## **2021 Hazard Mitigation Funding Opportunities**

**Flood Resilient Communities Fund (FRCF)** was established by the Vermont Legislature under Act 74 with the intent of improving landscape and community resilience and reducing the future public safety and water quality impacts of flood hazards in Vermont, focusing on buyouts of flood-vulnerable properties. This program will prioritize projects that are not eligible for FEMA funding. Available funding is **$4.6 million** in fiscal year 2022. **Round one** of applications will be due **October 29, 2021** and round two **January 31, 2022. NOTE:** 100% funding will be available for buyout projects with no match requirement.

**Building Resilient Infrastructure and Committees (BRIC)** grant program to states and local communities for mitigation activities. The funding available **is $1,000,000** for federal share set-aside for Vermont with up to **$500,000 available for planning activities**. Funding can be used for **Project Scoping** to project implementation. Up to **$50 million** is available per sub-application **for nationally competitive mitigation projects**. The application period **opens September 30, 2021** with a state deadline of **Friday, December 17, 2021.**

**Flood Mitigation Assistance (FMA)** grant program funds states, local communities, tribes, and territories to reduce or eliminate the risk of repetitive flood damage to buildings and structures insured under the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP). Up to **$900,000** is available per State for **Project Scoping** to develop community flood mitigation projects that reduce future NFIP flood claims. Up to **$70 million** can be applied for per sub-applicant for **Community Flood Mitigation Projects** to address community flood risk to reduce future NFIP flood claims. The application period **opens September 30, 2021** with a state deadline of **Friday, December 17, 2021.**

**Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP)** funding is opening for the major disaster declared for the COVID-19 pandemic. President Biden has authorized FEMA to provide the State of Vermont funding through the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP) with a contribution of **$13.4 million**. Applications will be accepted on a rolling basis with a likely deadline in the **summer of 2022**, more information coming soon.

To find out more, visit: [vem.vermont.gov/funding/mitigation](https://vem.vermont.gov/funding/mitigation). Questions can be directed to: [DPS.HazardMitigation@vermont.gov](mailto:DPS.HazardMitigation@vermont.gov).

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