



**STATE OF VERMONT**  
JOINT FISCAL OFFICE

**MEMORANDUM**

To: Joint Fiscal Committee members  
From: Sorsha Anderson, Senior Staff Associate  
Date: January 24, 2025  
Subject: Grant Request – JFO #3238

Enclosed please find one (1) item, which the Joint Fiscal Office has received from the Administration. ***This item is being held for the Joint Fiscal Committee meeting scheduled for January 31, 2025.***

**JFO #3238:** \$6,550,313.00 to the Department of Public Safety from the Federal Emergency Management Agency. Funds to provide disaster assistance for emergency work and the repair/replacement of disaster damaged facilities during the severe storm and flooding event July 9-11, 2024, in Addison, Caledonia, Chittenden, Essex, Lamoille, Orleans and Washington Counties. State match of 25% met through ERAF and local recipients. *[Received 1/2/2025]*

Please review the enclosed materials and notify the Joint Fiscal Office (Sorsha Anderson, [sanderson@leg.state.vt.us](mailto:sanderson@leg.state.vt.us)) if you have questions before the meeting.

#3238



**State of Vermont**  
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Agency of Administration

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## STATE OF VERMONT FINANCE & MANAGEMENT GRANT REVIEW FORM

<b>Grant Summary:</b>		To provide Federal disaster assistance for emergency work and the repair/replacement of disaster damaged facilities during the severe storm and flooding event for the period July 9-11, 2024 in Addison, Caledonia, Chittenden, Essex, Lamoille, Orleans and Washington Counties. DR-4810			
<b>Date:</b>		12/20/2024			
<b>Department:</b>		DPS VEM			
<b>Legal Title of Grant:</b>		Disaster Grants- Public Assistance (Presidentially Declared Disasters)			
<b>Federal Catalog #:</b>		97.036			
<b>Grant/Donor Name and Address:</b>		Federal Emergency Management Agency			
<b>Grant Period:</b>	<b>From:</b>	8/20/2024	<b>To:</b>	8/20/2028	
<b>Grant/Donation</b>		\$6,550,313			
	<b>SFY 1</b>	<b>SFY 2</b>	<b>SFY 3</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>Comments</b>
<b>Grant Amount:</b>	\$3,275,155	\$2,620,125	\$655,033	\$6,550,313	
<b>Position Information:</b>		<b># Positions</b>	<b>Explanation/Comments</b>		
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<b>Additional Comments:</b>					
<b>Department of Finance &amp; Management</b>		Adam Greshin		Digitally signed by Adam Greshin Date: 2024.12.23 18:59:21 -05'00'	
<b>Secretary of Administration</b>		Sarah Clark		Digitally signed by Sarah Clark Date: 2024.12.23 18:59:21 -05'00'	
<b>Sent To Joint Fiscal Office</b>		Anna Reinold		Digitally signed by Anna Reinold Date: 2025.01.02 12:56:39 -05'00'	
				<b>Date</b>	

Jason Aronowitz  
 Digitally signed by Jason Aronowitz  
 Date: 2024.12.20 18:59:21 -05'00'





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November 12, 2024

To: Jason Aronowitz, Senior Budget & Management Analyst

From: Sarah Prior, Financial Administrator

Re: Request for Grant Acceptance

Attached you will find our request for Grant Acceptance (Form AA-1) for the FEMA Public Assistance grant program for FEMA-DR-4810-VT.

If you have any questions, please contact me at [Sarah.Prior@vermont.gov](mailto:Sarah.Prior@vermont.gov).

