

# FEMA Provides \$5.9M to Group Health Cooperative of South Central Wisconsin

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**CHICAGO** – The U.S. Department of Homeland Security's Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and Wisconsin Emergency Management (WEM) announced today that \$5,920,539 in federal funding has been made available to Group Health Cooperative of South Central Wisconsin (GHC-SCW) for costs related to the state's response to severe weather and flooding under the October 18, 2018, federal disaster declaration.

Severe storms with heavy and wind-driven rain caused flood damage to the GHC-SCW's Sauk Trails Clinic building. FEMA grant funding will reimburse GHC-SCW for costs to replace damaged contents, restore the building to pre-disaster design, function, and capacity and construct a new single-story wing. The grant also includes costs to elevate electrical and elevator panels and other mechanicals to the first floor and floodproof the first-floor conduit and air openings.

"FEMA's Public Assistance program is an important resource for state and local governments, jurisdictions, and eligible private non-profits after a disaster," said Moises Dugan, acting regional administrator, FEMA Region 5. "This grant funding will not only reimburse Group Health Cooperative of South Central Wisconsin for the costs to repair their building, but it will fund efforts to help protect it from future disaster-related damage."

"Part of recovering from disasters also means ensuring critical infrastructure is protected from similar threats in the future," said Wisconsin Emergency Management Acting Administrator Greg Engle. "We are thankful to FEMA for their assistance in helping to restore a valuable community resource and making it more resilient."

FEMA provides a 75% federal share of eligible reimbursable expenses for this project. The eligible cost for this project is \$7,894,052. The remaining 25% will be paid by WEM and GHC-SCW.



FEMA's Public Assistance Program provides funding to state and local governments, 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](http://www.fema.gov/public-assistance-local-state-tribal-and-non-profit).

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