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## Update on '09 Homeland Security Grant

On February 19, members of the First Responder Advisory Committee (FRAC) met at Camp Dodge to review, rank and make preliminary recommendations on the investment packages submitted under the 2009 Homeland Security Grant. While a total of \$10,417,300 was submitted, Iowa's allocation is expected to be between \$5.6 and \$6.6 million. The committee members ranked the packages based on nine factors including ability to reduce risks, a clearly outlined implementation plan, impacts of the packages, sustainability and a set of clear outcomes.

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## Important Resources

**2008 Flood Resource Center**  
[www.flood2008.iowa.gov](http://www.flood2008.iowa.gov)

## SAVE THE DATE!

The Governor's 6th Annual Homeland Security Conference will be **Oct. 5-7, 2009**, at the Sheraton West Des Moines. More information to follow as the date gets closer. See you there!

## Disaster Assistance Reaches \$1.5 Billion

Disaster assistance to citizens, businesses, and governments impacted in 2008 has reached more than \$1.5 billion, according to the Rebuild Iowa Office (RIO).

As of February 20, \$583 million has been obligated to government entities and non-profit organizations through the FEMA Public Assistance Program. Eligible expenses under this program are in the areas of emergency response, debris removal, and repair or restoration of disaster-damaged public infrastruc-

ture. Certain non-profit organizations providing essential services may also be eligible for funding under this program.

More than \$136 million has been approved for the 40,000 households that registered for FEMA's Individual Assistance Program. Included in this program is Housing Assistance, which provides for rental assistance and grants to make an owner-occupied structure livable, and Other Needs Assistance, which provides

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# Training Opportunities



Date	Course	Location	Time	Contact
March 9-10	ICS 300	Marion	8 a.m.–5 p.m.	Julie Stephens, 319.892.6023 or <a href="mailto:julie.stephens@linncounty.org">julie.stephens@linncounty.org</a>
March 11	National Shelter System	Johnston (State EOC)	10 a.m.–3:30 p.m.	Blake DeRouchey, 515.323.4232 <a href="mailto:blake.derouchey@iowa.gov">blake.derouchey@iowa.gov</a> Register @ <a href="http://hls.extension.iastate.edu/calendar/">http://hls.extension.iastate.edu/calendar/</a>
March 14	NIMS IS-700	Waverly	8 a.m.–12 noon	Kip Ladage, 319.352.0133 or <a href="mailto:kladage@co.bremer.ia.us">kladage@co.bremer.ia.us</a>
	ICS 100	Waverly	1-5 p.m.	Kip Ladage
March 17-18	ICS 300	Clinton	8 a.m.–5 p.m.	Chance Kness, 563.242.5712 or <a href="mailto:ckness@clintoncountyia.com">ckness@clintoncountyia.com</a>
	ALERTT*	Tipton		<a href="http://www.iowarespondertraining.com">www.iowarespondertraining.com</a> (Click on ALERTT at top of page)
March 19	ICS/EOC Interface	Iowa City	8 a.m.–5 p.m.	Dave Wilson, 319.356.6028 or <a href="mailto:dwilson@co.johnson.ia.us">dwilson@co.johnson.ia.us</a>
	ICS 402 Overview for Senior Officials	Iowa City	6-8 p.m.	Dave Wilson
	NIMS IS-700	Spencer	12 noon-4 p.m. or 6-10 p.m.	Eric Tigges, 712.264.3987 or <a href="mailto:etigges@co.clay.ia.us">etigges@co.clay.ia.us</a>
March 19-20	ALERTT*	Wyoming		<a href="http://www.iowarespondertraining.com">www.iowarespondertraining.com</a>
March 24-25	ICS 300	Independence	8 a.m.–5 p.m.	Rick Wulfekuhle, 319.334.6411 or <a href="mailto:bcem@indytel.com">bcem@indytel.com</a>
March 26-27	ICS 400	Clinton	8 a.m.–5 p.m.	Chance Kness
March 28	ICS 200	Waverly	8 a.m.–5 p.m.	Kip Ladage
March 28-29	ICS 400	Independence	8 a.m.–5 p.m.	Rick Wulfekuhle
March 30-31	ICS 400	Grinnell	8 a.m.–4:30 p.m.	Steve Warren, 515.965.4344 <a href="mailto:steve.warren@idph.state.ia.us">steve.warren@idph.state.ia.us</a>
March 30-April 2	ICS 300/ICS 400** Train the Trainer	Ames	8 a.m.–4 p.m.	Ames Fire Service Training Bureau 888.469.2374 or 515.294.6817

\*This "Train the Trainer/Active Shooter" course is free and open to law enforcement, corrections and military officers in good standing with their respective units.

