# National Disaster Recovery Program Database (NDRPD) Version 2.0

### **Executive Summary**

With the development of the National Disaster Recovery Framework (NDRF), FEMA worked to create systems that can supplement, and not replace, current and ongoing community planning and recovery efforts. To support this effort, FEMA developed a web-based tool, the National Disaster Recovery Program Database (NDRPD), which provides data on different programs to help communities prepare for, respond to, and rebuild after a disaster. The NDRPD serves as a central location for State, Local, Tribal, and Territorial (SLTT) governments and emergency managers to view and research disaster-related programs sponsored by various levels of government and for-profit, non-profit, and charitable organizations. Unlike other systems, the NDRPD is not a resource tracker, but is a posting board of government, charitable, or voluntary programs that show a high level view of what each sponsor can offer. We still urge all viewers to contact the program sponsors to apply for each of the programs listed.

On the NDRPD users can sort though the different search criteria to find programs from specific agencies, resources (such as financial, housing, material, personnel, and services), eligibility criteria, states, or beneficiaries. Once the user clicks on the link attached to the program, they will be able to view a detailed description, Catalogue of Federal Domestic Assistance program number (if applicable), and instructions on how to access the programs' websites for application details. The newest version will also provide faster search speeds, expanded information on Excel reports, and other features that improve usability.

In order to ensure the information in the database is as comprehensive and as up to date as possible, entities that have been granted rights to the site will be able to make updates directly on the website. FEMA will work with Federal and state/tribal/territorial government, for-profit, non-profit and charitable organization partners to designate and train a point of contact who will be granted "submitter" rights. Submitter rights allow entities to enter, update, and maintain program information. Additionally, if no updates to a program are made within a year, the entry for the program will be archived and taken off the live site, preventing outdated data from remaining on the site. Individuals with submitter rights will automatically receive an email prior to any program being archived with instructions to review and reapprove, update, or deactivate programs. To request submitter rights, please send an email with information on your program to NDHTF@DHS.gov. Once the program is reviewed and approved, the requester will receive a user guide with instructions on how to manually submit and manage programs on the site. Please note that these programs should be related to response, recovery or mitigation and the NDHTF reserves the right to not post programs if they are determined to be unrelated to the mission of the database.

Although the program information on this site is available for anyone to view, it designed for State/Local/Tribal governments and emergency managers. The database's programs are not intended for individual applicants. We urge individuals and families to visit <u>www.disasterassistance.gov</u> to find and apply for individual assistance related to disaster recovery.

The database is currently posted on the publically accessible FEMA National Disaster Recovery Program Database Website <u>http://www.fema.gov/ndrpd</u>

#### Background

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## **Talking Points**

- As part of FEMA's commitment to the emergency management community, the NDHTF, in conjunction with program coordinators from the National Disaster Recovery Framework (NDRF), developed the National Disaster Recovery Program Database (NDRPD) to provide easy access to information on available disaster programs.
- The NDRPD is a central location for government officials and emergency managers to view and research response, recovery, and mitigation programs sponsored by Federal, State, Tribal and Territorial governments, private sector, and non-governmental organizations.
- Features in the Version 2 release include faster speed search results, hyperlinks to programs, check boxes to select multiple programs, along with a new page design and a helpful page for links to additional resources.
- The database is another tool in the toolbox for SLTT officials and emergency managers and is intended to supplement, not replace, current and ongoing community planning and recovery efforts.
- The NDRPD is not a resource tracker, but is a posting board that programs can use to show what resources they can offer. We urge all users to contact the program sponsors to find out the exact amount of resources that are available to them.
- FEMA will work with Federal and State governments and for-profit, non-profit, and charitable
  organizations partners to designate and train a point of contact who will be granted "submitter"
  rights. Because programs are added and maintained by the sponsoring organization, not every
  available program is included in the database. Users are urged to work with their response and
  recovery planners to seek additional resources.

- The programs in the NDRPD are sponsored by government, charitable, or voluntary entities and must be free of commercial use and may not endorse a product or service. Any businesses looking to offer/sell a good or service should be directed to the Information for Contractors and Vendors page at www.fema.gov/business/contractor. They may also contact the FEMA Industry Liaison by e-mailing FEMA-Industry@dhs.gov or calling (202) 646-1895.
- The database currently includes several hundred program entries and will improve the visibility of disaster programs, and through multi-select menus, enable communities to focus on disaster programs best suited to their needs.
- The NDRPD provides descriptions and information on programs, including eligibility requirements, points of contact, web site addresses, and the Catalogue of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) program numbers for Federal programs.
- While the web tool is accessible by the public, information provided is not for individual applicants who are seeking disaster assistance. Rather, the information is intended as a resource for SLTT emergency managers, decision-making officials, and organizations that plan for and provide assistance to their jurisdictions
- FEMA will continue to urge individuals and families to visit <u>www.disasterassistance.gov</u> to find information about disaster relief programs and how to apply for individual assistance related to disaster recovery.
- To ensure the information in the database is as comprehensive and as up-to-date as possible, sponsoring organizations will be granted a "submitter" account and will be able to make updates or deactivate programs that are no longer available at any time. Additionally, if a program is not reviewed or updated for a year, the program will automatically sunset and be removed from the site. A reminder email will be sent to the submitter 30 days prior to the automatic removal date.
- The database, and user guides, is currently posted on the publically accessible FEMA National Disaster Recovery Program Database Website <a href="http://www.fema.gov/ndrpd">http://www.fema.gov/ndrpd</a>.

#### **Posting Policy**

Organizations are welcome to post and update information on their programs to help State, Local, Tribal, and Territorial (SLTT) officials find and apply for them. However, this is a moderated forum. This means that FEMA will be performing a review of all posts and will remove any listings that do not comply with our guidance. To be included in this resource programs must meet the following criteria:

- Programs must be free of commercial use and may not endorse a product or service.
- Programs must not discriminate against applicants
- Programs must be intended for applications from SLTT and community governments.
- Programs must be related to preparing for, protecting against, responding to and recovering from disasters.
- Programs must be available to assist areas impacted by disaster.
- Programs must be geared towards key sectors of recovery/development (ex. Education, Infrastructure, Housing, Community Capacity Building, Health Services, Historic & Cultural, Public Service, Environmental, Flood Plain Management & Mitigation)
- Programs must not charge for assistance.

In addition to a review for programmatic requirements all postings will be reviewed for appropriate content. Posts that are off-topic, include abusive or vulgar language, spam, hate speech, personal attacks, personal details such as: a FEMA case number or social security number, advertisements or endorsements of products, or similar content will not be posted on this site. We reserve the right to determine which postings are acceptable for this page. If your post was not accepted or if you have questions about the criteria please contact us at: NDHTF@dhs.gov

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