

FEMA Provides Another \$5 Million for Montana COVID-19 Response

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DENVER – FEMA has approved an additional \$5 million in Public Assistance funding for the Montana COVID-19 response. The assistance was made available under a major disaster declaration issued March 31, 2020. FEMA has now provided more than \$57.2 million for Montana’s COVID-19 response with this award.

The FEMA Public Assistance funds were awarded as follows:

- \$1.5 million was provided to the Montana Department of Public Health and Human Services for the operation of COVID-19 monoclonal antibody treatment clinics in Missoula and Butte. To reduce the spread of COVID-19, separate entrances, infusion stations and post-infusion observation areas were created at the two locations and additional contracted medical support staff were provided.
- \$3.5 million to Montana Division of Emergency Services for the cost of managing the state’s COVID-19 response and recovery efforts.

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 to assist their communities during this response.

To fully support this essential work, the President authorized provision of FEMA Public Assistance at 100 percent federal funding through July 1, 2022. Beginning July 2, 2022, the federal cost share for COVID-19 projects is 90 percent of the eligible cost.

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

