

## **\$24 Million in Readiness and Emergency Management for Schools Grants Awarded to 34 States**

### **92 school districts to use funds to help improve readiness and emergency management**

The Readiness and Emergency Management for Schools (REMS) discretionary grant program provides funds for local education agencies (LEAs or school districts) to improve and strengthen their emergency management plans. For a school district to qualify for a grant, its improved plan must address all four phases of emergency management: Prevention-Mitigation, Preparedness, Response and Recovery. Plans also must commit school districts to coordinate with officials in law enforcement, local government, public safety, public health and mental health; train school officials in emergency management; and provide a method for communicating emergency and reunification procedures to parents and guardians. Measures also should support the implementation of the National Incident Management System (NIMS), which works to prevent the outbreak of infectious disease and should take into consideration districts' special needs populations.

Funds may be used to coordinate with local emergency responders, including fire, police, and health and public health agencies; conduct drills and exercises; purchase emergency supplies and equipment; and to train staff and students on emergency response procedures.

The grants are housed within the Office of Safe and Drug-Free Schools, which supports efforts to create safe schools, respond to crises, prevent drug and alcohol abuse, ensure the health and well being of students, and teach students good citizenship and character. The office also coordinates the Department's efforts in these areas with other federal agencies.

A complete list of the 92 grant awards follows:

#### **Alabama**

DeKalb County School District  
Rainsville, AL  
Charles Warren, project director  
\$92,520

Franklin County Board of Education  
Russellville, AL  
Susan Hargett, project director  
\$99,347

#### **Arizona**

Crane Elementary School District  
Yuma, AZ  
Christopher Weigel, project director  
\$128,255

Flagstaff Unified School District  
Flagstaff, AZ  
Bob Kuhn, project director  
\$397,957

Yuma Union High School District  
Yuma, AZ  
Tim Vlasak, project director  
\$197,499

Red Mesa Unified School District  
Teec Nos Pos, AZ  
Michael Hughes, project director  
\$99,000

#### **California**

San Diego Unified School District  
San Diego, CA

Don Braun, project director  
\$484,210

Garden Grove Unified School District  
Garden Grove, CA  
Sue McCann, project director  
\$925,409

Triumph Charter Academy  
San Fernando, CA  
Sharon Mamane, project director  
\$266,462

Grossmont Union High School District  
El Cajon, CA  
Jodi Sevilla, project director  
\$496,297

Coachella Valley Unified School District  
Thermal, CA  
Duke Tanuvasa, project director  
\$236,135

William S. Hart Union High School  
District  
Santa Clarita, CA  
Robert Weber, project director  
\$152,625

Castro Valley Unified School District  
Castro Valley, CA  
Richard Schneck, project director  
\$99,984

Palm Springs Unified School District  
Palm Springs, CA  
Roy Hill, project director  
\$158,770

Stanislaus County Office of Education  
Modesto, CA,  
Vicki Bauman, project director  
\$401,626

Nevada Joint Union High School District  
Grass Valley, CA  
Cindy Gordon, project director  
\$240,820

Oakland Unity High School  
Oakland, CA

Sau-Lim Tsang, project director  
\$243,064

Fullerton School District  
Fullerton, CA  
Kathryn Ikola, project director  
\$249,997

San Francisco Unified School District  
San Francisco, CA  
David Goldin, project director  
\$544,205

Napa County Office of Education  
Napa, CA  
Terry Longoria, project director  
\$493,097

North Sacramento Area School District  
Sacramento, CA  
Matlock Heyman, project director  
\$367,546

Baldwin Park Unified School District  
Baldwin Park, CA  
Stephen Bayne, project director  
\$298,082

## **Colorado**

Durango School District  
Durango, CO  
Kathleen Morris, project director  
\$100,001

## **Connecticut**

New Fairfield Public Schools  
New Fairfield, CT  
John Boccuzzi, project director  
\$90,250

## **District of Columbia**

District of Columbia Public Schools  
Washington, DC  
Brian Killian, project director  
\$791,545

## **Georgia**

Rockdale County Board of Education  
Conyers, GA  
Garret Brundage, project director  
\$229,277

## **Hawaii**

Hawaii Department of Education  
Honolulu, HI  
Mark Behrens, project director  
\$747,978

## **Idaho**

Madison School District  
Rexburg, ID  
Randy Lords, project director  
\$99,463

Kamiah Joint School District  
Kamiah, ID  
Vickie Jackson, project director  
\$196,956

## **Illinois**

Decatur Public School District  
Decatur, IL  
Michael Sotiroff, project director  
\$199,660

Benton Consolidated High School  
District  
Benton, IL  
Marla Harp, project director  
\$109,461

Crete-Monee Community Unit School  
District  
Crete, IL  
George Elrod, project director  
\$205,502

Alton Community Unite School District  
Alton, IL  
Kristie Baumgartner, project director  
\$243,503

St. Clair County Education Coop. Bd.  
Belleville, IL  
Rosella Wamser, project director  
\$487,640

Aurora Public Schools  
Aurora, IL  
Brooke Young, project director  
\$248,515

## **Indiana**

Metro School District of Warren  
Township  
Indianapolis, IN  
Mark Harsley, project director  
\$224,351

South Montgomery Community School  
Corporation  
New Market, IN  
Michael Sowers, project director  
\$97,704

Herron High School  
Indianapolis, IN  
Janet McNeal, project director  
\$96,418

## **Iowa**

Cedar Falls Community School District  
Cedar Falls, IA  
Sue Gettman, project director  
\$232,550

Des Moines Independent School District  
Des Moines, IA  
Greg Davis, project director  
\$471,428