\*\***Registration deadline for this course is March 9.** Prerequisite: Successful completion of ICS 300 and ICS 400. Please provide copies of your completion certificates for these courses with your registration. Ω

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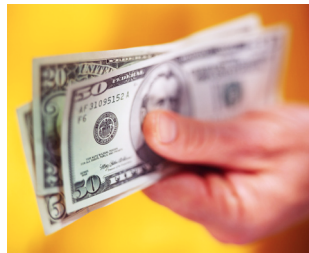
grants for disaster-related funeral, dental, and medical expenses.

The Small Business Administration has approved \$259 million in loans for homeowners and businesses.

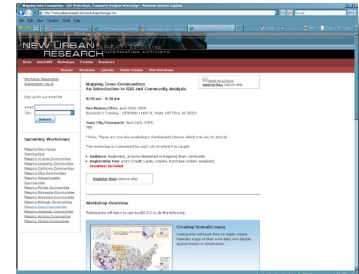
Other funding includes:

\$85 Million	First Round Community Development Block Grant Disaster Funds (CDBG)
\$72 Million	Second Round CDBG Disaster Funds
\$125 Million	Third Round CDBG Disaster Funds
\$62 Million	U.S. Department of Agriculture Funds
\$56 Million	Iowa Disaster Recovery Bill (state funds)
\$40 Million	Start-up Funding for Jumpstart Iowa Housing and Business
\$23.5 Million	Executive Council Action
\$25 Million	Iowa Finance Authority tax credits
\$23 Million	U.S. Department of Transportation Funds
\$17.1 Million	Labor/Jobs Assistance
\$11 Million	Social Services Block Grant
\$6.7 Million	Disaster Unemployment Assistance
\$5.8 Million	FEMA Community Disaster Loans
\$4 Million	Economic Development/Transportation funds
\$4 Million	FEMA Regular Services Program/Immediate Services Program Crisis Counseling Grant
\$500,000	College Assistance to Families
\$100,000	National Endowment of the Arts Emergency Support Disaster Recovery Funds

For additional information on disaster funding, visit the RIO Web site at [www.rio.iowa.gov](http://www.rio.iowa.gov). Ω



## Mapping Iowa Communities Workshop: An Introduction to GIS & Community Analysis



**When:** Thursday, April 23  
8:30 a.m.–4:30 p.m.

**Where:** Spindustry Training  
1370 N.W. 114th St.  
Suite 103  
Clive, IA 50325

**Cost:** \$495

For more information and to register go to [www.nur-online.com](http://www.nur-online.com).

Participants will learn to use Arc-GIS 9.3 to do the following:

- Create thematic maps of their own data, and display spatial trends in information.
- Map addresses of clients, projects or incidents such as crime and disease.
- Learn to extract and map current Census data such as poverty, race, language, population, transportation, education and workforce characteristics.

Mapping techniques are transferable to all other communities. Exercises are designed for beginners. Intermediate Excel skills required. Ω



## Update on FFY2009 HSGP

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Here is a snapshot of the packages ranked from top to bottom:

**1) Incident Management Team (IMT).** This project continues efforts to support local response to a wide range of incidents and emergencies including terrorist attacks, natural and other man-made disasters. The team functions to provide support to an ICS structure or establish the ICS structure at the local level, building upon existing federal, state and local emergency response plans.

*Requested: \$40,000*  
*Recommended: \$40,000*

**2) Weapons of Mass Destruction-Tactical Officers Task Force (WMD-SWAT).** The investment will strengthen regional all-hazards response and recovery operations through the implementation of a multi-agency multi-disciplinary planning, training and exercise program for the rapid detection, response and decontamination to chemical, biological, radioactive and explosive events.

*Requested: \$300,000*  
*Recommended: \$213,000*

**3) EOD.** Iowa's Bomb Squad Task Force Program. The investment will strengthen regional response and recovery operations by upgrading the robotic platform drive mechanisms and implement a multi-agency multi-disciplinary planning, training and exercise program for the rapid detection, response and decontamination to chemical, biological, radioactive and explosive events.

*Requested: \$600,000*  
*Recommended: \$541,500*

**4) Weapons of Mass Destruction.** Key activities required to successfully implement this investment include rapidly identifying and mitigating incidents, rescuing, decontaminating, and treating victims. Iowa's WMD HazMat Response and Decontamination Team members will require specialized training and equipment to address and prepare them for response to incidents involving CBRNE agents.

*Requested: \$496,000*  
*Recommended: \$496,000*



**5) University of Iowa Hygienic Lab.** UHL is seeking Homeland Security funding to secure the equipment needed to provide Raman spectroscopy detection capability for screening unknown CBRNE threats.

*Requested: \$195,000*  
*Recommended: \$195,000*

**6) Food and Agriculture Security/Animal Health Emergency Support.** This investment builds on existing programs by delivering a statewide seminar and six regional workshops for veterinary response team training including response task initiatives such as credentialing, surveillance interview techniques, diagnostic sample handling procedures, and implementing protective measures and delivering training to state and local response partners regarding response characteristics and support for animal health emergency incidents.

