

FEMA Adds 93 More Communities and Tribes to Program for Free Hands-on Support to Build Climate Resiliency, Brings Total to 167 Nationwide

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WASHINGTON -- FEMA today announced 93 local communities, tribes and territories across all 10 FEMA regions will receive non-financial [Direct Technical Assistance](#) to help build community-wide resilience through the [Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities](#) (BRIC) grant program. This more than doubles the number of recipients from last year. This announcement comes following the [agency's recent announcement](#) on the 656 BRIC recipients.

“FEMA is setting an example in the emergency management community by prioritizing benefits to historically underserved communities,” said Senior Official Performing the Duties of Deputy Administrator Victoria Salinas. “Underserved communities have historically lacked resources to navigate the grant process. Through Direct Technical Assistance, FEMA directly works with these very communities to help advance their community-driven objectives and tap into valuable grants to become more resilient to increasing climate threats.”

This announcement aligns with the [2024 FEMA Year of Resilience](#) theme to build capacity to withstand tomorrow’s hazards.

Through Direct Technical Assistance, FEMA provides wide-ranging support to communities, territories and Tribal Nations that may not have the resources to begin climate resilience planning and project solution design on their own. This non-financial assistance helps jurisdictions to reduce disaster damage, build community resilience and sustain successful mitigation programs.

Selected communities, territories and Tribal National receive support for BRIC DTA from pre-application activities to grant closeout for up to 36 months.



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Of the 93 selected, 23 are Tribal Nations, three are territories and 67 are communities. These selections bring the total number of [communities, territories, and tribes nationwide previously selected](#) to receive this hands-on support to 167.

Direct Technical Assistance has already benefitted communities since launching in 2020 including [Depue, Illinois](#), in last year’s funding cycle. This year, two 2021 Direct Technical Assistance communities--Crisfield, Maryland, and Eastwick in Philadelphia—were selected during the [FY23 BRIC national competition](#) for projects enhancing community climate resilience.

Crisfield was selected for a \$36 million flood control project that will improve flood protection, stormwater management, and wetland health. Philadelphia was selected for a \$2 million project that will install a flood barrier in Eastwick.

Below lists communities and Tribal Nations that have participated in non-financial BRIC Direct Technical Assistance and were selected the most recent BRIC application cycle. The funding for these selections came from state allocations, tribal set-aside, the building codes set-aside and the national competition. In the federal cost share column, this represents a 75-90% of the total project costs.

State	Participating Tribal Nation or Community	Project Activity or Title	Entry Year	Federal Cost Share
Alabama	City of Birmingham	City of Birmingham Shuttlesworth Project Scoping	2021	\$178,280
Alaska	Native Village of Kwigillingok,	Project Scoping for Potential Relocation Site of the Native Village of Kwigillingok	2022	\$1,465,058
Arizona	Havasupai Tribe	Flood Warning System and Siren	2022	\$933,620



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California	City of Modesto	BRIC 2023 City of Modesto - Flood Risk Reduction Feasibility Study Scoping Project	2021	\$476,299
California	Morongo Band of Mission Indians	San Gorgonio – Hathaway Creek Crossings Mitigation Project	2020	\$1,917,118
Idaho	City of Kamiah	Kamiah Wildfire Mitigation Phased Project	2020	\$860,915
Kansas	Prairie Band Potawatomi Nation	Prairie Band Potawatomi Nation Safe Room Design Plan	2022	\$1,392,305
Louisiana	St. John The Baptist Parish Council	St. John the Baptist BRIC 2023 Storm Water Drainage and Conveyance Project Scoping	2021	\$217,004
Maine	Town of Tremont	Town of Tremont - Wharf	2021	\$75,003
Maine	Town of Tremont	FY23 BRIC – Crockett Point Road Improvements Scoping Application	2021	\$71,214
Maine	Town of Tremont	FY23 BRIC – Steamboat Road Shoreline Stabilization Scoping Application	2021	\$118,923



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Maine	Town of Tremont	FY23 BRIC – Cape Road Shoreline Stabilization Scoping Application	2021	\$200,337
Maryland	City of Crisfield	Southern Crisfield Flood Mitigation Project - BRIC	2021	\$36,210,467
Michigan	Keweenaw Bay Indian Community	Bucks Marina Project	2021	\$414,916
New Jersey	Commercial Township	BRIC Commercial Township Building Codes Project	2022	\$104,005
Pennsylvania	City of Philadelphia (Eastwick)	Eastwick Near-Term Flood Barrier Project 2023 BRIC	2021	\$2,124,340
South Dakota	Oglala Sioux Tribe of Pine Ridge Indian Reservation	BIA Route 26 Improvement Project and Transportation Planning for Emergency Management	2022	\$311,389
South Dakota	Oglala Sioux Tribe of Pine Ridge Indian Reservation	BIA Route 27 Embankment Stabilization	2022	\$1,799,721
Wisconsin	Oneida Nation	Oneida Nation Pre-Disaster Mitigation Plan 2025-2030	2022	\$44,447

For a full list of selected communities from 2021 to present, visit [FEMA.gov](https://www.fema.gov).



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