

## § 671.105

which cannot be met with formula allotments.

### **§ 671.105 What funds are available for national emergency grants?**

We use funds reserved under WIA section 132(a)(2)(A) to provide financial assistance to eligible applicant for grants under WIA section 173.

### **§ 671.110 What are major economic dislocations or other events which may qualify for a national emergency grant?**

These include:

- (a) Plant closures;
- (b) Mass layoffs affecting 50 or more workers at a single site of employment;
- (c) Closures and realignments of military installations;
- (d) Multiple layoffs in a single local community that have significantly increased the total number of unemployed individuals in a community;
- (e) Emergencies or natural disasters, as defined in paragraphs (1) and (2) respectively, of section 102 of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 5122(1) and (2)) which have been declared eligible for public assistance by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA); and
- (f) Other events, as determined by the Secretary.

### **§ 671.120 Who is eligible to apply for national emergency grants?**

(a) *For projects within a State.* A State, a Local Board or another entity determined to be appropriate by the Governor of the State in which the project is located may apply for a national emergency grant. Also, Indian tribes, tribal organizations, Alaska Native entities, Indian-controlled organizations serving Indians, or Native Hawaiian organizations which are recipients of funds under section 166 of the Act (Indian and Native American Programs) may apply for a national emergency grant.

(b) *For inter-State projects.* Consortia of States and/or Local Boards may apply. Other private entities which can demonstrate, in the application for assistance, that they possess unique capabilities to effectively respond to the circumstances of the major economic

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dislocation(s) covered in the application may apply.

(c) *Other entities.* The Secretary may consider applications from other entities, to ensure that appropriate assistance is provided in response to major economic dislocations.

### **§ 671.125 What are the requirements for submitting applications for national emergency grants?**

We publish instructions for submitting applications for National Emergency Grants in the FEDERAL REGISTER. The instructions specify application procedures, selection criteria and the approval process.

### **§ 671.130 When should applications for national emergency grants be submitted to the Department?**

(a) Applications for national emergency grants to respond to mass layoffs and plant closures may be submitted to the Department as soon as:

(1) The State receives a notification of a mass layoff or a closure as a result of a WARN notice, a general announcement or some other means determined by the Governor to be sufficient to respond;

(2) Rapid response assistance has been initiated; and

(3) A determination has been made, in collaboration with the applicable Local Board(s) and chief elected official(s), that State and local formula dislocated worker funds are inadequate to provide the level of services needed by the workers being laid off.

(b) An eligible entity may apply for a national emergency grant at any time during the year.

(c) Applications for national emergency grants to respond to a declared emergency or natural disaster as described in § 671.110(e), cannot be considered until FEMA has declared that the affected area is eligible for disaster-related public assistance.

### **§ 671.140 What are the allowable activities and what dislocated workers may be served under national emergency grants?**

(a) National emergency grants may provide adjustment assistance for eligible dislocated workers, described at WIA section 173(c)(2) or (d)(2).