



NC Department of Public Safety  
EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

Roy Cooper, Governor

Eddie M. Buffaloe Jr., Secretary  
William C. Ray, Director

**MEMORANDUM**

**To: Chairs of the House Appropriations Committee on Justice and Public Safety  
Chairs of the Senate Appropriations Committee on Justice and Public Safety  
Fiscal Research Division**

**From: Eddie M. Buffaloe, Jr., Secretary** *EMB*  
**William C. Ray, Director** *WR*

**Re: Competitive Emergency Management Grants**

**Date: April 1, 2024**

**Competitive Emergency Management Grants**

[SL 2021-180](#), Section 19E.5.(a); Joint Conference Committee Report on the Current Operations Appropriations Act of 2021, number 149 on page 422.

The purpose of this program is to provide competitive grants to county emergency management agencies to ensure local emergency management offices are adequately equipped, trained, and prepared for all hazards and emergencies. Grant funds shall only be awarded to county emergency management agencies located in counties with a population of 210,000 or fewer, based upon the 2019 Certified County Population Estimates from the State Demographer (OSBM).

**Responsible Department and Agency**

Department of Public Safety, Division of Emergency Management (NCEM)

**Funding Allocation Update**

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|---------------------|---|
| Appropriated        | \$8,000,000.00 (\$3,000,000.00 in FY22, \$5,000,000.00 in FY23) |
| Expended            | \$2,477,938.01 (\$2,269,467.28 for FY22, \$208,470.73 for FY23) |
| Obligated           | \$8,000,000 (grant agreements executed with counties)           |
| Unobligated Balance | \$0   |

**Summary of Activities**



NCEM established the Capacity Building Competitive Grant Program to implement this appropriation. The Notice of Funding Opportunity was published February 01, 2022, and an application period for the first round of funding (FY22 CBCG) was open from February 16, 2022 - April 15, 2022.

FY22 CBCG applications were received for 103 projects (counties were allowed to submit up to three projects each) and evaluated and scored by a multi-agency review committee. 24 projects in 15 counties were selected for funding. Grant awards were announced on June 01, 2022. Awardees are executing their projects, and requests for reimbursement have been processed for \$2,269,467.28 of the \$3M appropriation for FY22 CBCG as of 4/1/2024.

NCEM published the Notice of Funding Opportunity for the second round of funding (FY23 CBCG) in February 2023. Applications were received for 71 projects (counties were allowed to submit up to two projects each) and evaluated and scored by a multi-agency review committee. 37 projects in 28 counties were selected for funding. Grant awards were announced on June 16, 2023. Awardees are executing their projects, and requests for reimbursement have been processed for \$208,470.73 of the \$5M appropriation for FY23 CBCG as of 4/1/2024.

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### **Competitive Emergency Management Grants**

NC Appropriations Act of 2023, [Session Law 2023-134](#), Section 19I.2.(a), page 507; [Joint Conference Committee Report on the Current Operations Appropriations Act of 2023](#), number 79 on page E39.

The purpose of this program is to provide competitive grants to county emergency management agencies to ensure local emergency management offices are adequately equipped, trained, and prepared for all hazards and emergencies. Grant funds shall only be awarded to county emergency management agencies located in counties with a population of 230,000 or fewer, based upon the 2021 Certified County Population Estimates from the State Demographer (OSBM).

### **Responsible Department and Agency**

Department of Public Safety, Division of Emergency Management (NCEM)

### **Funding Allocation Update**

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|---------------------|----------------|
| Appropriated        | \$1,925,578.00 |
| Expended            | \$ 0.00        |
| Obligated           | \$0.00         |
| Unobligated Balance | \$1,925,578.00 |

### **Summary of Activities**

NCEM published the Notice of Funding Opportunity for the third round of funding (FY24 CBCG) in January 2024 with an application period open January 30, 2024 - March 06, 2024. Applications were received for 53 projects (counties were allowed to submit one project). Project applications are currently being evaluated and scored by a multi-agency review committee. Grant awards are expected to be announced in June 2024.

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