FEMA Provides an Additional \$3.7 Million to Denver for Covid-19 Response

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Denver - The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) has approved \$3.7 million in additional funding for COVID-19 response efforts in the City and County of Denver. This is in addition to \$57 million that Denver received earlier through an expedited process. To date, FEMA has paid more than \$405.5 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 \$3.7 million was provided to Denver for emergency protective measures utilizing force account, contract services, and materials costs to open and operate vaccination sites for administering COVID-19 vaccinations. Costs may include, but are not limited to, person protective equipment, equipment and supplies required for storing, handling, distributing and transporting, and administering the COVID-19 vaccines, facility support costs, and onsite infection control measures.

All work for this project falls between Jan. 18, and April 18, 2021. Funding for this project is authorized under Section 403 of the Robert T. Stafford Act.

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

