



Local Infrastructure Hub: Module 2: Federal Administration Priorities & Incorporating Data

October 5, 2022

Where we are in the LIH Bootcamp and where we're going

Module 0: Pre Development



Setting the Table & Engaging the Community



Incorporating Data & Fed. Administration Priorities

In peer cohorts, participants will be guided through developing data-informed grant application narratives that align with administration priorities.



Demystifying Capital Stacks and Budgeting



Writing a Strong Narrative & Packaging Submission



Post Submission: Long Term Capacity Building

Sept 12 - 16

Sept 19 - 30

Oct 3 - 14

Oct. 17 - 28

Oct. 31 - Nov. 11

Nov. 14 - 25

What your participation will look like

City leadership will engage in the bootcamp to varying degrees.

*Finance leads should attend the next session on capital stacks on **October 19th***

				
Title	MAYOR	GRANT LEAD	COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT LEAD	FINANCE LEAD
Engagement Description	Participates in selective modules to spearhead goals and advocacy, review the impact story of draft applications, and implement long term capacity building measures (i.e. Modules 1, 4, & 5)	Participates in all modules and is the primary point of contact for each participating city team	Participates in selective modules to help design community engagement strategies (i.e. Module 1)	Participates in budget and capital stacks specific modules (i.e. Module 3)
Level of Effort	~ 3 hours per program	~ 2.5 - 10 hours per month (depending on engagement with optional office hours & additional resources)	~ 4 - 10 hours per program	~ 2 - 6 hours per program

* This table is designed to represent city leadership that will likely participate in the Readiness program and is not intended to be representative of all staff who may be engaged throughout the process. For example we recognize some cities will have City Managers as the executive leader. For some cities, these leaders may have multiple roles.

FMA Overview

The Flood Mitigation Assistance (FMA) Program is a competitive grant program that provides funding to states, local communities, federally recognized tribes and territories. Funds can be used for projects that **reduce or eliminate the risk of repetitive flood damage** to buildings insured by the **National Flood Insurance Program**.



ELIGIBILITY

- **Eligible applicants:** States, U.S. territories, federally recognized tribal governments, and the District of Columbia;
- **Eligible subapplicants:** Local governments, tribal governments, state agencies and tribal agencies.
 - **Subapplicants must submit their applications to their state/territory/tribal applicant agency.**



COST SHARE

- Cost share is **required** for all sub-applications funded under BRIC
- The cost share for BRIC is generally **75% federal & 25% non-federal**
- Economically Disadvantaged Rural Communities are eligible for an increase in cost share up to 90% federal & 10% non-federal



TIMELINE

The FMA Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) was released on August 16th with a deadline for state applicants of January 27th, 2023. **Deadlines for subapplicants vary by state - Contact your State Hazard Mitigation Office for more information.**

Select FMA Requirements

Hazard Mitigation Plan

- A FEMA-approved **Hazard Mitigation Plan is required** to receive grant funding
- Subapplicants **do not require** a Hazard Mitigation Plan for the following Capability and Capacity Building Activity types: (1) hazard mitigation planning and planning-related activities, (2) partnerships, and (3) building codes activities;
- **Check if your city has an approved plan** or will have one by the application deadline. Data on public bodies that have Hazard Mitigation Plans can be found at: www.fema.gov/openfema-data-page/hazard-mitigation-plan-statuses

Benefit-Cost Analysis

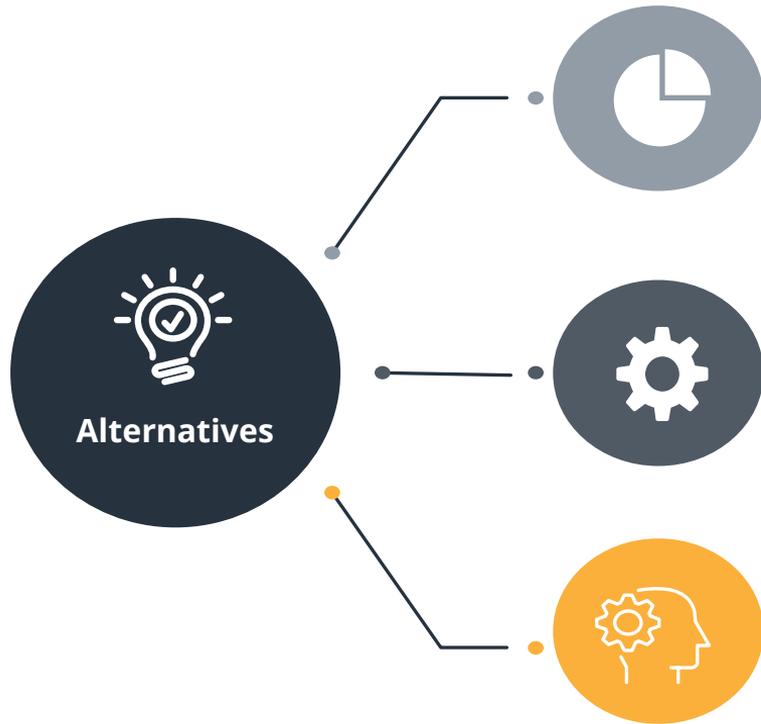
- A **Benefit-Cost Analysis (BCA) is a required component** of a FMA subapplication and a FEMA-approved BCA must be attached as documentation, as applicable.
- Capability and Capacity Building activity and management costs subapplications **do not require** a BCA.
- FEMA's BCA Toolkit is available on the FEMA website at: www.fema.gov/benefit-cost-analysis

Flood Insurance

- Subapplicants **must participate in the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP)**. They cannot be on probation or suspended.
- Cities can **check their NFIP status** at: www.fema.gov/flood-insurance/work-with-nfip/community-status-book
- **All structures** included in the project subapplications **must be insured** under the NFIP (before, during, and after the mitigation)

Additional requirements for all applicants and sub-applicants can be found in the [FMA NOFO](#).

