



Why This Matters

The City of Elizabeth, New Jersey (City), received a Public Assistance grant award of just over \$18.0 million from the New Jersey Office of Emergency Management, a Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) grantee, for damages resulting from Hurricane Sandy that occurred on October 29, 2012. FEMA provides assistance to State, Tribal, and local governments, and certain private nonprofit organizations so that communities can quickly respond to and recover from major disasters or emergencies declared by the President.

The City of Elizabeth, New Jersey, Has Adequate Policies, Procedures, and Business Practices in Place to Effectively Manage FEMA Public Assistance Grant Funds

What We Determined

The City has adequate policies, procedures and business practices in place to account for and expend Public Assistance grant funds according to Federal regulations and FEMA guidelines. The City accounted for disaster costs on a project-by-project basis and adequately supported the costs. Further, the City has adequate procurement policies and procedures in place to ensure compliance with Federal procurement requirements.

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