



STATE OF MICHIGAN  
DEPARTMENT OF STATE POLICE  
LANSING

RICK SNYDER  
GOVERNOR

COL. KRISTE KIBBEY ETUE  
DIRECTOR

August 16, 2017

Dear Local Representative:

Governor Rick Snyder opened the application period for funding under Section 19 of the Emergency Management Act to provide funds to Bay, Gladwin, Isabella and Midland Counties and local governments within those counties that incurred extraordinary expenses because of the storms and subsequent severe flooding on June 22 and 23, 2017. Section 19 provides reimbursement from the State Disaster and Emergency Contingency Fund for eligible disaster expenditures up to \$100,000, or 10 percent of the total annual operating budget, whichever is less, for each eligible political subdivision. Grants can only be awarded in areas that have been declared an emergency or disaster by the Governor.

You are invited to attend one of two applicant briefings that have been scheduled, both taking place on Monday August 21, 2017. The first briefing will be held at 10 a.m. at the Isabella County Commission on Aging, 2200 South Lincoln Road, Mount Pleasant, Michigan 48858. The second briefing will be held at 2 p.m. at Midland Law Enforcement Center in the main conference room, 2727 Rodd Street, Midland, Michigan 48640. Officials from the Michigan State Police, Emergency Management and Homeland Security Division (EMHSD) will explain the Section 19 procedures, requirements and limitations. Application forms and other material will be distributed at the briefing.

Officials will also answer questions about Section 19 grants to assist you in preparing your application. You may wish to have the person responsible for your jurisdiction's financial matters attend with you. Since applicants often have questions about their eligibility, I suggest you bring a copy of your general fund operating budget from last year and a copy of the budget for the affected agency or agencies within the jurisdiction for the current year. Also bring a list of estimated disaster expenditures. We will answer individual questions about eligibility after the general session.

Please note the briefing is not intended for individuals or businesses since only governmental entities are eligible for Section 19 disaster assistance.

If you have any questions regarding Section 19 grants, please contact EMHSD's Financial Officer, Ms. Penny Burger at 517-284-3991.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Chris A. Kelenske".

Chris A. Kelenske, Commander  
Deputy State Director of Emergency Management  
and Homeland Security