What if my city doesn't have a mitigation plan?



Apply to develop a Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan

- Subapplicants may apply for funding through FMA to support to develop a local Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan under Capability and Capacity-Building Activities. FEMA will fund up to \$25,000 for these planning activities.

Build a plan concurrently with applying for FMA FY 2022

- Subapplicants need to have a mitigation plan by the application deadline. Your team can choose to build one at the same time that it participates in the bootcamp to submit a project.
- *Note: This will require significant staff resources & capacity.*

Plan to apply for FMA FY 2023

- Your team can choose to engage with the bootcamps to learn how to better navigate through federal processes this fall semester and apply in the next round, using this next year to build a mitigation plan.

Grant Summary - FMA

Bloomberg Philanthropies Local Infrastructure Hub Grant Info Sheet
FEMA's Flood Mitigation Assistance (FMA)

The Local Infrastructure Hub is an initiative to help ensure that all cities and towns can access federal Infrastructure Act funding to drive local recovery, improve communities, and deliver results for residents. The following is summary information about one of the many grants for communities.

Type
[Flood Mitigation Assistance Grants \(FMA\)](#)

Agency
Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)

Category
Resilience

Total ILHA Funding
\$3.5 billion over 5 years; \$800 million FY22:
• \$56M for [Capacity & Capacity Building](#)
• \$400M for Individual Flood Mitigation
• \$340M for Localized Flood Risk Reduction
In FY22 FEMA released separate [Flood Mitigation Funding](#) with \$60M for Hurricane Ida disaster declaration areas in LA, NJ, MS, and PA.

Grant Funding
Communities must apply for FMA funding through their Tribal, Territorial, or [State Hazard Mitigation Offices](#) as a "subapplicant"
FY22 [funding caps](#) for Capacity Building (C&CB):
• \$100,000 for [Multi-Hazard Mitigation Planning](#) per state applicant (\$50K for state planning and \$25K for local)
• \$900,000 for Project Scoping per subapplicant
• \$300,000 for Additional C&CB Activities per subapplicant
Localized Flood Risk Reduction up to \$50,000,000 per subapplicant
Individual Property Mitigation Project applications do not have a funding cap

Match Requirements
Generally, FMA funding has a 25% local match requirement, with a lower match for addressing repetitive loss properties, and the additional Infrastructure Act funding provides a lower match for vulnerable areas.
C&CB and Localized Flood Risk Reduction Projects:

Web Site: <https://www.fema.gov/grants/mitigation/floods>
Contacts: State Hazard Mitigation Office <https://www.fema.gov/grants/mitigation/state-contacts>

Information current as of August 10, 2022. Please check grant website for current details.
1 of 2

FMA Summary Sheet

- LIH compiled a summary sheet that includes information on:
 - Total funding available
 - Match requirements
 - Key dates
 - Funding criteria
 - Eligibility requirements
 - Preparatory Activities
 - Opportunities for Climate & Racial Wealth Equity
- Access the document [here](#)

Check for understanding (FMA)

Poll:

Have you identified your team? Y/N/Idon't know

Are you required to submit a Hazard Mitigation Plan? Y/N/Idon't know

If required to submit a Hazard Mitigation Plan, have you? Y/N/Idon't know

Have you contacted your Hazard Mitigation Office? Y/N/Idon't know

Do you know your state's deadline for subapplicants? Y/N/Idon't know

Expected learning outcomes for Module 2

Upon successful completion of this module, city teams will be able to:

- ✓ **Understand Administration priorities**, particularly around addressing inequities in historically disadvantaged communities and addressing the climate crisis.
- ✓ **Locate available data sources**, identify specific metrics that align with grant application scoring criteria, and access data to support application development and improve the likelihood of winning competitive funds.
- ✓ **Develop a community profile** by collecting specific data points made available through a custom data platform and translating them into narratives that answer specific questions aligned with the grant scoring criteria.



Module 2:

Federal Administration Priorities & Incorporating Data



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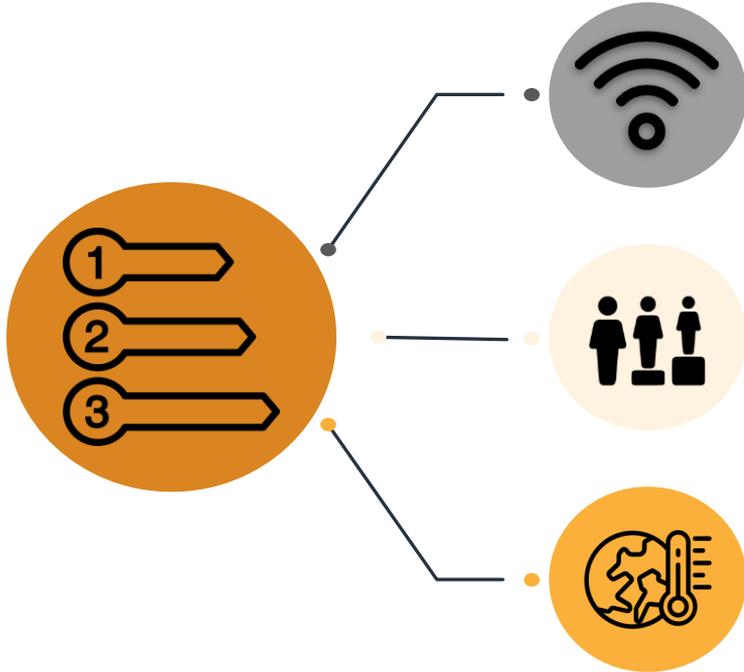
- Leads data framework development and analysis for NLC's Institute for Youth, Education and Families
- Has developed customised data frameworks for municipal and regional governments including San Jose, CA; Jackson, MS; and Orange County, CA
- Over 15 years experience bridging US philanthropy, ICT for development, social innovation
- Data-driven storytelling, data analysis and human development research



