

	FY 2024 Actual	FY 2025 Estimated	FY 2026 Requested	FY 2026 Recommended
<u>Expenditure By Object</u>				
Salaries & Fringe Benefits	3,033,159	5,000,000	5,000,000	5,000,000
Travel	78,601	78,600	80,000	78,600
Contractual Services	13,991,142	8,049,010	7,114,160	7,064,260
Commodities	266,432	345,450	369,900	345,450
Capital Outlay - Equipment	10,760	43,000	712,764	43,000
Subsidies, Loans & Grants	129,789,112	446,444,168	439,683,487	430,728,533
Totals	147,169,206	459,960,228	452,960,311	443,259,843
<u>To Be Funded As Follows:</u>				
Cash Balance - Unencumbered	-3,361,880	15,165,090	0	0
State Appropriations	585,056	585,056	649,560	585,056
State Support Special Funds	0	0	9,635,964	0
Federal Funds	161,071,143	439,589,270	438,828,191	438,828,191
Disaster Trust Fund	3,858,982	3,626,032	3,822,596	3,822,596
MS Housing Assistance Fund	8,882	39,684	24,000	24,000
March 2023 Storm Housing Mission	172,113	955,096	0	0
Less: Est Cash Available	-15,165,090	0	0	0
Totals	147,169,206	459,960,228	452,960,311	443,259,843
<u>Summary Of Funding</u>				
General Funds	585,056	585,056	649,560	585,056
State Support Funds	0	0	9,635,964	0
Special Funds	146,584,150	459,375,172	442,674,787	442,674,787
Totals	147,169,206	459,960,228	452,960,311	443,259,843

Agency Description and Programs

The MEMA - Disaster Relief - Consolidated fund was established under Section 33-15-7, Mississippi Code of 1972, which tasked MEMA with supporting emergency management statewide. This responsibility requires the agency to develop, coordinate and support preparedness, response, recovery, and mitigation efforts for all technological, man-made, or natural hazards necessary to help keep cities, counties, and the state's citizens safe and from harm. Funds appropriated annually are used to support certain administrative expenses and the state and federal share of the cost of disaster assistance programs, including public assistance programs, individual and family grant programs, and mitigation programs associated with declared disasters. The Legislature intends that MEMA maintain a minimum of nine (9) Area Coordinators to assist local jurisdictions with emergency management activities daily and provide quicker responses to incidents and/or disasters.

1. Emergency Management Preparedness

The purpose of this program is to monitor all eighty-two (82) counties and the associated municipal jurisdictions within those counties and coordinate the state response to any event that may threaten life and/or property. This is accomplished by rapid notification of emergency management personnel, warning and informing the public, coordinating evacuation and sheltering operations, conducting search and rescue efforts, providing medical assistance and provisioning, conducting damage assessments, and supporting law enforcement. Initial response efforts are focused locally and are expanded to include resource support and state and federal government assistance.

2. Recovery

This program helps citizens, local governments, non-profit associations, state agencies, and businesses in helping recover from disasters. Individual Assistance Programs help to provide the state's twenty-five percent (25%) cost share to the federal government for disaster victims through the Other Needs Assistance and Housing Assistance Programs. These funds help victims repair their homes, provide rental assistance, or help provide money for other uninsured items such as clothing, furniture, medications, or vehicles. The program also runs the State's Temporary Housing Program to reimburse rental costs for up to three (3) months for displaced citizens. The Public Assistance Program helps meet the state's ten percent (10%) or twenty-five percent (25%) grant share towards programs that support local and state governments, non-profit organizations, and other political subdivisions to repair, replace, or restore disaster-damaged, publicly owned facilities.

3. Mitigation

This program is the cornerstone of emergency management and is the ongoing effort to lessen disasters' impact on people's lives and property through damage prevention and flood insurance. The program helps to meet the state's twenty-five percent (25%) match on mitigation programs that include building safely within floodplains, removing homes from floodplains, engineering buildings and infrastructures to withstand earthquakes, and creating and enforcing effective building codes to protect property from floods, hurricanes, and other natural hazards. As part of the safe room/storm shelter program, citizens can be reimbursed up to seventy-five percent (75%) of their costs from the federal government if specific standards are applied.

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<u>Summary By Program</u>				
1. Emergency Mgmt Preparedness				
Total Funds	36,699,891	157,540,546	156,934,221	156,188,707
2. Recovery				
Total Funds	107,368,831	234,599,915	193,670,192	193,670,192
3. Mitigation				
Total Funds	3,100,484	67,819,767	102,355,898	93,400,944