



**Legislative Memo  
February 12, 2015  
FY 2017 DHS Budget Proposal**

**TO:** NEMA Membership  
**FROM:** Jimmy Gianato, Legislative Committee Chairman  
**DATE:** February 12, 2016  
**RE:** President's FY 2017 Budget Proposal

<b>Federal Emergency Management Agency</b>	<b>FY 2016 (Enacted)</b>	<b>FY 2017 (Request)</b>
Operations & Support (O&S)*	\$949,296,000	\$927,524,000
USAR System	\$27,513,000	\$35,180,000
Mount Weather	\$27,500,000	\$27,500,000
Management & Administration	\$353,134,000	\$447,794,000
Emergency Management Assistance Compact	\$2,000,000	\$878,000
Emergency Management Performance Grants	\$350,000,000	\$350,000,000
State & Local Programs (Total)	\$1,317,000,000	\$857,000,000
SHSGP	\$467,000,000	\$200,000,000
UASI	\$600,000,000	\$330,000,000
Transit Security	\$100,000,000	\$85,000,000
Port Security	\$100,000,000	\$93,000,000
Countering Violent Extremism^	\$50,000,000	\$49,000,000
Regional Competition Grant Program	-----	\$100,000,000
FIRE/SAFER	\$690,000,000	\$670,000,000
Education, Training, & Exercising	\$233,000,000	\$157,493,000
U.S. Fire Administration	\$44,000,000	\$48,812,000
Predisaster Mitigation Program	\$100,000,000	\$54,000,000
National Flood Insurance Fund (Discretionary)	\$181,198,000	\$181,799,000
National Flood Insurance Fund (Total)	\$5,181,053,000	\$6,154,479,000
Flood Hazard Mapping and Risk Analysis	\$190,000,000	\$178,000,000
Emergency Food & Shelter+	\$120,000,000	\$100,000,000
Disaster Relief Fund	\$7,350,693	\$7,024,515

\*Operations & Support was formerly Salaries & Expenses

^Countering Violent Extremism (CVE) was added last minute to the FY16 Omnibus

+The budget proposes shifting this program to HUD in FY17

### **State & Local Programs Shift**

The FY17 budget requests reflects significant decreases for State and Local grants for first responders including the SHSGP and UASI accounts. Language included in the request explains this reduction “reflects FEMA’s successful investments in prior year grants awarded” and capability/capacity measurement tools help inform investments “based on required capability levels rather than the funding levels of prior years.” The reduction also reflects the realignment of \$1 million in funding for JCTAWS to the Management and Administration account.

For the first time since FY12, the budget request did not include the National Preparedness Grant Program proposal to consolidate State and Local grants into a larger, unified grant program. Attempts to gain support in Congress failed, even after legislative language was developed to assuage concerns.

### **Funding for New Priorities**

FEMA requests \$857 million for State and Local Programs for FY 2017 which will include two new priority accounts. Countering Violent Extremism (CVE) funding was added late in the budget negotiations for FY16 and \$49 million is included in the FY17 request. This number includes \$10 million in grant funds for Countering Violent Extremism and \$39 million for activities targeted at preventing, preparing for, responding to Complex Coordinated terrorist attacks.

The S&L Programs account also includes a new “Regional Competition Grant Program” which is funded at \$100 million. Details are not immediately available on the intent of this program.

### **DHS Budget Highlights Cybersecurity**

The White House’s proposal addresses cybersecurity concerns, in part by requesting \$471 million for the National Cybersecurity Protection System to help maintain the EINSTEIN program to protect government networks against online threats. It also asks for \$274.8 million for the Continuous Diagnostics and Mitigation program to provide hardware, software and services to bolster the .gov networks.

Overall, the White House proposes \$19 billion in federal funding across various agencies for cybersecurity in fiscal 2017, which it says would be an increase of some 35 percent on fiscal 2016 levels.

### **Budget Submission Structure**

Initiatives to strengthen DHS business processes continue with the submission of the Budget in a new Common Appropriations Structure that will improve the Department’s planning, programming, budgeting, and execution processes through a common framework of four standardized appropriations. This transition is reflected in the budget and congressional justification document.

*The full text of the President’s FY2016 Budget ([and DHS Appendix](#)) can be found online. The Legislative Committee and NEMA-DC Office stand ready to assist you with requests for any additional information. Please contact Alexa Noruk at (202) 624-5459 ([anoruk@csg.org](mailto:anoruk@csg.org)) or Rachel Mouser at (202) 624-5381 ([rmouser@csg.org](mailto:rmouser@csg.org))*