Federal Administration Priorities

Overall Priorities for the Biden Administration

The Administration has identified a core set of priorities for its infrastructure investments



Transform local infrastructure and economies

- Rebuilding critical infrastructure to compensate for decades of public disinvestment
- Develop the local workforce and create jobs across the country

Lift up historically disadvantaged communities

- Explicitly embedding racial equity at the core of the bill with the J40 promise to ensure 40% of benefits go to disadvantaged areas
- Reduce legacy pollution and restore impacted communities

Mitigate and build resilience to the climate crisis

- Reduce carbon emissions, especially from transportation
- Build community resilience to the inevitable consequences of climate change

Check for understanding of administration priorities

Which of these federal Administration priorities are you addressing in your project?

- Rebuilding critical infrastructure to compensate for decades of public disinvestment
- Develop the local workforce and creating jobs
- Targeting racial equity
- Reducing legacy pollution
- Reducing carbon emissions
- Building community resilience
- Other (please describe)

Q&A

5 Minutes

Please take this time to ask questions about FMA in the chat. We will use these questions to further design the next Module (Understanding Capital Stacks and Finance).



Utilizing Data in Your Application

Effectively utilizing data is vital to winning federal funding



**Central to
Administration
Priorities**

The Biden administration has explicitly prioritized the use of data in its operations and requests from cities/states, especially as an **enabler of incorporating equity** throughout government programs (e.g., in Justice40).



**Improves Grant
Competitiveness**

Incorporating data describing populations impacted in your community is not only explicitly required in many grant criteria but will also **help develop a persuasive story** about the impact generated by your use of grant funding.



**Identifies
Community
Needs**

Data use enables a **rigorous assessment of the needs of underserved populations** and illuminates opportunities for targeted actions that will result in demonstrably improved outcomes for underserved communities.



Data Tools for Specific Grant Scoring Criteria

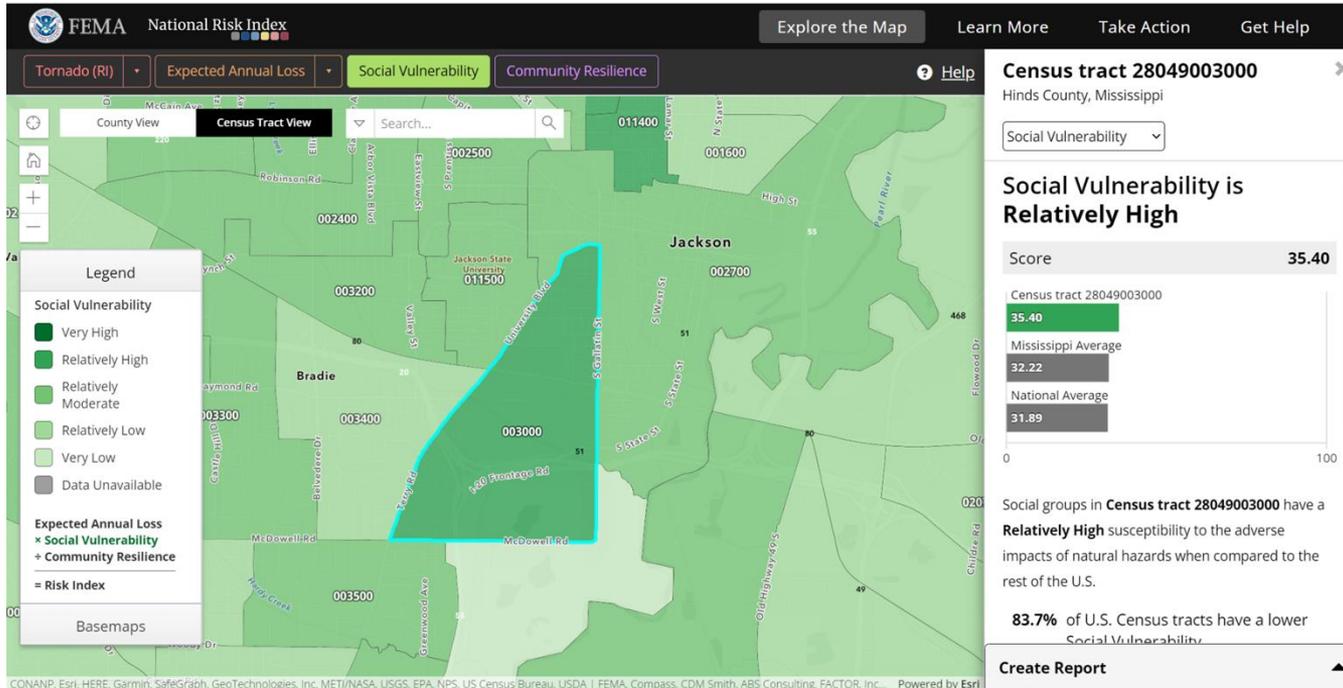
Understanding the Scoring Criteria - FMA

Final Priority Scoring Criteria for Capability and Capacity Building (C&CB)

Priority	Description	Points	Covered in Module
CDC Social Vulnerability Index (SVI) and NFIP Properties	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Projects that benefit area(s) with average SVI score of greater than or equal to 0.8 are eligible for this point priority will receive 10 points. Projects that benefit area(s) with average SVI score of greater than or equal to 0.6, and less than 0.8 are eligible for this point priority will receive 5 points. Projects where the average SVI benefit area less than 0.6 will not receive points in this category. 	Up to 10	Mod 2: Federal Administration Priorities and Incorporating Data
National Violation Tracker (NVT)	 <p>Highlighting indicates key criteria to quantify in your application</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Points are assessed for communities in good standing in the NFIP, which is determined by number of floodplain management property violations identified in NVT. Communities will receive points if they do not have any outstanding violations. 	3	Mod 2: Federal Administration Priorities and Incorporating Data
Community Rating System (CRS) Participation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The CRS recognizes and encourages community floodplain-management activities that exceed the minimum National Flood Insurance Program standards. Depending on the level of participation, flood insurance premium rates for policyholders can be reduced up to 45%. 	3	Mod 2: Federal Administration Priorities and Incorporating Data

