



Emergency Community Water Assistance Grants



Application deadline: rolling



**Funding: Determined by Michigan's
USDA Rural Development office**

Emergency Community Water Assistance grants aim to support eligible communities prepare for or recover from an emergency which threatens availability of safe and reliable drinking water



Goals and merit criteria for Bus and Bus Facilities grants:

The program aims to prevent damage and restore access to clean, reliable drinking water in eligible areas for households and businesses through maintenance and repairs of sources of water.

Applicants must show that a major decline in quantity or quality of water occurred within 2 years of the date of the application, or imminent threat of a decline.

- Qualifying emergencies may include drought or flood, earthquake, tornado or hurricane, disease outbreak, chemical spills, and other disasters
- A federal disaster declaration is not required to apply for grant funding

High level requirements to apply for Emergency Community Water Assistance Grants

Michigan's USDA RD office can provide information regarding application requirements, evaluation, and timeline

NON-EXHAUSTIVE



Eligible Entities

- Rurally located bodies;
- Nonprofit organizations;
- Federally recognized tribes



Eligible Uses

- **Water transmission line grants** – up to \$150K to construct waterline extensions, repair breaks or leaks in existing distribution lines, and other related maintenance to replenish the water supply
- **Water source grants** – up to \$1M for the construction of new wells, reservoirs, transmission lines, treatment plants, and/or other sources of water

Additional requirements

- **Applicants must apply through the USDA RD in Michigan**
- Projects must seek to support eligible areas, defined as:
 - Tribal lands in rural areas
 - Rural areas and towns with populations of 10K or less
 - Median household income less than the state's median income for non-metropolitan areas