Respectfully,

Sarah

Cc: Kristine Seipel, Financial Manager  
Cc: Melissa Austin, Financial Manager  
Cc: Richard Hallenbeck, Director of Administration and Finance

# STATE OF VERMONT REQUEST FOR GRANT (\*) ACCEPTANCE (Form AA-1)

BASIC GRANT INFORMATION				
1. Agency:				
2. Department:		Public Safety		
3. Program:		Vermont Emergency Management		
4. Legal Title of Grant:		Disaster Grants- Public Assistance (Presidentially Declared Disasters)		
5. Federal Catalog #:		97.036		
6. Grant/Donor Name and Address: Federal Emergency Management Agency				
7. Grant Period:		From:	8/20/2024	To: 8/20/2028
8. Purpose of Grant: To provide Federal disaster assistance for emergency work and the repair/replacement of disaster damaged facilities during the severe storm and flooding event for the period July 9-11, 2024 in Addison, Caledonia, Chittenden, Essex, Lamoille, Orleans and Washington Counties.				
9. Impact on existing program if grant is not Accepted: Eligible State, Local, and Non-Profit agencies may have to bear the full cost of the disaster related expenses. Budget information below is based on the Preliminary Damage Assessment, SF-424 submission, and allowable State Management Cost.				
10. BUDGET INFORMATION				
	SFY 1 FY 2025	SFY 2 FY 2026	SFY 3 FY 2027	Comments
<b>Expenditures:</b>				
Personal Services	\$279,586	\$223,669	\$55,918	CAT Z MC 100%
Operating Expenses	\$	\$	\$	
Grants	\$3,994,092	\$3,195,275	\$798,820	Subgrants 75% Federal Share 25% Match
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$4,273,678</b>	<b>\$3,418,944</b>	<b>\$854,738</b>	
<b>Revenues:</b>				
State Funds:	\$	\$	\$	
Cash	\$489,676	\$391,741	\$97,935	ERAF 12.26%
In-Kind	\$	\$	\$	
Federal Funds:	\$	\$	\$	
(Direct Costs)	\$3,275,155	\$2,620,125	\$655,033	MC 100% & Subgrants 75%
(Statewide Indirect)	\$	\$	\$	
(Departmental Indirect)	\$	\$	\$	
Other Funds:	\$	\$	\$	
Grant (source Local Match)	\$508,847	\$407,078	\$101,770	Subgrant Match 12.74%
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$4,273,678</b>	<b>\$3,418,944</b>	<b>\$854,738</b>	

**STATE OF VERMONT REQUEST FOR GRANT (\*) ACCEPTANCE (Form AA-1)**

<b>Appropriation No:</b>	2140030000 Fund 22005	<b>Amount:</b>	\$3,275,155
	2140030000 Fund 21555		\$489,676
			\$
			\$
			\$
			\$
			\$
		<b>Total</b>	\$3,764,831

**PERSONAL SERVICE INFORMATION**

**11. Will monies from this grant be used to fund one or more Personal Service Contracts?** ☐ Yes ☒ No  
 If "Yes", appointing authority must initial here to indicate intent to follow current competitive bidding process/policy.

Appointing Authority Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Agreed by: \_\_\_\_\_ (initial)

<b>12. Limited Service Position Information:</b>	<b># Positions</b>	<b>Title</b>
<b>Total Positions</b>		

**12a. Equipment and space for these positions:** ☐ Is presently available. ☐ Can be obtained with available funds.

**13. AUTHORIZATION AGENCY/DEPARTMENT**

I/we certify that no funds beyond basic application preparation and filing costs have been expended or committed in anticipation of Joint Fiscal Committee approval of this grant, unless previous notification was made on Form AA-1PN (if applicable):	Signature: _____	Date: 11/8/2024
	Title: Daniel Batsie Daniel Batsie Daniel Batsie	
	Signature: _____	Date: _____
	Title: _____	

**14. SECRETARY OF ADMINISTRATION**

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Approved:	(Secretary or designee signature) <i>Sarah Clark</i>	Date: 12/27/2024
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**15. ACTION BY GOVERNOR**

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Accepted	(Governor's signature) <i>[Signature]</i>	Date: 12/31/24
<input type="checkbox"/> Rejected		

