

Emergency Food and Shelter National Board Program

Time Frame.

Phase 31 (September 1, 2013 – August, 2014) of the Emergency Food and Shelter National Board Program is in the planning phase, with funds expected during December, 2013.

Amount of Funding.

Total funding for Phase 31 nationally is \$113,805,031. Last year's funding was \$120,000,000.

Actual Impact on Iowa counties.

Total funding in Iowa (SSA and Direct) decreased from \$532,716 in Phase 30 to \$520,263 in Phase 31. The national allocation formula is very responsive to annual changes in unemployment and poverty rates.

State Set-Aside.

The Iowa allocation for the Phase 31 State Set-Aside Program is \$170,973 compared to \$201,781 for Phase 30. Allowed administrative costs are \$855 with \$170,118 available for distribution to the non-directly funded counties. The State Set-Aside Board uses an Equal Thirds Formula (unemployment, food stamp & poverty data) to determine funding. The Federal minimum funding level as of August, 2011 is \$2,800. Upon reviewing the results of the Equal Thirds formula for the 88 counties, 70 counties fell below the threshold for funding. The following 18 counties have been approved funding:

- Benton \$2,800
- Boone \$2,800
- Cerro Gordo \$9,672
- Clinton \$11,630
- Dallas \$7,603
- Dubuque \$16,484
- Fayette \$2,800
- Jackson \$2,800
- Jasper \$7,279
- Jefferson \$2,800
- Lee \$8,778
- Linn \$41,350
- Mahaska \$5,331
- Marion \$5,086
- Marshall \$8,436

- Muscatine \$8,615
- Pottawattamie \$19,358
- Warren \$6,496

Directly Funded counties.

Last year 9 Iowa counties received a direct allocation from the National Board. These counties received a total of \$330,935. This year 11 counties qualified for direct entitlement totaling \$349,290. The criteria for selection for the Phase 31 Direct funding were:

- Jurisdictions, including the balance of counties, with 300 or more unemployed and a 9.8% rate of unemployment; or,
- Jurisdictions, including balance of counties, with 300 or more unemployed and a 16.3% rate of poverty

The Phase 31 directly funding counties are:

- Black Hawk \$40,024
- Des Moines \$13,722
- Henry \$5,872
- Johnson \$29,683
- Polk \$127,315
- Scott \$56,938
- Story \$18,756
- Union \$3,559
- Wapello \$12,937
- Webster \$12,256
- Woodbury \$28,228