<u>Pre-Disaster Mitigation (PDM) Program</u> – Has been replaced by BRIC. Provided funds annually for hazard mitigation planning and projects.

<u>Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)</u> – An entitlement program which provides annual funding to designated municipalities, and also Competitive program is available to all municipalities that are not direct federal recipients of CDBG funds and state Act 179 entitlement municipalities with a population less than 10,000. Seventy percent of each entitlement grant must be used for activities that benefit lowand moderate-income persons. Various types of projects, however, priority is given to the following types of projects:

- Water and Sewer Infrastructure Projects
- Impactful neighborhood streetscapes
- Slum/blight removal for community revitalization
- Resiliency projects

<u>Community Development Block Grant – Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR)</u> – *Currently*: Grants for federally designated disaster areas impacted by Tropical Storm Lee and Hurricane Irene. *Types of uses*: Housing rehabilitation, homebuyer assistance, housing development and other housing-related activities, infrastructure improvements, economic development and planning and technical assistance activities. Fifty percent of the grant funding must be used for activities that benefit low- and moderate-income persons. Eighty percent of the funds must be targeted to the following counties and municipalities within those counties — (*priority given to*) Luzerne, Bradford, Dauphin, Columbia and Wyoming.

Community Development Block Grant – Mitigation (CDBG-MIT) – Funds pose a unique opportunity for eligible grantees to use this assistance in areas impacted by recent disasters to carry out strategic and high-impact activities to mitigate disaster risks and reduce future losses. Congress appropriated \$12 billion in CDBG funds in February 2018 specifically for mitigation activities for qualifying disasters in 2015, 2016, and 2017, and HUD was able to allocate an additional \$3.9 billion, bringing the amount available for mitigation to nearly \$16 billion. HUD's Federal Register Notice includes the following:

- Meet the definition of a mitigation activity;
- Address current and future risks as identified in the grantee's mitigation needs assessment of most impacted and distressed (MID) areas;
- Be CDBG-eligible activities or otherwise eligible pursuant to a waiver or alternative requirement;
- Meet a national objective, including additional criteria for mitigation activities and covered projects

<u>Flood Mitigation Program (FMP)</u> – *Overview*: Act 13 of 2012 establishes the Marcellus Legacy Fund and allocates funds to the Commonwealth Financing Authority (the "Authority") for funding statewide initiatives to assist with flood mitigation projects. Grants shall not exceed \$500,000 for any project. A 15% match of the total project cost is required. Funds may be used by the applicant to pay for any of the following project costs:

- Acquisition of land, rights-of-way, and easements necessary to construct an eligible project.
- Engineering studies required for levee certification and Hydrologic Engineering Center's River Analysis System (HEC-RAS) studies.
- Construction, improvement, expansion, repair, or rehabilitation of flood control projects. Construction contingencies are limited to 5% of the actual construction costs.
- Debris removal.
- Installation of security measures.

- Construction engineering costs/inspections costs. Maximum of 10% of the grant award.
- Permit fees.
- Costs to secure appropriate bonds and insurance.
- Administrative costs of the applicant necessary to administer the grant. Administrative costs will
 include advertising, legal, and audit costs as well as documented staff expenses. Administrative
 costs shall not exceed 2% of the grant. Ineligible costs include but are not limited to public
 relations, outreach, communications, lobbying, litigation, fees for securing other financing,
 interest on borrowed funds, application preparation fees and other costs incurred prior to the
 approval of grant funds.

<u>PA Small Water and Sewer</u> – Grants for small water, sewer, storm sewer, and flood control infrastructure projects. Activities to assist with the construction, improvement, expansion, or rehabilitation or repair of a water supply system, sanitary sewer system, storm sewer system, or flood control projects. Eligible projects are those which have a total project cost of not less than \$30,000 and not more than \$500,000.

<u>US Army Corps of Engineers (USACOE)</u> – Provided planning assistance to states for "all things water". Types of projects:

- Planning Assistance:
 - Flood risk assessments
 - Nonstructural flood proofing assessments
 - Stream and wetland assessments
 - Sewer infrastructure inventories and databases
 - Watershed planning
 - GIS mapping,
 - Water supply demands.
- Floodplain Management Services:
 - Nonstructural flood proofing assessments
 - Flood inundation tools and mapping
 - Risk communication
 - Flood risk assessments
 - Mitigation planning
 - Post-flood documentation
 - Emergency table top exercises
 - Flood preparedness and more

<u>Silver Jackets (part of USACOE)</u> – Purpose: State-led, interagency federal, state and local team focused on sharing knowledge and collaborating on projects to reduce flood risk and enhance response and recovery. Types of Projects:

- Nonstructural flood proofing assessments
- Flood inundation tools and mapping
- Flood risk communication
- Flood risk assessments
- Mitigation planning
- Emergency table top exercises and more