Maple Valley Community Schools  
Mapleton, IA  
Patricia Ryan, project director  
\$137,070

## **Kentucky**

Oldham County Board of Education  
Buckner, KY

Michael Williams, project director  
\$256,226

Bourbon County Schools  
Paris, KY  
Tom Mills, project director  
\$99,527

Laurel County Public School District  
London, KY  
Duff Holcomb, project director  
\$219,786

### **Louisiana**

Algiers Charter School Association  
New Orleans, LA  
Alan Delery, project director  
\$282,473

### **Maine**

Portland Public School District  
Portland, ME  
R. Scott Wyman, project director  
\$266,270

### **Maryland**

Board of Education of Frederick County  
Frederick, MD  
Clifton Cornwell, project director  
\$212,471

### **Massachusetts**

Somerville Public Schools  
Somerville, MA  
Frank DiChiappari, project director  
\$100,000

Quabbin Regional School District  
Barre, MA  
Lynne Shaw, project director  
\$135,095

New Bedford Public Schools  
New Bedford, MA  
Andrew O'Leary, project director  
\$220,382

### **Michigan**

Saginaw Intermediate School District  
Saginaw, MI  
Thomas Mysnberge, project director  
\$410,275

Bloomfield Hills School District  
Bloomfield Hills, MI  
Brian Goby, project director  
\$243,971

Grand Rapids Public Schools  
Grand Rapids, MI  
Larry Johnson, project director  
\$494,123

### **Mississippi**

Noxubee County School District  
Macon, MS  
Evelyn Murray, project director  
\$221,339

Montgomery County School District  
Winona, MS  
Michael Hood, project director  
\$99,400

### **Missouri**

Kennett #39 School District  
Kennett, MO  
Deborah Cook, project director  
\$125,984

### **New Jersey**

Bergen County Technical Schools  
Paramus, NJ  
Joshua Wayne, project director  
\$214,801

Lakewood Public School District  
Lakewood, NJ  
Agnes Jennings, project director  
\$228,950

West New York Board of Education  
West New York, NJ

John Fauta, project director  
\$100,000

Kinnelon Public School District  
Kinnelon, NJ  
Matthew Scanlon, project director  
\$99,603

Egg Harbor Regional High School  
District  
Mays Landing, NJ  
Margaret Doran, project director  
\$89,491

### **New Mexico**

Santa Fe Public Schools  
Santa Fe, NM  
Doug Conwell, project director  
\$248,355

Gadsden Independent School District  
Anthony, NM  
Joe Mendez, project director  
\$168,183

### **New York**

Hampton Bays Union Free School  
District  
Hampton Bays, N  
Donna Moss, project director  
\$100,000

Syracuse City School District  
Syracuse, NY  
Michael Puntschenko, project director  
\$250,000

Renaissance Charter School  
Jackson Heights, NY  
Stacie Gauthier, project director  
\$261,823

Copiague Union Free School District  
Copiague, NY  
Charles Leunig, project director  
\$99,016

### **North Carolina**

Burke County Public Schools  
Morganton, NC  
Tina Brookes, project director  
\$244,843

Orange County Schools  
Hillsborough, NC  
Frank Meadows, project director  
\$282,782

### **Ohio**

Bloom Carroll School District  
Carroll, OH  
Eric Landversicht, project director  
\$98,803

South-Western City Schools  
Grove City, OH  
Harvey Nesser, project director  
\$247,980

Canton City Schools  
Canton, OH  
James Irvin, project director  
\$247,602

Dayton Public Schools  
Dayton, OH  
Andre Roldan, project director  
\$493,034

### **Pennsylvania**

Allentown School District  
Allentown, PA  
Gretchen Saul, project director  
\$232,760

Wyomissing School District  
Wyomissing, PA  
Pamela Pulkowski, project director  
\$92,397

### **South Carolina**

Williamsburg County School District  
Kingstree, SC  
Boykin Parson, project director  
\$98,055

Anderson Five School District  
Anderson, SC  
William Dukes, project director  
\$209,222

Laurens County School District  
Clinton, SC  
David Pitts, project director  
\$99,759

York School District One  
York, SC  
Lisa Spangler, project director  
\$109,246

### **Tennessee**

Memphis City Schools  
Memphis, TN  
Linda Delaney, project director  
\$491,308

### **Texas**

ESC Region 2  
Corpus Christi, TX  
Randy Purdy, project director  
\$644,290

Region 5 ESD  
Beaumont, TX  
Sherrie Thomas, project director  
\$247,708

### **Utah**

Cache County School District  
North Logan, UT  
Stacie Stewart, project director  
\$248,710

### **Virginia**

Loudoun County Public Schools  
Ashburn, VA  
Robert Burke, project director  
\$699,419

Chesterfield County Public Schools  
Chesterfield, VA

Timothy Mallory, project director  
\$326,957

Dinwiddie County Public Schools  
Dinwiddie, VA  
Marie Grant, project director  
\$95,880

Russell County Public Schools  
Lebanon, VA  
Lorraine Turner, project director  
\$178,679

Roanoke City Public Schools  
Roanoke, VA  
Mac Westland, project director  
\$630,561

### **Washington**

Seattle Public Schools  
Seattle, WA  
Pegi McEvoy, project director  
\$503,797

North Central ESD  
Wenatchee, WA  
Mike Lynch, project director  
\$138,585

### **West Virginia**

Jefferson County Board of Education  
Charles Town, WV  
Sherri Hoff, project director  
\$157,900

### **Wisconsin**

School District of Janesville  
Janesville, WI  
Karen Schulte, project director  
\$250,000