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## Federal cost-share for Sandy cleanup, rebuilding projects in New York increased to 90 percent

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**NEW YORK** – At the request of New York Governor Andrew Cuomo, President Obama has approved a federal cost-share increase for projects funded by the Federal Emergency Management Agency’s Public Assistance grant program from 75 percent to 90 percent.

This increase allows FEMA to reimburse local, state and tribal governments and certain private nonprofit organizations 90 percent of eligible costs of emergency expenses, debris removal and infrastructure repair. The remaining 10 percent is provided by non-federal funds.

After Hurricane Sandy struck, the President authorized 100 percent federal funding for 15 days for emergency power restoration and emergency public transportation. The increase to 90 percent applies to Public Assistance projects not eligible for the 100 percent funding.

To date, FEMA has approved nearly \$1.3 billion in Public Assistance grants to help New York communities recover and rebuild.

To learn more about FEMA Public Assistance in New York, visit: [fema.gov/public-assistance-local-state-tribal-and-non-profit](http://fema.gov/public-assistance-local-state-tribal-and-non-profit) and [dhses.ny.gov/oem/recovery/](http://dhses.ny.gov/oem/recovery/).

For more information on New York's disaster recovery, visit [fema.gov/sandyny](https://www.fema.gov/sandyny), [twitter.com/FEMASandy](https://twitter.com/FEMASandy), [facebook.com/FEMASandy](https://www.facebook.com/FEMASandy) and [fema.gov/blog](https://www.fema.gov/blog).

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