






Regional Catastrophic Preparedness Grant Program (RCPGP)

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The FY 2009 Regional Catastrophic Preparedness Grant Program (RCPGP) builds on the goals of several initiatives. The National Academy for Public Administration described emergency preparedness planning as the “*Achilles Heel of homeland security.*” Homeland security is highly distributed, and depends on State and local governments for the majority of the Nation’s security and resilience resources. There is increased reliance on the quality and currency of plans and collaborative planning.

The RCPGP goal is to ensure that planning practices are not outmoded and encumbered by hierarchical, compartmentalized processes that inhibit networking, interaction and collaboration. RCPGP must also ensure that planning cycles are not too long and inflexible to keep up with rapidly changing requirements and that authoritative data is not stove piped and is readily accessible to planners. Finally, to must ensure that the best possible approaches are in place that allow not only integrated planning processes across all levels of government but also to be able to synchronize the plans in a way that maximizes capabilities across all mission areas.

-  **Available Funding: \$34,002,500**
 -  **Application Deadline: March 20, 2009 no later than 11:59 PM EDT**
 -  **Period of Performance: 24 months**
 -  **Matching Requirement: 25% Cash, Cost share or In-kind**
 -  **Eligibility: State Administrative Agency (SAA) for the core site**
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Funding Priorities:

- ✚ Ensure the integration of planning and synchronization of plans through the use of national planning systems and tools
- ✚ Share best practices in support of a robust national planning community
- ✚ Implement citizen and community preparedness campaigns with a focus on educating citizens about catastrophic events and the necessary steps for preparedness
- ✚ Planning for and pre-positioning of needed commodities and equipment
- ✚ Implement the principles and processes identified in CPG-1017 for the development of plans consistent with the Integrated Planning System
- ✚ Address shortcomings in existing plans and processes

Funding Allocation:

- ◆ All 7 Tier I and 4 Tier II I UASI's jurisdictions

Table 1 – FY 2009 Tier 1 RCPGP Allocations

Tier 1 RCPGP Site ¹¹	Associated UASI Urban Area	FY 2009 Allocation
Bay Area (to include 11 counties and 23 principal cities spanning central western CA)	Bay Urban Area	\$3,617,000
Chicago Area (to include 16 counties and 15 principal cities spanning northeastern IL, northwestern IN, and southeastern WI)	Chicago Urban Area	\$3,617,000
Houston Area (to include 13 counties and 6 principal cities in eastern TX, as defined for the FY 2008 grant cycle)	Houston Urban Area	\$3,617,000
Los Angeles / Long Beach Area (to include 5 counties and 38 principal cities spanning southwestern CA)	Los Angeles/ Long Beach Urban Area	\$3,617,000
National Capital Region (to include 26 counties and 16 principal cities spanning Washington, D.C., northern VA, central and southern MD, eastern WV, and representatives from DE and PA)	National Capital Region Urban Area	\$3,617,000
New York City / Northern New Jersey Area (to include 30 counties and 21 principal cities that span eastern CT, northern NJ, southeastern NY, and northeastern PA) ¹²	New York City Urban Area	\$3,617,000
	Jersey City/ Newark Urban Area	\$3,617,000

Table 2 – FY 2009 Tier 2 RCPGP Allocations

Tier 2 RCPGP Site ¹³	Associated UASI Urban Area	FY 2009 Allocation
Boston Area (to include 17 counties and 17 principal cities spanning most of eastern MA, southern NH, and all of RI)	Boston Urban Area	\$1,420,875
Honolulu Area (to include the four counties of HI, including the principal city of Honolulu)	Honolulu Urban Area	\$1,420,875
Norfolk Area (to include 15 counties and 9 principal cities, as defined for the FY 2008 grant cycle, spanning central eastern and southeastern VA as well as northeastern NC)	Norfolk Urban Area	\$1,420,875
Seattle Area (to include 7 counties and 11 principal cities spanning central WA)	Seattle Urban Area	\$1,420,875

Specific deliverables related to program objectives:

- ✚ Fix Shortcomings in Existing Plans
- ✚ Build Regional Planning Process and Planning Communities
- ✚ Link Operational and Capabilities-Based Planning for Resource Allocation

Allowable Costs:

- ✚ Planning
- ✚ Personnel
- ✚ Critical Emergency Supplies

How to Apply:

DO NOT WAIT. We *strongly recommend* that you do not wait until the application deadline date to begin the application process. Contact your SAA to understand how projects are identified. Follow *all* of your State's processes so your project will be considered for funding

Web Links:

1. Regional Catastrophic Preparedness Grant Program (RCPGP) Announcement:
<http://www.fema.gov/government/grant/rcp/index.shtm>
2. Regional Catastrophic Preparedness Grant Program (RCPGP) Guidance & Application Kit:
http://www.fema.gov/pdf/government/grant/rcp/fy09_rcpgp_guidance.pdf
3. Regional Catastrophic Preparedness Grant Program (RCPGP) FAQ's:
http://www.fema.gov/doc/government/grant/rcp/fy09_rcpgp_faq.doc
4. Regional Catastrophic Preparedness Grant Program (RCPGP) Investment Justification Template:
http://www.fema.gov/doc/government/grant/rcp/fy09_rcpgp_ij_template.doc
5. Link to State Administrative Agency (SAA) Map:
<http://www.dhs.gov/xgovt/grants/index.shtm>