



Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities (BRIC) Grant Program

Agency	U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), Resilience, Hazard Mitigation Directorate, Hazard Mitigation Assistance Division (HMA)
Program Description	The Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities (BRIC) grant program makes federal funds available for hazard mitigation activities with the goal of lowering future disaster costs. It does so with a recognition of the need to upgrade and modernize the nation’s infrastructure against natural weather disasters, and of the need for natural hazard risk mitigation activities and resilience with respect to those hazards.
Application Due	July 23, 2026
Total Funding	\$1,000,000,000 total.

- **State/Territory Allocation:** \$112,000,000 (max \$2,000,000 per applicant).
- **Tribal Set-Aside:** \$50,000,000 (max \$2,000,000 per applicant for capability-building; remaining tribal hazard mitigation projects roll into National Competition if total exceeds \$50,000,000).
- **State/Territory Building Code Plus-Up:** \$56,000,000 pool (max \$1,000,000 per applicant; building code activities only).
- **Tribal Building Code Plus-Up:** \$25,000,000 pool (building code activities only).
- **National Competition:** \$757,000,000 (max \$20,000,000 per project).
- **Overall cap:** an applicant may not receive more than 15% of the total available funding across all categories combined.

Award Amount	NA
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- Local Match:
- 75% federal and 25% non-federal.
 - 90% federal and 10% non-federal for small impoverished communities.
 - 100% federal and 0% for insular areas when the non-federal cost share for the entire award is under \$200,000.

- Eligible Applicants
- **Applicants:** States; District of Columbia; U.S. Territories; Federally recognized Tribal Nations. Each designated agency may submit only one BRIC grant application to FEMA.
 - **Subapplicants:** Communities, local governments, cities, townships, counties, special district governments, Tribal Nations (including federally recognized Tribal Nations who choose to apply as subapplicants).

- Eligible Activities/Projects
- **Capability- and Capacity-Building Activities:** activities directly tied to infrastructure, such as building code adoption/enforcement and related technical training. Hazard Mitigation Plan development/updates and project scoping not directly supporting a specific infrastructure project are NOT eligible. Only projects with at least a conceptual design are eligible; phased projects are not eligible.
 - **Hazard Mitigation Projects:** cost-effective infrastructure and construction projects to increase resilience and public safety; reduce injuries, loss of life, and damage to property, critical services, and infrastructure from natural hazards.
 - **Management Costs:** up to 5% of subapplication budget (subrecipient); up to 10% of application budget inclusive of subapplicant management costs (recipient). Federal cost share for Recipient Management Costs: 100%. Ineligible: new construction extending gas/utility service to new areas; transmission line projects; phased projects; activities without conceptual design.

- Review Criteria
- **National Competition Evaluation Criteria (scored):** (1) Infrastructure Project Construction Readiness. (2) New Applicant or Subapplicant. (3) Building Code Adoption and Enforcement. (4) Small Impoverished Community. (5) Risk Reduction. (6) Implementation Measures.
 - **Threshold Criteria (pass/fail):** eligibility of applicant and subapplicant; eligibility of proposed activities and costs; complete Scope of Work; cost-effectiveness (BCA); technical feasibility; line-item budget; non-federal cost share availability; consistency with Administration and Agency priorities; consistency with approved State/Local/Tribal Hazard Mitigation Plan.

Link: <https://www.fema.gov/grants/mitigation/building-resilient-infrastructure-communities>

Application Submission: All applicants must submit a BRIC grant application via FEMA GO by the application deadline to be considered for funding. Applications are processed through FEMA GO at <https://go.fema.gov/>. Required steps: (1) Obtain UEI number and EIN; (2) Create login.gov account; (3) Register/update active SAM account; (4) Register in FEMA GO and establish AOR; (5) Submit complete application in FEMA GO.

BAC Partnership Opportunity

- The Build America Center (BAC) is a technical assistance program funded by the USDOT, offering grant development services to localities at **NO CHARGE**. For more information, please visit our websites: <https://bac.umd.edu/> and <https://billlaunchpad.com/>

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