













# **EMERGENCY FOOD AND SHELTER NATIONAL BOARD PROGRAM**

# UPDATE - FISCAL YEAR 2023 HUMANITARIAN SPENDING PERIOD EXTENSION NOTIFICATION AND REQUEST FOR INFORMATION

This is an update to the earlier notification regarding the Spending Period End Date for Fiscal Year (FY) 2023 humanitarian funding awarded to agencies to provide services to individuals and families encountered by the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) at the southern border, including maritime entrances.

## FY23 HUMANITARIAN FUNDING SPENDING PERIOD EXTENSION TO MAY 31, 2024

In November 2023, the National Board approved and announced an extension of the FY23 Spending Period for humanitarian funding to April 30, 2024. Based on additional feedback, on February 9, 2024, the National Board approved an additional extension for the FY23 Spending Period to May 31, 2024. Only FY23 funding may be spent during this extended period. Any unspent funds from ARPA-H (FY21) and HR22 (FY22) that were awarded to agencies must be returned to the National Board. Please reference the FY23 Humanitarian Relief Funding Guidance for information about eligible expenses. All eligible expenses must be incurred by May 31, 2024. Any unspent funds at the end of the new spending period date must be returned to the National Board. Agencies that received FY23 advanced humanitarian funding will now have to submit Final Reports to the National Board by July 15, 2024. A reminder notification will be sent to agencies regarding the Final Report submission closer to the extended spending deadline of May 31, 2024.

#### NATIONAL BOARD REQUEST FOR INFORMATION - RESPONSE REQUESTED BY MARCH 31, 2024

To help with planning, the National Board requests a brief response to the following two questions by March 31, 2024.

- 1. Will your agency need additional time, beyond May 31, 2024, to spend the already awarded FY23 humanitarian funding?
- 2. Please provide an estimate of the FY23 humanitarian funding that will not be spent by May 31, 2024.

#### Please respond using the survey posted here.

#### FEMA'S SHELTER AND SERVICES PROGRAM

Remember that emergency migrant care is now supported by the Federal Emergency Management Agency's (FEMA) Shelter and Services Program (SSP). FEMA, in coordination with Custom and Border Protection (CBP), will administer grants or cooperative agreements with state, local, and tribal governments as well as nongovernmental organizations through SSP. The SSP program also helps to support communities in managing migrant processing and preventing the overcrowding of short-term CBP holding facilities. More information about the program is available <a href="here">here</a>.

## **QUESTIONS**

If there are questions or concerns regarding this notification, please feel free to reach out to EFSP staff at <a href="mailto:suppfund@uww.unitedway.org">suppfund@uww.unitedway.org</a>. Please refer any questions you may have about SSP to <a href="mailto:FEMA-SSP@fema.dhs.gov">FEMA-SSP@fema.dhs.gov</a>.

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