**16. DOCUMENTATION REQUIRED****Required GRANT Documentation**

<input type="checkbox"/> Request Memo	<input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Donation (if any)
<input type="checkbox"/> Dept. project approval (if applicable)	<input type="checkbox"/> Grant (Project) Timeline (if applicable)
<input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Award	<input type="checkbox"/> Request for Extension (if applicable)
<input type="checkbox"/> Grant Agreement	<input type="checkbox"/> Form AA-1PN attached (if applicable)

## STATE OF VERMONT REQUEST FOR GRANT (\*) ACCEPTANCE (Form AA-1)

<input type="checkbox"/> Grant Budget	
<b>End Form AA-1</b>	
(*) The term "grant" refers to any grant, gift, loan, or any sum of money or thing of value to be accepted by any agency, department, commission, board, or other part of state government (see 32 V.S.A. §5).	

DocuSigned by:  
*Melissa Austin* 11/7/2024  
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*RA* 11/8/2024

# DECLARED AUGUST 20, 2024

## SUMMARY

STATE: Vermont

NUMBER: FEMA-4810-DR

INCIDENT: Severe Storm, Flooding, Landslides, and Mudslides

INCIDENT PERIOD: July 9-11, 2024

DATE REQUESTED BY GOVERNOR: August 2, 2024

FEDERAL COORDINATING OFFICER: William F. Roy  
National FCO Program

### DESIGNATIONS AND TYPES OF ASSISTANCE:

#### INDIVIDUAL ASSISTANCE (Assistance to individuals and households):

Addison, Caledonia, Chittenden, Essex, Lamoille, Orleans,  
and Washington Counties.

#### PUBLIC ASSISTANCE (Assistance for emergency work and the repair or replacement of disaster-damaged facilities):

Addison, Caledonia, Chittenden, Essex, Lamoille, Orleans,  
and Washington Counties.

#### HAZARD MITIGATION GRANT PROGRAM (Assistance for actions taken to prevent or reduce long term risk to life and property from natural hazards):

All areas in the State of Vermont are eligible for assistance  
under the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program.

OTHER: Additional designations may be made at a later date if requested by the state and warranted by the results of further damage assessments.





State of Vermont

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

**REQUEST FOR MAJOR DISASTER DECLARATION  
GOVERNOR'S REQUEST COVER LETTER**

August 2, 2024

The Honorable Joseph Robinette Biden, Jr.  
President of the United States  
The White House  
Washington, D. C.

Through: Ms. Lori Ehrlich  
Regional Administrator  
FEMA Region 1  
220 Binney Street  
Cambridge, MA 02142

Dear Mr. President,

Under the provisions of Section 401 of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, 42 U.S.C. §§ 5121-5207 (Stafford Act), and implemented by 44 C.F.R. § 206.36, I request you declare a Major Disaster for the State of Vermont for heavy rainfall and severe flooding, flash flooding, and landslides in eight counties from July 9-11, 2024. I am specifically requesting Public Assistance for Addison, Caledonia, Chittenden, Essex, Lamoille, Orange, Orleans and Washington Counties; Hazard Mitigation Assistance statewide; Individual Assistance (including Individuals and Households Program, Disaster Case Management, Crisis Counseling Program, Disaster Unemployment Assistance, and Disaster Legal Services) for seven counties including Addison, Caledonia, Chittenden, Essex, Lamoille, Orleans and Washington Counties; as well as any other available federal disaster assistance, including but not limited to U.S. Small Business Administration and U.S. Department of Agriculture assistance.

I declared a State of Emergency for this event on July 10, 2024. The State Emergency Operations Center (SEOC) maintained Partial Activation status from July 11-present from 0800hrs to 2000hrs each day and reverted to Monitoring Status by the Vermont Emergency Management (VEM) Watch Officer and the Director of VEM for overnight periods. Multiple conference calls with the National Weather Service offices in Burlington, Vermont and Albany, NY have occurred with state agencies and utility companies related to these storms.