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Overview | Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) & Resilience

BIL is a historic investment in the resiliency of infrastructure across all sectors. Funding Through BIL makes our communities safer and our infrastructure more resilient to the impacts of climate change, cyber-attacks, droughts, heat, floods, and wildfires. The legislation is the largest investment in the resilience of physical and natural systems in American history.

Resilience-related funding opportunities vary significantly by program.

Deep Dive | Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities (BRIC)

Summary: The Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities (BRIC) grant program makes federal funds available for hazard mitigation activities. It does so with a recognition of the growing hazards associated with climate change, and of the need for natural hazard risk mitigation activities that promote climate adaptation and resilience with respect to those hazards. These include both acute extreme weather events and chronic stressors which have been observed and are expected to increase in intensity and frequency in the future. Eligible projects may include Capability and Capacity-Building activities, Hazard Mitigation Projects, and Management Costs.

Eligible Applicants:

- State governments
- Federally recognized tribal governments
- U.S. territories
- District of Columbia

Program Funding: A total of \$1 billion is available to support awards through this program. See NOFO for State and Tribal set-asides, and National competition funding amounts.

Match: 25% of the total project costs via cash and/or in-kind contributions.

The match requirement for this program is eligible for application through the Build Kansas Fund.

Deep Dive | Flood Mitigation Assistance (FMA)

Summary: This program is to reduce or eliminate the risk of repetitive flood damage to buildings and structures insured under the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) and within NFIP-participating communities. KDEM / FEMA recognizes the growing flood hazards associated with climate change and of the need for flood hazard risk mitigation activities that promote climate adaptation, equity, and resilience with respect to flooding. Project eligibility includes Capability and Capacity-Building Activities, Localized Flood Risk Reduction Projects, and Individual Flood Mitigation Projects.

Eligible Applicants:

• State governments (KDEM Passthrough opportunity)

Program Funding: A total of \$800 million is available to support an estimated 40 awards and 725 subawards through this program.

- Capability and Capacity Building Activities subtotal: \$60,000,000
- Localized Flood Risk Reduction Projects subtotal: \$520,000,000
- Individual Flood Mitigation Projects subtotal: \$220,000,000

Match: 25% of the total eligible project costs via nonfederal matching contributions.

The match requirement for this program is eligible for application through the Build Kansas Fund.

Overview | Kansas Division of Emergency Management (KDEM)

KDEM is responsible for coordinating the state's response to natural and man-made disasters and operates under the Kansas Adjutant General's Department. The agency works closely with local, state, and federal agencies to ensure effective disaster preparedness, response, recovery, and mitigation efforts.

The Agency recently joined the Kansas Infrastructure Hub as a Subcabinet member. Resiliency is one of the sectors the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) funding focuses on, therefore, it only makes sense that KDEM is a partner in the state's efforts to bring more formula and discretionary funding and partnerships throughout the state. KDEM has awarded nearly \$6M through the Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities (BRIC) program since 2021.



How to Apply

KDEM uses an annual Notice of Intent (NOI) electronic submission form. Projects eligible for funding under the current guidance and policy, should be submitted annually to be considered for the next fiscal year opportunity and any post disaster funds available until March 1 of the following year. (*Direct link to ArcGIS form : <u>https://arcg.is/1ebimi%60</u>)*

Post-Disaster Funds

For post-disaster funds or post Fire Management Assistance Grant (FMAG), priority is given to counties identified in the disaster declaration with projects mitigating the reason for the federal declaration. Only those jurisdictions identified in the disaster declaration will receive a NOFO from KDEM. If there are no eligible projects received for jurisdictions identified, projects received through the annual NOI process will then be awarded.

Sub-Applicant Guidance

Applicants should review the current Hazard Mitigation Assistance Guide (HMA) and each respective NOFO, to ensure the project is currently eligible for funding. While there may be guidance or NOFO changes each year, it is anticipated that no significant changes will occur from year to year. If there are significant changes, a notification will be disseminated, and a new solicitation of projects may be requested.



Sub-Application Considerations

- With NO exceptions, the sub applicant MUST have an approved and adopted mitigation plan. Potential applicants should contact their county emergency manager to check the status.
- Sub-Applicants must meet the minimum 25% non-federal share unless eligible for 10% cost share. In kind can be used towards cost share.
- Community Disaster Resilience Zones (CDRZ) may qualify for a 90% federal cost share 10% non-federal cost share.
- Build Kansas Funds can be used to provide matching dollars for Federal grants under the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL)

Project Eligibility

 Project eligibility information can be found using the links located on the KDEM Mitigation webpage <u>Hazard</u> <u>Mitigation Assistance | Kansas Adjutant General's Department, KS (kansastag.gov)</u>



Deadline

The deadline for the first annual solicitation of projects is by 11:59PM CST on June 30, 2024. If the project is selected, additional information and a full FEMA application will be requested.

Proposed Project Submission

Submit Notice of Intent using the ArcGIS Link: <u>KDEM 2024 Mitigation Project Solicitation</u> Only submit one entry <u>per project per year.</u>

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Questions?