

FEMA Provides \$16.3 Million to Michigan for COVID-19 Response

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CHICAGO – The U.S. Department of Homeland Security's Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and Michigan State Police, Emergency Management and Homeland Security Division announced today that \$16,391,100 in federal funding has been made available to the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services for costs related to their COVID-19 response under the federal disaster declaration of March 27, 2020.

This funding reimbursed the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services for costs to conduct COVID-19 testing and reporting for inmates, prison staff, and visitors at the Michigan Department of Corrections statewide facilities. The grant also included costs to conduct statewide COVID-19 testing for residential care facilities, including long-term care facilities.

"Testing has played a vital role in stopping the spread of this virus," said Kevin M. Sligh, acting regional administrator, FEMA Region 5. "In support of our partners in Michigan, FEMA remains committed to helping ensure the availability of critical support services to combat COVID-19 in the state."

"COVID-19 testing and reporting has been a key component in controlling the spread of the virus," said Capt. Kevin Sweeney, deputy state director of Emergency Management and commander of the Emergency Management and Homeland Security Division. "We appreciate our federal partners supporting our pandemic response efforts."

FEMA provides funding at a 100 percent federal share of eligible reimbursable expenses for this project.

FEMA's Public Assistance Program provides funding to local government jurisdictions and eligible private non-profits for the repair, replacement, or restoration of disaster-damaged infrastructure as well as costs incurred for emergency actions taken to protect lives or property. To learn more, visit FEMA's



website at www.fema.gov/public-assistance-local-state-tribal-and-non-profit. For more information about FEMA's COVID-19 vaccine support efforts, visit www.fema.gov/disasters/coronavirus/vaccine-support.

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