FEMA FUNDING
AFTER A DISASTER
How do I access the money?
Program Purpose

To repair or replace damaged --

– Government owned facilities
– Private Not for Profit organization owned facilities that provide essential services of a government nature

--to pre-disaster condition

OTHER FEDERAL AGENCY PROGRAMS

• FEMA will not provide assistance when another federal agency has specific authority to restore facilities damaged by a major disaster.
• FHWS Disaster Declaration may impact debris removal.
• FHWS Roads are not eligible.
INSURANCE

• Actual or anticipated insurance recoveries are deducted from otherwise eligible costs

Eligible Work Categories

• A - Debris Removal
• B - Emergency Protective Measures
• C - Roads and Bridges
• D - Water Control Facilities
• E - Buildings and Equipment
• F - Utilities
• G - Parks, Recreational Facilities, Other
Emergency Work Eligible Costs

• Over Time Only
• All Materials used
• All Equipment time
• Rental Equipment
• Reasonable Contract Costs following State/FEMA Bid Procedures

Permanent Work Eligible Costs

• Force Account
  • Regular and Overtime
• Equipment
• Materials
• Rental Equipment
• Reasonable Contract Costs following State/FEMA Bid Procedures
Damage Assessment is the KEY to FEMA Funding

PRE-PLANNING FOR DAMAGE ASSESSMENT

- Make the task of damage documentation collection a priority
- Designate a damage documentation coordinator for each department
- Implement a system to collect damage documentation
- Collect disaster documentation as it is turned in
- Keep documentation separate from day to day operations
RESULT OF DAMAGE ASSESSMENT

Cost (dollar value) to bring back to PRE-DISASTER CONDITION any eligible damage in county caused during or immediately after the disaster event

WHY?
State must have dollar value of eligible damage…..

- Damage costs must be submitted within 15-20 days of the event SO
- State can submit costs to FEMA BEFORE requesting a JPDA –
- State must request disaster within 30 days
- FEMA will not do a JPDA on a County to verify damage unless County meets their County Threshold of damage costs
- This year that is the population X factor 3.28
IGMS ONLINE COLLECTION

- NEW METHOD OF COLLECTION DATA
- APPLICANT ORIENTATED
- EMA DIRECTOR TO ASSIGN PIN NUMBER TO APPLICANT
- EMA DIRECTOR CAN MONITOR COUNTY DAMAGE ASSESSMENT TOTALS

EXAMPLE OF IGMS
JOINT PRELIMINARY DAMAGE ASSESSMENT

APPLICANT SHOULD HAVE:

- Clearly identified damage sites on a good map
- Identified each site by location and damages
- Provided a narrative of the damages
- Estimated the cost of repair
- Retained worksheets for FEMA inspection

BEFORE FEMA ARRIVES

JOINT PRELIMINARY DAMAGE ASSESSMENT – SHOW FEMA

- **WORST SITE 1ST VISIT**
- **NEXT WORST 2ND, ETC.**
- GROUP SIMILAR SITES
  - EX: 20 CULVERS WASHED OUT
  - EX: COUNTYWIDE-DISTANCE/WIDTH GRAVEL REPLACEMENT OR DITCHING

- THE COST OF EACH SITE SEPARATELY
  - LABOR
  - MATERIALS
  - EQUIPMENT (FEMA RATES)
  - RENTAL EQUIPMENT
  - CONTRACTS
DOCUMENTATION NEEDED FOR PROJECT WORKSHEET
(AFTER DECLARATION)

• All disaster costs/estimates must be supported by documentation
  – Spreadsheets
  – Estimates and Proposals with scope of work
  – Timesheets for personnel
  – Equipment use records
  – Invoices for materials

QUESTIONS?