



WHO IS HAGERTY?

Hagerty Consulting, Inc. (Hagerty) is a full-service consulting firm that helps clients prepare for, respond to, and recover from disasters.

Since our founding in 2001, we have supported some of the nation's most impactful disaster recovery efforts, bringing expertise in federal grants management, crisis response, and preparedness strategies.

By blending deep programmatic knowledge with practical, results-driven solutions, we deliver lasting impacts that strengthen resilience for those we serve.

To learn more about the innovative solutions we can provide to your business or organization, contact:

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What is Hazard Mitigation Assistance (HMA)?

Hazard mitigation refers to “any action taken to reduce or eliminate long-term risk to human life and property from natural hazards.” HMA encompasses the five major programs offered by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) to support these efforts:

Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP)

Provides funding for long-term hazard mitigation planning and projects following a major presidential disaster declaration.

Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities (BRIC)

A nationally competitive program that funds high-impact, climate-adaptive infrastructure and capability-building projects annually, empowering communities to strengthen capacity and prepare for future challenges.

Flood Mitigation Assistance (FMA)

An annual, nationally competitive program that supports planning and projects to reduce or eliminate the risk of flood damage to buildings that are insured under the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP), principally prioritizing Severe Repetitive Loss and Repetitive Loss Structures.

FMA Swift Current (SC) Initiative

Provides post-disaster funding for individual flood mitigation projects that reduce flood risk to NFIP-insured structures. Approved projects may involve property acquisitions, building elevations, dry floodproofing, retrofitting, mitigation reconstruction, and project scoping. The program features a 36-month performance period with deadlines varying by state.

Pre-Disaster Mitigation (PDM)

Revitalized in Fiscal Year (FY) 2022 as a direct Congressional appropriation to selected projects across the country. The program, authorized by Section 203 of the Robert T. Stafford (“Stafford”) Act, offers funding for mitigation activities that reduce natural hazard risk to people, structures, and infrastructure.

Safeguarding Tomorrow Revolving Loan Fund (RLF)

The Safeguarding Tomorrow through Ongoing Risk Mitigation (STORM) Act provides low-interest loans to states and eligible federally recognized tribes and territories to establish revolving loan funds. These funds provide HMA support to local governments for reducing risks from natural hazards.

Our Experience

Hagerty has completed HMA subapplications and managed projects ranging from \$100,000 to \$250 million. Our clients include both subapplicant-level jurisdictions (e.g., cities, special districts, and counties) as well as applicant-level state agencies. In addition to mitigation project delivery, our team supports states and local jurisdictions in updating their Hazard Mitigation Plans. Through these efforts, we help clients conduct risk assessments and develop robust mitigation strategies for implementation.

Eligible Subapplicants	HMGP	BRIC	FMA	SC	PDM
State Agencies					
Federally-Recognized Tribes					
Local Governments and Communities*					
Private Nonprofit Organizations (PNPs)					

* Local governments/communities may include non-federally-recognized tribes, or consistent with the definition of local government at 44 CFR 201.2, may include any Indian tribe or authorized tribal organization, or Alaska Native village or organization that is not federally recognized per 25 U.S.C. 479a et seq.

Hagerty can help maximize federal mitigation funding.

Hagerty assists our clients in identifying, developing, and evaluating opportunities for hazard mitigation programs to reduce or eliminate risk from future events. Hagerty has a deep understanding of FEMA's HMA programs and helps our clients secure and maximize funding to support all types of resilience projects. We leverage federal dollars available through multiple funding streams and encourage a system-based approach to 406 Mitigation which helps agencies prioritize their limited HMA funding.

PROJECT TYPES

Hagerty's professionals are experts in hazard mitigation and infrastructure resilience, with extensive expertise and experience in a range of hazards and project types.

Project types include, but are not limited to:

- Flood Mitigation for Critical Infrastructure
- Community-Wide Wildfire Mitigation
- Safe Room Construction and Retrofitting
- Seismic Retrofits of Critical Facilities
- Private Property Acquisitions and Structure Elevations

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHT

The California Office of Emergency Services (Cal OES), HMA Program

Hagerty mobilized a team of 15 mitigation professionals to assist Cal OES in administering and managing a roughly \$2 billion HMGP portfolio. Key efforts included designing and implementing a \$9.7 million Advance Assistance grant to help low-income residents reduce wildfire risk and supporting \$731.7 million in BRIC subapplications in the program's inaugural year.

Since 2018, Cal OES has experienced a roughly 657 percent increase in HMA funding compared to the previous decade. In response, Hagerty scaled support to provide programmatic, BCA and EHP technical assistance to over 1,100 unique subapplicants across 35 events.

Ultimately, California has led the nation in BRIC funding selections and allocation since the program's launch in 2020, securing approximately \$109 million across both competitive projects and management cost funding categories combined.

Project Execution

We often support our clients with holistic HMA grant management services — from notice of interest to closeout. This can include building a strategic mitigation framework that best fits your needs, including:

- Assisting applicants with subapplication technical review and FEMA submission, including providing hands-on technical assistance and project scoping to potential subapplicants;
- Completing a well-documented Benefit-Cost Analysis (BCA) as well as acceptable alternative BCA methodologies;
- Gathering and assessing sufficient information regarding the potential impacts on environmental resources and/or historic properties in the desired project area;
- Coordinating HMA funding with other mitigation funding opportunities, including 406 Mitigation, the United States (US) Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Community Development Block Grant Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR) and Mitigation (CDBG-MIT), and other funding programs to minimize or eliminate the local cost share requirement through global and coordinated match strategies;
- Providing a Duplication of Programs (DOP) and Duplication of Benefits (DOB) review;
- Modernizing mitigation projects with resilient design standards; and
- Helping subapplicants develop the most competitive projects with eligibility, feasibility, and cost-effectiveness screening for potential HMA projects.

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