

FEMA Announces \$11.4 Million for States and Territories to Address Critical Dam Infrastructure

Dams are a critical part of the nation's infrastructure. Today, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) published a funding opportunity for states and territories to make dams safer across the nation. FEMA empowers community leaders to take critical steps to rehabilitate dams that do not meet minimum dam safety standards. The application period is open from August 5 - August 31, 2026.

This funding is available through FEMA's Rehabilitation of High Hazard Potential Dams grant program. This program empowers states and territories to repair, replace, reconstruct or remove dams that put people and property at risk. Because many American communities rely on dams to prevent catastrophic flooding, this grant program is critical for disaster mitigation and prevention.

The Rehabilitation of High Hazard Potential Dams grant program is one of FEMA's mitigation grant programs. These programs enable state, local, tribal and territorial governments to take decisive, proactive steps to protect their communities from potential disasters like fires, floods, earthquakes and hurricanes. When done correctly, mitigation measures protect private property, strengthen infrastructure, reduce the cost of future disasters and—most importantly—save lives.

The Fiscal Year 2026 Rehabilitation of High Hazard Potential Dams grant program is open to non-federal governments, as well as nonprofit organizations. Funding may be used to rehabilitate non-federal dams that are classified as high hazard potential by their state or territory's dam safety program. Dams must also be located within communities that participate in the National Flood Insurance Program. The application period opens on August 5, 2026, and closes on August 31, 2026.

For more information on the funding opportunity, review the full Notice of Funding Opportunity on [Grants.gov](https://www.grants.gov). Additional information about the National Dam Safety Program is available on [FEMA.gov](https://www.fema.gov).

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