Social Vulnerability Index Scores

[Link](#) to FEMA's National Risk Index (NRI)



This view shows:

- Social Vulnerability Scores by tract and county
- Comparisons to national and county values
 - Use for benchmarking for your community profile

National Violation Tracker

[Link](#) to the 2021 NFIP Probation / Suspended Communities Detail Report



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Probation/Suspended Communities Detail Report

Use this tool to:

- Determine whether you are on probation or suspension in the NFIP.

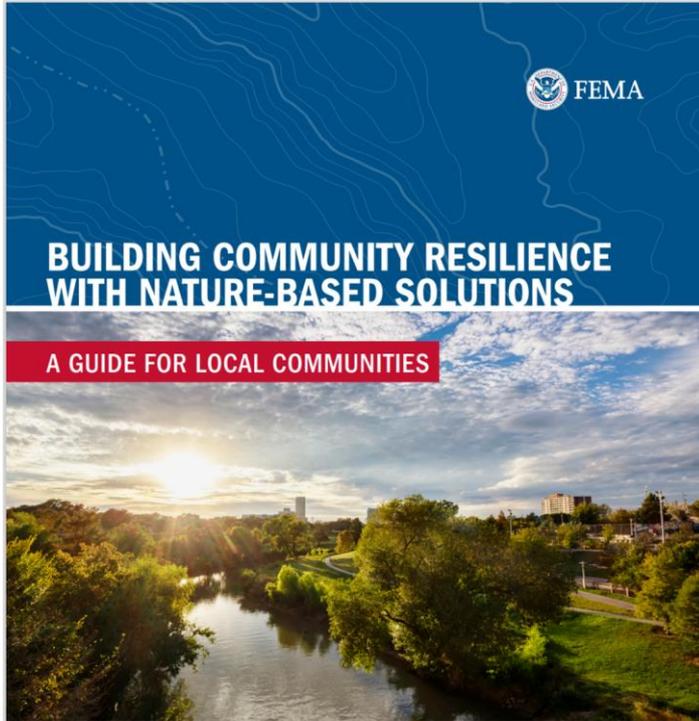
Reminder: Your community MUST participate in NFIP and be in good standing to apply for FMA funds.

Understanding the Scoring Criteria - FMA

Final Priority Scoring Criteria for Localized Flood Risk Reduction Project			
Priority	Description	Points	Covered in Module
Incorporation of Nature-Based Solutions	Projects that incorporate nature-based solutions.	100	Mod 2: Federal Administration Priorities and Incorporating Data & Mod 4: Writing a Strong Narrative & Packaging Submission
Severe Repetitive Loss (SRL) and Repetitive Loss (RL) Properties	Points are assessed for SRL and/or RL structure verified within the benefitting area of the project.	5 points per RL and 10 points per SRL, up to 100 points	Mod 2: Federal Administration Priorities and Incorporating Data
Private-Partnership Cost Share	Points will be assigned based on percentage of private cost share invest in the non-federal match. Points will be assessed as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Equal to or greater than 51%, applicants will receive 100 points. • Between 25% and 50%, applicants will receive 50 points. 	Up to 100	Mod 3: Demystifying Capital Stacks and Budgeting

FEMA's Guide for Nature-Based Solutions

[Link](#) to FEMA's Guide to Building Community Resilience with Nature-Based Solutions

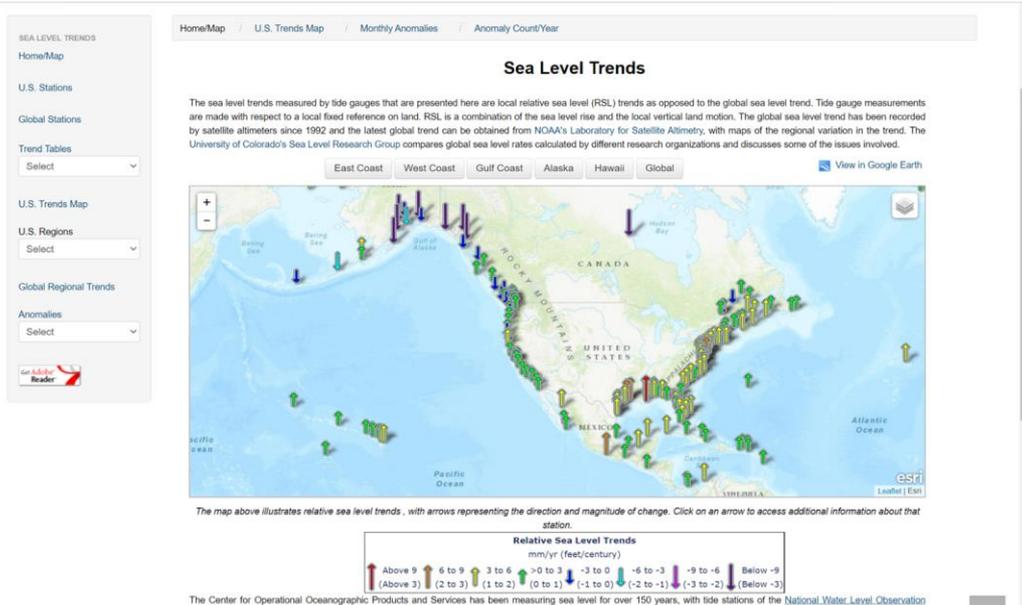


Use this tool to:

