

FEMA Provides An Additional \$14.3 Million To Colorado For COVID-19 Response

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DENVER – The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) has provided \$14.3 million in additional funding for COVID-19 response efforts in Colorado. To date, FEMA has provided more than \$401 million in Public Assistance funding for COVID-19 response in Colorado. The assistance was made available under a major disaster declaration issued March 28, 2020.

The \$14.3 million was provided to the Colorado Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management:

- \$7.8 million was provided to the Colorado Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management to utilize contract services to buildout St. Mary Corwin Medical Center as an Alternate Care Site (ACS) to accommodate COVID-19 patients.
- The Division used \$4.6 million to provide materials for emergency medical care including, but not limited to, KN95 masks, thermometers, gloves, surgical gowns, and other medical supplies. In addition, the Division utilized contracts for sanitation services subject matter experts to provide technical assistance to the SEOC, and support staff.
- \$1.9 million was provided to the Colorado Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management to utilize contract services to buildout St. Anthony North Health Campus by converting the 2nd and 3rd floors of the facility to accommodate COVID-19 patients in order for the facility to serve as an ACS in warm status.

FEMA's Public Assistance Program provides funding for emergency actions undertaken by communities to protect public safety, providing no less than a 75 percent federal share for eligible costs. President Biden has approved a 100 percent cost share for projects related to the pandemic response that include work completed between January. 20, 2020 and September. 30, 2021.



For the COVID-19 response, FEMA has simplified the Public Assistance application and funding process to address the magnitude of this event and to allow local officials to receive eligible funding more quickly. These reimbursements play a critical role as state, local and tribal officials work tirelessly to assist their communities during this response.

Additional information about FEMA's Public Assistance program can be found at www.fema.gov/assistance/public.

