

Spotlight

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Why This Matters

The New York City Department of Correction (Department) received a Public Assistance grant award of \$20.1 million, from the New York State Department of Homeland Security Emergency Services, 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.

New York City Department of Correction Has Adequate Policies, Procedures, and Business Practices in Place to Effectively Manage FEMA Public Assistance Grant Funds

What We Determined

The Department 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 Department accounted for disaster costs on a project-by-project basis and adequately supported the costs. Further, the Department has adequate procurement policies and procedures in place to ensure compliance with Federal procurement requirements.

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