- Learn about three categories of nature-based solutions: **watershed or landscape scale, neighborhood or site scale, and coastal areas**
- Make the business case for nature-based solutions for resilience solutions
- Identify how you can incorporate nature-based solutions into your grant application

Projecting Severe Repetitive Loss

[Link](#) to NOAA's Sea Level Trends Map

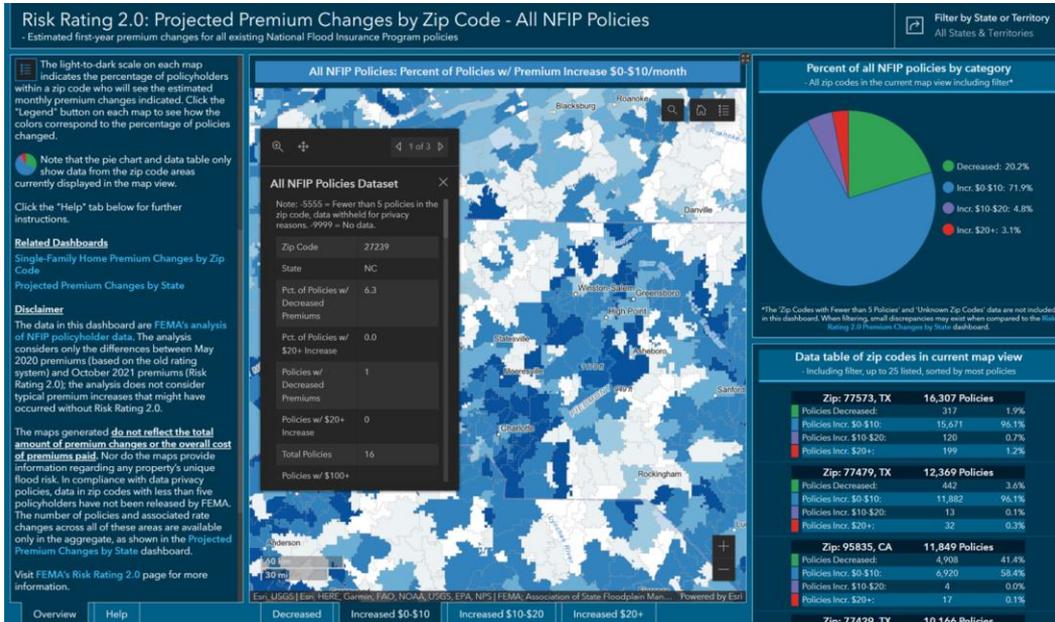


Use this tool to:

- Track sea level trends presented in local relative sea level **and** provides a forecast of expected sea level rise
- If you have filed more than 1 claim in the past 10 years to the National Flood Insurance Program, those records will determine classification of Repetitive Loss.
- *Only for coastal communities*

Projecting NFIP Cost Increases

[Link](#) to Risk Rating 2.0 Projected Premium Change Map



Use this tool to:

- Identify zip codes with estimated first-year premium changes for all existing National Flood Insurance Program policies.
- Provide supplemental information on projected increases by dollar amount on National Flood Insurance Premiums for all policyholders within your city's zip code.

Understanding the Scoring Criteria - FMA

Final Priority Scoring Criteria for Localized Flood Risk Reduction Project

Priority	Description	Points	Covered in Module
NFIP Policy Holder	<p>Points will be assessed for every NFIP policy that is active as of the FMA application start date and is verified within the benefitting area of the project.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>FMA application start date</i>: Section D, Application and Submission Information, Key Dates and Times. 	2 points per NFIP Policy, up to 250 points	Mod 4: Writing a Strong Narrative & Packaging Submission
CDC Social Vulnerability Index (SVI)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Projects that benefit area(s) with average SVI score of greater than or equal to 0.8 are eligible for this point priority will receive 200 points. • Projects that benefit area(s) with average SVI score of greater than or equal to 0.6, and less than 0.8 are eligible for this point priority will receive 150 points. • Projects where the average SVI benefit area less than 0.6 will not receive points in this category. 	Up to 200	Mod 2: Federal Administration Priorities and Incorporating Data
Consideration for Climate Change and Other Future Conditions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Describe how the project will enhance climate adaptation and resilience. • Detail how the project is being responsive to the effects of climate change, such as: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Sea level rise ○ Increased rainfall ○ Increased likelihood of flash flood due to wildfire ○ And/or other future conditions (population/demographic/land use, etc.) • Cites data sources, assumptions, and models. 	100	Mod 2: Federal Administration Priorities and Incorporating Data

NFIP Community Status Book

[Link](#) to FEMA's Community Status Book



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Get Started ▾

Market and Sell ▾

Write a Policy ▾

Before and After a Flood ▾

Retain Clients ▾

Flood Zones and Maps ▾

NFIP COMMUNITY STATUS BOOK

Find the status of your
community within the NFIP.

[Community Status Book](#)

February 2022

The NFIP Community Status Book contains the current status of a community. The status can be that a community either participates in the NFIP, does not participate in the NFIP, or is suspended or sanctioned.

Use this tool to:

- Confirm that your community is policy holder in the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP).
 - Sub-applicants **must** be NFIP policyholders in good standing to apply for FMA.

