

FACT SHEET

RAPID RESPONSE TO EXTREME WEATHER EVENTS ACROSS FOOD AND AGRICULTURE SYSTEMS (A1712)



Rapid responses to extreme weather events are critical to maintaining a secure, accessible, safe, nutritious, affordable, and abundant food supply. Innovative extension and applied research efforts are needed to alleviate the impacts of extreme weather and disasters across the food and agricultural system.

STANDARD GRANTS AND STRENGTHENING STANDARD GRANTS

This AFRI program is designed to rapidly deploy strategies and fill knowledge and information gaps to protect the nation's food and agricultural supply chains, from production through consumption, during and after extreme weather and weather-related disasters. All submissions must directly address effects associated with an extreme weather event or disaster. Applications must address one or more of the following emphasis areas:

- Agroecosystem Resilience
- Agricultural Commodity and Nutrition Security
- Health, Well-being, and Safety

Program area requirements

For Standard Grants and Strengthening Standard Grants, integrative partnerships are encouraged by leveraging existing extension networks. This program area seeks applications that:

- Focus on critical and urgent solutions in rapid response to disaster impacts on the nation's food and agricultural systems.
- Support or add value to existing educational materials regarding extreme weather, disasters, and naturally occurring hazards.
- Integrate youth and adult volunteer development aspects by leveraging existing extension networks and outreach programs, including 4-H and positive youth development efforts.
- Clearly describe short-term deliverables (within 3 months of award receipt).
- Clearly define the geographic scope of the project as related to the extreme weather event or disaster.

IMPORTANT FACTS FOR FY2022

- Rapid Response to Extreme Weather is a new AFRI program
- Standard and Strengthening Standard grant project award duration is 12 months
- Extension or Integrated (research and extension) projects only
- Awards are up to \$300,000



Timeline

- A letter of intent must be submitted within 14 calendar days after an extreme weather event or disaster.
- A response with a decision from NIFA will be sent within 14 calendar days after the letter of intent is received.
- Upon invitation, an application must be submitted within 21 calendar days.

APPLYING FOR FUNDING

Only electronic applications submitted via Grants.gov will be accepted. For further guidance on how to apply visit [AFRI Foundational and Applied Science RFA](#).

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