Hurricane Crisis Cooperative Agreement – Overview

Grant Funds: $200 million for states and U.S. Territories already approved and impacted by Hurricanes Harvey, Irma, and Maria

Grant Period: July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2020

Funded Texas Entities: Texas DSHS and City of Houston
  • City of Houston received direct award of $6,102,146

Funding Award to DSHS: $16,737,604 (requested over $36 million)
  • Over $11 million made available to local entities

Approved Funding Uses: 15 identified project plans related to:
  1. Vector control: surveillance and countermeasures for vector-borne diseases
  2. Immunization capacity during disaster response
     o Emergency response organization vaccination/education
     o Vaccine cold chain needs
     o HL7 interface for healthcare providers to link to ImmTrac2
  3. Improve disaster-related death county accuracy
  4. Identify disaster-related asthma burden and risk factors
  5. Foodborne, waterborne, and environmental disease surveillance
  6. Community Assessments for Public Health Emergency Response (CASPERs)
  7. Infectious disease reporting systems
  8. Maternal and child health outcomes
  9. Influenza-like illness surveillance and laboratory equipment
 10. Childcare facility environmental assessments
 11. Healthcare-associated infection control training and education
 12. Reimbursement for public health disaster expenses
 13. Project management for grant funds
 14. Tuberculosis prevention and control - video direct observed therapy
 15. Tuberculosis laboratory equipment and supplies