FEMA Flood Map Firmette

[Link](#) to FEMA's Flood Map Service Center



Use this tool to:

- Find your town/city's **flood map**
- Determine your **risk level**
 - Moderate-Low
 - High

Understanding the Scoring Criteria - FMA

Final Priority Scoring Criteria for Localized Flood Risk Reduction Project

Priority	Description	Points	Covered in Module
National Violation Tracker (NVT)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Points are assessed for communities in good standing in the NFIP determined by number of floodplain management property violations identified in the NVT for the community. Communities will receive points if they do not have any outstanding violations. 	50	Mod 2: Federal Administration Priorities and Incorporating Data
Community Rating System (CRS) Participation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The CRS recognizes and encourages community floodplain-management activities that exceed the minimum National Flood Insurance Program standards. Depending on the level of participation, flood insurance premium rates for policyholders can be reduced up to 45%. 	50	Mod 2: Federal Administration Priorities and Incorporating Data
Cooperating Technical Assistance Partners Program (CTP) Participation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The CTP is a qualified partnership program in which communities commit to collaborate in maintaining up-to-date flood hazard maps and other flood hazard information. Points will be assigned to CTP participating communities. 	30	Mod 4: Writing a Strong Narrative & Packaging Submission

Model accessing the National Violation Tracker

[Link](#) to the 2021 NFIP Probation / Suspended Communities Detail Report



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Probation/Suspended Communities Detail Report

Use this tool to:

- Determine whether you are on probation or suspension in the NFIP.
- The report provides the detail listing of all communities with probation and suspension information

Reminder: Your community MUST participate in NFIP and be in good standing to apply for FMA funds.

Community Rating System Coordinator's Manual

[Link](#) to FEMA's Community Rating System (CRS) Manual

The screenshot shows the FEMA website's navigation bar with categories: Disasters & Assistance, Grants, Floods & Maps, Emergency Management, About, and Work With Us. The left sidebar lists various resources under 'Floods & Maps', with 'Community Rating System' highlighted. The main content area is titled 'Community Rating System' and features buttons for 'Coordinator's Manual', 'Forms', 'Participating Communities', 'Discounts on Flood Insurance', and 'Case Studies, Blogs & Fact Sheets'. Below these buttons, a paragraph describes the CRS as a voluntary incentive program that recognizes and encourages community floodplain management practices exceeding minimum requirements. It notes that over 1,500 communities participate nationwide. A list of three goals follows: 1. Reduce and avoid flood damage to insurable property; 2. Strengthen and support the insurance aspects of the National Flood Insurance Program; 3. Foster comprehensive floodplain management.

Use this tool to:

- Calculate discounts on flood insurance premiums
- Requires applying for CRS participation
 - [Community Rating System Application Letter of Interest and Quick Check](#)
 - If your community is in full compliance with the rules and regulations of the NFIP, you may apply.
 - There's no application fee, and all CRS publications are free.

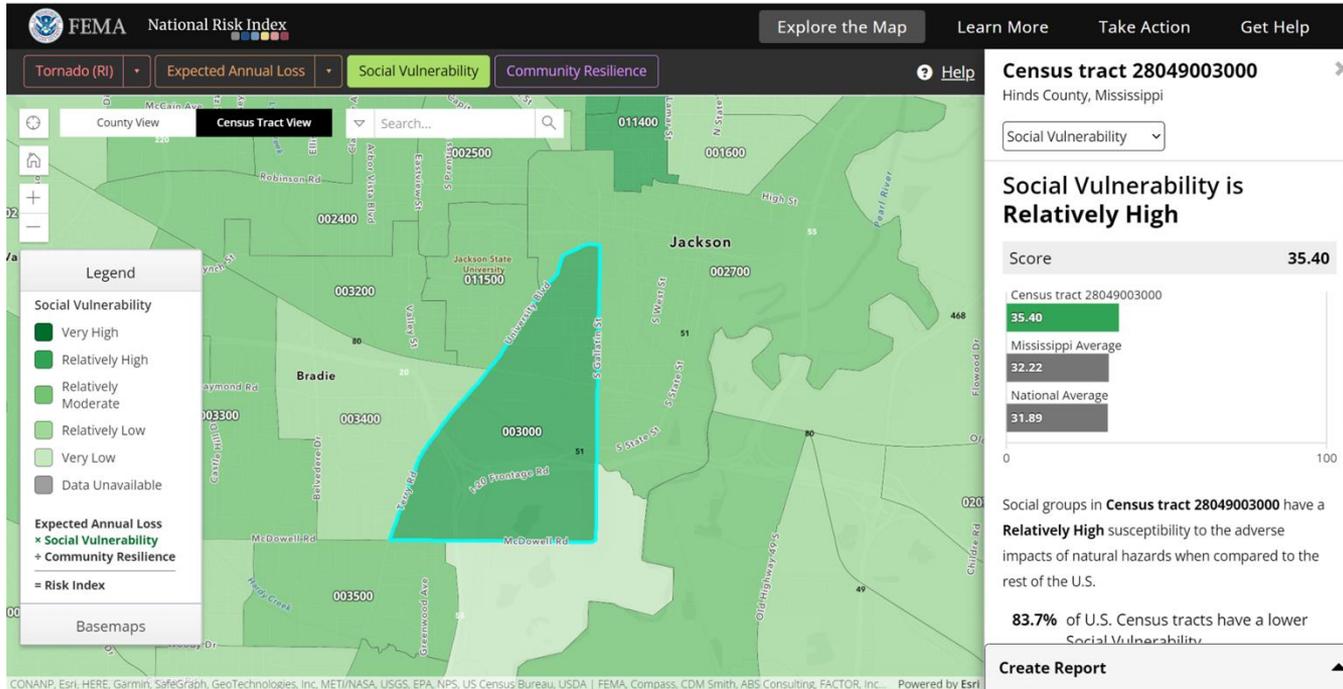
Understanding the Scoring Criteria - FMA

