



FEMA Public Assistance

Hagerty Consulting's Experience, Service Offerings, and Strategic Approach

WHO IS HAGERTY?

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

Hagerty has supported local, tribal, state, government and private sector clients through every major disaster since 2001.

We blend exceptional management consulting skills with the industry's deepest programmatic expertise to produce innovative strategies and results for our clients.

We have highly qualified and expert professionals all over the nation and US territories with offices located in:



Evanston, IL



New York City, NY



Puerto Rico



Sacramento, CA



Tallahassee, FL



Washington, DC

OUR EXPERIENCE

Since 2001, Hagerty has supported approximately 150 State, Local, Tribal, Territorial (SLTT) and private non-profit (PNP) clients obtain, manage, and retain \$49 billion in Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Public Assistance (PA) program funding across 27 states and territories.

WHAT IS FEMA PA?

The mission of FEMA's PA program is to provide funding to SLTT and certain types of PNP organizations so communities can quickly respond to and recover from major disasters or emergencies declared by the President.

The overly complex, policy-driven process makes navigating and accessing PA assistance a challenge for many SLTTs and PNPs. For this reason, FEMA provides funding to help manage the PA program, known as management costs, which may be used for in-house or contracted staff support.

OUR INNOVATIVE, STRATEGIC APPROACH

Hagerty helps clients negotiate and secure innovative PA policy solutions. These unique solutions have created best practices and directly influenced improvements in PA policy.

Our intimate knowledge of federal recovery programs can also help identify opportunities for communities to layer PA funding with other federal grant streams you may be eligible for, including, but not limited to:

- FEMA Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP);
- Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Community Development Block Grant – Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR); and
- Funding made available through new and existing programs under the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA).

CASE STUDY


Hurricane Michael Recovery

On October 10, 2018, Hurricane Michael made landfall in the Florida panhandle as an unprecedented Category 5 Hurricane. Since the storm, Hagerty has supported a client in the Florida panhandle with their disaster recovery needs – coordinating cost recovery, grant management, and compliance, as well as project closeout.

To date, the client has received over \$318 million in disaster recovery funding, including:


- 97 percent FEMA obligation rate of the client's FEMA PA reimbursement projects;
- \$9.8 million identified in missing eligible costs during review of FEMA PA cost estimates; and
- \$20 million in expedited funding for debris removal with the state's support; total debris removal costs have exceeded more than \$80 million, with nearly 95 percent of the total costs validated for federal reimbursement.

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Hagerty Can Help

Immediately after a disaster, Hagerty helps clients:

- Identify damages and assess initial PA eligibility;
- Support preliminary damage assessments (PDAs) and requests for PA (RPAs); and
- Train staff on the PA program, policies, and process.

During PA project development, Hagerty helps clients:

- Develop a damage inventory/list of impacts and group them into eligible projects;
- Develop scopes of work to repair/replace damaged facilities;
- Prepare cost estimates for eligible work;
- Identify hazard mitigation opportunities under PA permanent work; and
- Analyze PA regulation and policy to identify innovative solutions to maximize funding.

After the PA project award, Hagerty helps clients:

- Monitor for post-award compliance with federal requirements;
- Support appeals and audits; and
- Conduct grant reconciliation, reporting, and final closeout.

To learn more about the innovative and customized solutions Hagerty can provide to your organization, contact:

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