*Requested: \$190,000*  
*Recommended: \$190,000*



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### 7) Local/State Officials

**Education.** This investment funds two publications—The Guide to Homeland Security and Emergency Management for Local Officials and The State of Iowa Emergency Decision Matrix.

*Requested: \$13,750*

*Recommended: \$13,750*



**8) Multi-State Partnership.** The Multi-State Partnership for Security in Agriculture (MSP) will conduct food/agricultural criticality assessments, enhance communication, training and exercising between states and develop information sharing that supports and sustains the agricultural emergency response community

*Requested: \$218,213*

*Recommended: \$218,213*

**9) NIMS/NRF Implementation.** NIMS/NRF will be implemented at the local, region and State levels with the purpose of maintaining and achieving compliancy requirements per the national standards. This will include training, exercise, planning, administrative, and monitoring, maintenance, tracking, interpretation and facilitation of guidance of the Federal Government.

*Requested: \$1,160,000*

*Recommended: \$1,160,000*

**10) NIPP.** The National Infrastructure Protection Plan (NIPP) sets the foundation for asset and infrastructure protection in Iowa and is a requirement from the Department of Homeland Security. Funding for this investment justification will be used to implement all aspects of the NIPP that were identified requirements at a state, local, and private sector level for critical infrastructure and key resource (CI/ KR) protection.

*Requested: \$526,750*

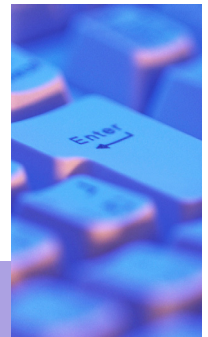
*Recommended: \$526,750*

### 11) National Initiatives/Regionalization.

Investment covers a variety of tasks directly related to State Strategic Plan & the Expand Regional Collaboration National Priority. Funding needed for ongoing and required new tasks as well as additional DHS requirements.

*Requested: \$357,000*

*Recommended: \$357,000*



**12) Intelligence and Information Sharing.** Maintain/sustain Regional Fusion System

*Requested: \$1,871,587*

*Recommended: \$1,871,587*

**13) Urban Search and Rescue.** This investment continues the growth of Iowa's homeland security program by helping to ensure the citizens of Iowa have effective and efficient resources close at hand to provide response and support to multi-hazard events.

*Requested: \$545,000*

*Recommended: \$445,000*



**14) COOP/COG.** The investment funding will pay for regional facilitators or contractors to help counties complete COOP plans. Also funds will pay for contractor services to administer the LDRPS software and train regional facilitators and state employees in LDRPS and COOP concepts. Funding will also pay for equipment and installation costs at the "warm" sites.

*Requested: \$800,000*

*Recommended: \$400,000*

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### HSEMD Mission

Lead, coordinate, and support homeland security and emergency management functions in order to establish sustainable communities and ensure economic opportunities for Iowa and its citizens.

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[www.iowahomelandsecurity.org](http://www.iowahomelandsecurity.org)

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**15) ICN Generator Replacement.** This grant will provide new power generation equipment to over 100 network access locations.

*Requested:* \$2,755,000

*Recommended:* \$0



**16) Region Five.** Through a collaborative, regional planning approach, the jurisdictions within the region will determine the most effective distribution and sharing of capability resources to ensure that they are available when and where they are needed and that all of the jurisdictions within the region have or have access to them as needed.

*Requested:* \$349,000

*Recommended:* \$0

## Next Steps

These recommendations will go through a final review by HSEMD staff and then will be forwarded to Dave Miller, the State Administrative Agency and Lt. Governor Patty Judge, the Governor's Homeland Security Advisor for a final decision. That is expected by mid-March.

Complete information about the process and '09 Homeland Security Grant are available on the Iowa Homeland Security and Emergency Management Division Web site, [www.iowahomelandsecurity.org](http://www.iowahomelandsecurity.org). Click the link on the right side of the home page. Ω

# Community Disaster Grant Update

Letters and applications for the \$22 million Community Disaster Grant (CDG) have been sent to the cities and counties eligible for these funds. The CDG program is funded with state dollars from the emergency fund and is intended to fill a broad range of disaster needs not covered by other federal or state programs. The 85 counties covered under Presidential Declaration for Disaster 1763 and all of the incorporated cities in those counties are eligible.

While applications are due April 1, jurisdictions are encouraged to send them in as soon as possible by submitting them to [cdg@iowa.gov](mailto:cdg@iowa.gov). Complete details including a Frequently Asked Question section on the grant are available at the Iowa Homeland Security and Emergency Management Web site, [www.iowa-homelandsecurity.org](http://www.iowa-homelandsecurity.org). Click on the "Community Disaster Grant" link on the right side of the home page. Ω