Final Priority Scoring Criteria for Individual Flood Mitigation Project

Priority	Description	Points	Covered in Module
CDC Social Vulnerability Index (SVI)	<p>The average SVI of all census tracts included in a benefitting area will determine the project's SVI. The benefitting area maps are used to determine which census tracts will be considered for assessment of these points. Points will be assessed as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Projects that benefit area(s) with an average SVI score of greater than or equal to 0.8 are eligible for this point priority will receive 60 points. Projects that benefit area(s) with an average SVI score of greater than or equal to 0.6 and less than 0.8 are eligible for this point priority will receive 30 points. Projects where the benefitting area(s) average SVI score is less than 0.6 will not receive points in this category. 	Up to 60	Mod 2: Federal Administration Priorities and Incorporating Data
Severe Repetitive Loss (SRL)/ Repetitive Loss (RL) Property	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> If greater than 35% of properties in the subapplication are SRL or RL, then 40 points will be assigned. If 25% to 35% of properties in the subapplication are SRL or RL, then 10 points will be assigned. 	Up to 40	Mod 2: Federal Administration Priorities and Incorporating Data

Social Vulnerability Index Scores

[Link](#) to FEMA's National Risk Index (NRI)



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Reference of FMA Tools

Tool	Description	Project Type	Relevant Criteria
National Risk Index	Visualizes natural hazard risk metrics and includes data about expected annual losses from natural hazards, social vulnerability and community resilience.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Capability and Capacity Building ● Individual Flood Mitigation Project 	Community's Social Vulnerability Index Score
Flood Map Service Center	Flood hazard information produced in support of the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP). Use the MSC to find your official flood map, access a range of other flood hazard products, and take advantage of tools for better understanding flood risk.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Capability and Capacity Building 	Consideration for climate change and other future conditions
NFIP Community Status Book	The NFIP Community Status Book contains the current "NFIP status" of a community. A community can either: participate in the NFIP, not participate in the NFIP, be suspended or sanctioned.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Localized Flood Risk Reduction Project 	Sub-applicants must participate in NFIP and be in good standing
NFIP Probation / Suspended Communities Detail Report	2021 report of communities that are either suspended or on probation from the National Flood Insurance Program.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Capability and Capacity Building ● Individual Flood Mitigation Project 	Sub-applicants must participate in NFIP and be in good standing
Community Rating System	Voluntary incentive program that recognizes and encourages community floodplain management practices that exceed the minimum requirements of the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP). Participating communities are eligible for reduced NFIP premiums.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Localized Flood Risk Reduction Project 	Participation in Community Rating System
Guide for Nature-Based Solutions	Guidebook for local communities to identify and engage the staff and resources that can be used to implement nature-based solutions to build resilience to natural hazards, which may be exacerbated by climate change.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Localized Flood Risk Reduction Project 	Incorporation of Nature-Based Solutions

Checking for Understanding of FMA data resources

Answer the following questions on the Zoom poll to assess your understanding of the content.

- Which resource are you most likely to use in support of your application?
- Which of the following areas do you need the most help with?
 - Accessing Flood Maps
 - National Flood Insurance Program
 - Understanding or Declaring Repetitive Loss
 - Other (please explain)



Elevating Your Application With A Community Narrative

Building a Community Narrative Aligned with Administration Goals

Introducing the Community Narrative

- **What is a community narrative?**
A description of the people and places that stand to benefit from your project, or whose elevated needs enhance the need for investment
- **Why is it important to develop one?**
 - The administration has explicitly prioritized elevating disadvantaged communities
 - The profile satisfies specific grant criteria where descriptions of Populations Impacted are requested.

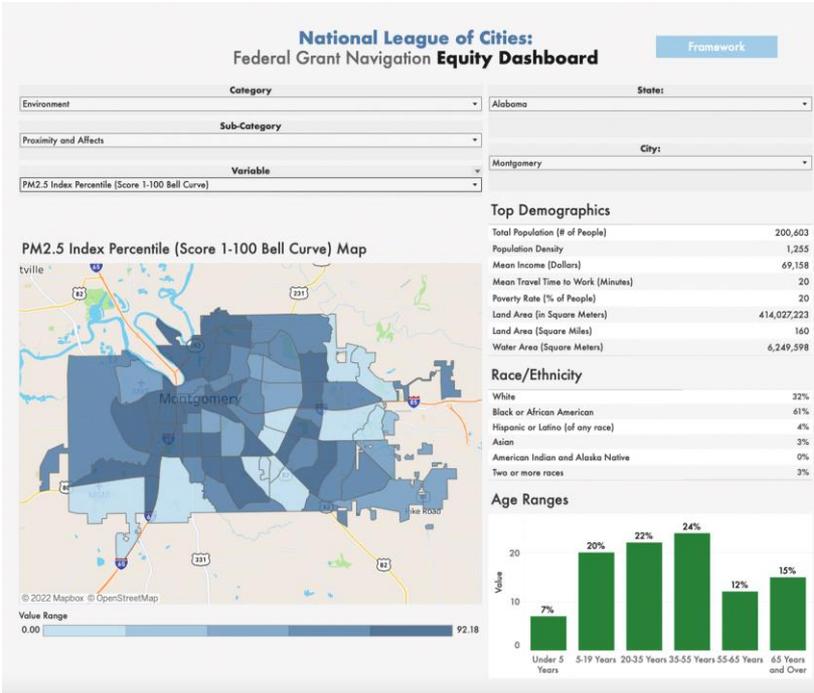
Utilizing data to build your city's profile

- This section will introduce you to a single data platform with relevant information about your community to help fill out your grant application
- The exercise will walk you through how to:
 - Interact with the data platform and determine which areas of your city should be priorities or investment
 - Identify select variables aligned with Federal Agency methodologies of qualifying disadvantaged communities to work through in the breakout session

Developing your community narrative will be the focus of the coaching sessions next week

Tract-level City Data Explorer

[Link](#) to the Tableau Dashboard - also on Canvas



Population for Whom Poverty Status is Determined (% of Total Pop.):

43.50

Definition: Percent of the population for whom poverty status is determined
Source: US Census 2020 American Community Survey

