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# North Carolina Emergency Management Hazardous Materials Grants Overview

### FY22 Hazardous Materials Emergency Preparedness Program (HMEP)

## **Purpose:**

The HMEP grant program was established in 1990 by the Hazardous Materials Transportation Uniform Safety Act. In 1993, PHMSA began issuing grants to assist States, Territories, and Native American Tribes to "develop, improve, and carry out emergency plans" within the National Response System and the Emergency Planning and Community Right-To-Know Act of 1986. The HMEP grant program is designed to allow grantees the flexibility to implement training and planning programs that address differing needs for each location based on demographics, emergency response capabilities, commodity flow studies, and hazard analysis.

#### **Grant Amount:**

Variable based on current year USDOT HMEP grant anticipated funds award.

#### Associated Deadlines:

1. Application period (90 days):	October 1, 2021 – December 31, 2021
2. Grant Period of Performance (1 year):	October 1, 2022 – September 30, 2023
3. Anticipated U.S. DOT award:	September 30, 2022
4. Award letter and MOA distributed to sub-recipients:	October 30, 2022
5. Period of Performance Completion Reminder:	August 30, 2023
6. Final cost report due:	October 30, 2022

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### **Eligible Project Activity:**

- 1. Hazardous Materials Transportation Planning
  - a. Transportation Response Plans
  - b. Commodity Flow Studies
- 2. Hazardous Materials Transportation Training
  - a. Workshops
  - b. Training and exercises
  - c. Specialty transportation training courses
    - i. Chemistry of Hazardous Materials
    - ii. Railcar response courses
    - iii. Tanker response courses
    - iv. Contact NCEM for other suggestions and pre-approvals.
- 3. Equipment (non-operational only and must be a transportation focus)
  - a. Supplies and equipment for HMEP funded exercises and courses.
  - b. Cannot be used for actual response activities.
  - c. Note that equipment purchases must be pre-approved.
  - d. Food purchases must be pre-approved.

## **Ineligible Project Activities:**

- 1. Joint Terrorism Task Force exercises
- 2. Tier II Chemical Inventory Reports
- 3. Fixed facility hazardous materials focused projects
- 4. Weapons of Mass Destruction training
- 5. Drug Lab training
- 6. Active shooter training
- 7. Equipment for response purposes.
- 8. Food for activities if not pre-approved.

Please contact the Grant Point of Contact for pre-approvals and questions.



## FY 2022 Tier II Non-competitive Grant Program (Tier II NC)

## **Purpose:**

Tier II non-competitive grants provide Local Emergency Planning Committees (LEPCs) funding to expand the scope of their hazardous materials emergency preparedness programs though response planning, training and related exercises. All active LEPCs awarded under this program receive non-competitive grant funds from the hazardous materials facility fees collected during the Tier II reporting period. The Tier II non-competitive grants must be used for hazardous materials emergency response planning, training and related exercises, with some conditions and limitations in accordance with the provisions of N.C.G.S. §166A-29.1. Operational equipment is currently ineligible for this grant.

#### **Grant Amount Estimate:**

\$1,000.00 maximum per award, per LEPC jurisdiction covered. If an LEPC provides coverage to more than one jurisdiction, their grant amount will reflect such.

#### **Associated Deadlines:**

1. Application period (90 days):
2. Period of Performance
3. Application period (90 days):
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3. Award letter and MOA distributed: April 1, 2022 (retroactive to January 1, 2022)

4. Period of Performance Completion Reminder: November 30, 20225. Final cost report due: January 30, 2023

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### **Eligible Project Activities:**

The funds awarded under this grant may only be used by your county LEPC or regional LEPC and must fall under one or more of the following categories:

- 1. Supporting costs incurred facilitating LEPC meetings.
- 2. Enhancing LEPC outreach efforts or produce promotional materials through printing or general office supplies.
- 3. Supporting LEPC meetings and collaboration with food and non-alcoholic beverages.
- 4. Hosting or supporting local and regional LEPC conferences.
- 5. Creating or updating hazardous material emergency response plans.
- 6. Supporting local or regional hazardous materials response exercises.
- 7. Supporting purchases of equipment necessary to support the LEPC and its mission.
- 8. Supporting hazardous material risk assessments.
- 9. Subscriptions to hazardous materials related web services (ex: MSDS online, Chemtrac)
- 10. Non-operational equipment to support the LEPC. Please note that all equipment purchases must receive pre-approval from the grant point of contact.

### **Ineligible Project Activities:**

Tier II grants funds may not be used for any of the following items:

- 1. Salaries or benefits for any employee.
- 2. Drone aircraft or unmanned aerial vehicles.
- 3. Items intended as gifts.
- 4. Other support for programs not focused on hazardous materials preparedness and response.
- 5. Operational response equipment.



## **FY 2022 Tier II Competitive Grant Program (Tier II NC)**

## **Purpose:**

Tier II competitive grants provide Local Emergency Planning Committees (LEPCs) funding to expand the scope of their hazardous materials emergency preparedness programs though response planning, training and related exercises. All active LEPCs awarded under this program receive non-competitive grant funds from the hazardous materials facility fees collected during the Tier II reporting period. The Tier II non-competitive grants must be used for hazardous materials emergency response planning, training and related exercises, with some conditions and limitations in accordance with the provisions of N.C.G.S. §166A-29.1. Operational equipment is currently ineligible for this grant.

#### **Grant Amount Estimate:**

\$10,000.00 maximum per award; total of \$60,000.00 available statewide. Amounts may vary due to requests processed.

#### **Associated Deadlines:**

1. Application period (90 days):
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3. Award letter and MOA distributed: April 1, 2022 (retroactive to January 1, 2022)

4. Period of Performance Completion Reminder: November 30, 20225. Final cost report due: January 30, 2023

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### **Eligible Project Activities:**

The funds awarded under this grant may only be used by your county LEPC or regional LEPC and must fall under one or more of the following categories:

- 1. Supporting costs incurred facilitating LEPC meetings.
- 2. Enhancing LEPC outreach efforts or produce promotional materials through printing or general office supplies.
- 3. Supporting LEPC meetings and collaboration with food and non-alcoholic beverages.
- 4. Hosting or supporting local and regional LEPC conferences.
- 5. Creating or updating hazardous material emergency response plans.
- 6. Supporting local or regional hazardous materials response exercises.
- 7. Supporting purchases of equipment necessary to support the LEPC and its mission.
- 8. Supporting hazardous material risk assessments.
- 9. Subscriptions to hazardous materials related web services (ex: MSDS online, Chemtrac)
- 10. Non-operational equipment to support the LEPC. Please note that all equipment purchases must receive pre-approval from the grant point of contact.

### **Ineligible Project Activities:**

Tier II grants funds may not be used for any of the following items:

- 1. Salaries or benefits for any employee.
- 2. Drone aircraft or unmanned aerial vehicles.
- 3. Items intended as gifts.
- 4. Other support for programs not focused on hazardous materials preparedness and response.
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