Jackson, Mississippi Census Tract - 109.02

Demographics:



Income:



Disadvantaged:



Use this tool to:

- Easily access all relevant information about your community to inform your grant application
- Identify the census tracts of disadvantaged communities to describe your city's need
- Includes data on:
 - Demographics / socioeconomic status
 - Business activity
 - Community resilience

Breakout Group: Working with available data sources to build your community narrative

Locate the worksheet in Canvas in your course readings to follow along

- **5 minutes:** In breakouts, you will learn how to use the an interactive data visualization platform to develop the key elements of a Community Profile. We will use this time to familiarize your team with the platform and you will continue your work offline.
- **5 minutes:** Find your city/town and zoom into the proposed area(s) where your project is envisioned to take place.
- **25 minutes:** Using the table in the worksheet, begin to capture and record the key data requested by the scoring criteria of the grant you are applying for, as well as supporting, descriptive statistics of the communities impacted.
 - *Hint:* In the worksheet, these key indicators are highlighted.
- **5 minutes:** Share any interesting findings or narrative structures with your group.

These initial pieces will serve as inputs for your Community Profile, which you will begin creating today and develop further during your coaching sessions next week.

Breakout Groups: Find Your Room

Group A: If you were invited to Module 0 **or** represent a city with less than 10,000 residents

Room 1

Connecticut	New Hampshire
Delaware	New Jersey
Florida	New York
Georgia	Pennsylvania
Maine	Virginia
Maryland	

Room 2

Alabama	Nebraska
Arizona	New Mexico
Arkansas	Oregon
Colorado	Texas
Iowa	Washington
Kansas	
Mississippi	

Group B: If you were **NOT** invited to Module 0 **or** represent a city with more than 10,000 residents

Room 3

Alaska	Nebraska
Arkansas	New Mexico
Iowa	Texas
Kentucky	Wisconsin
Louisiana	

Room 4

Connecticut	Puerto Rico
Florida	Virginia
Michigan	West Virginia
New Jersey	
Ohio	



Coaching and Office Hours

To deepen learning on this subject, Coaching, Office Hours, and Toolkits for this grant are available to all cities in the program



Peer Learning

*Interactive sessions featuring **subject matter experts** on the policy and grant approach; followed by smaller **cohort sessions*** for peer discussions*



Coaching

Smaller, cohort-based sessions to continue to build on **specific application questions** identified in the peer learning session



Office Hours

Support in the form of **designated time slots** with content experts to address specific questions



Tools and Templates

The following resources can help **strengthen core components** of your grant application

Support During this Bootcamp

You have multiple resources you can reach out to for support during this Program.

Navigator



Questions for Navigators can be raised in **onboarding sessions or bi-monthly check-ins** and/or **via email or phone**. The following are types of questions that can be raised with Navigators:

- A city has an **administrative question** about the bootcamp including questions regarding:
 - Timelines
 - Attendance
 - Participation expectations, and/or
 - Future program offerings
 - Certificates

You should have received initial registration emails from your assigned Navigator (either bootcampnavigator1@nlc.org or bootcampnavigator2@nlc.org)

Bootcamp Facilitator

Questions for bootcamp facilitators should be raised during **office hours**. The following are types of questions that could be raised in this setting:

- A city has a question about **content covered** in that week's peer learning or coaching sessions
- A city has a **technical question** about their grant application
- A city has a question about the **Canvas course**

We recommend that cities **hold questions** until the subject is covered in a relevant module. Many questions may be addressed in the learning sessions. Additionally, by holding the question, this ensures that cities will have **access to the appropriate subject matter expert** in office hours. Should a question fall **outside the scope of the curriculum**, cities may raise the question with bootcamp facilitators via email at BRICbootcamp@nlc.org, FMAbootcamp@nlc.org, or SMARTbootcamp@nlc.org.



Coaching and Office Hours help build forward from the peer learning session



Coaching

Smaller sessions to work on **specific application questions** as peers

Who will you engage with?

Jo- Anne Henry, Jim Brooks, Mike Bartlett, Nancy Lim, Anthony Santiago, Patrick Hain, Denise Belser, Lauren Lowery, Jenn Steinfeld, Lauren Boswell - *National League of Cities*

How will you engage?

Coaching sessions will be held on **October 11th from 2:30pm-3:30pm EST**
You will receive a separate calendar invite for the coaching session.



Office Hours

Support in the form of **designated time slots** with content experts to address specific questions

Who will you engage with?

Carolyn Berndt and Yucel Ors - *National League of Cities*

How will you engage?

Participants will be able to **register for office hours** through Canvas. Reserved time slots will be **15-minutes in length**, but may be extended pending availability and demand. Office hours will be offered on **October 7th from 1:30-5:30pm EST** and on **October 14th from 1:30-5:30pm EST.**



Tools and Templates



Tools and Templates for Module 2: Federal Administration Priorities and Data

The following resources can help **strengthen core components** of your grant application

- [Tract-level City Data Explorer](#)
- [Building A Community Narrative Worksheet](#)

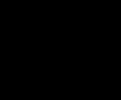
- [FMA Grant Summary Sheet](#)
- [Resources for the Flood Mitigation Assistance Grant Program](#)
- [Nature-based Solutions: A Guide for Local Communities](#)
- [FEMA: Local Mitigation Planning Policy Guide](#)
- [The FEMA National Risk Index](#)
- [FEMA Flood Map Service Center](#)
- [NOAA's Sea Level Trends Map](#)
- [NFIP Community Status Book](#)
- [NFIP Probation / Suspended Communities Detail Report](#)
- [FEMA's Community Rating System Manual](#)

Thank you!

For questions, please contact your navigator, the office hours and/or coaching lead, or email BRICbootcamp@nlc.org, FMAbootcamp@nlc.org, or SMARTbootcamp@nlc.org.

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