

# Grant Request Review Summary

**Grant Name:** Individual Safe Rooms

**Grant Provided By:** FEMA  
**Administered By:** TDEM

**Requested by:** Charley Lanier

**Amount of Grant:** 50% of cost, up to \$3,000 per room, plus 5% to county for administration

**How Paid:** Reimbursed from invoices  
**Unused Funds:** N/A

**County Match:** Not required  
**Amount of Match Required:** N/A  
**Where will county match funds come from:** N/A

**Begin Date** Late 2022 (TDEM best estimate)

**End Date** 3 Years from Start Date

**Purpose of Grant:** To provide county residents, including Nocona and Saint Jo, with reimbursement as an encouragement to install FEMA approved safe rooms at their homes. (Bowie has applied for this program separately.)

**Other Entities Involved:** Individual home owners

**Reporting Requirement:** To TDEM as each safe room is completed and approved.

**Note** A certified inspector must inspect each installation to ensure compliance with FEMA requirements.

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## Potential Safe Room Installation Assistance from FEMA for Montague County Residents

- Safe room means either a safe room or a storm cellar
- Safe rooms must meet FEMA P-320 or P-361 standards, depending on the design of the safe room
- Participation in the program is voluntary
- All county residents (except those living inside the city limits of Bowie) are eligible to participate in the program (Bowie has applied separately to the program)
- Program participant must bear the full expense of installation, then be reimbursed
- Installation must begin after the grant is awarded; program can run a maximum of 3 years.
- Reimbursement is a MAXIMUM of \$3,000.00 or 50% of installation, whichever is LOWER
- The County is responsible for documenting the site before and after the installation
- The County is also responsible for having a “design professional licensed in the State where the project is located” inspect and approve the installation prior to any reimbursement being considered
- The County acts as a conduit between TDEM and the participant, requesting reimbursement from TDEM and passing it to the participant after all installation conditions have been satisfied
- The County will utilize the Grant Management System (GMS) to correspond with TDEM, the same system currently used by the FEMA Project Coordinator for the FEMA reimbursements
- The county will receive 5% of each reimbursement for administering the program

SECTION 17: MITIGATION ACTIONS

Montague County-Wide – Action #7	
<b>Proposed Action:</b>	Develop and implement a safe room rebate program for individual safe rooms in single-family residences.
<b>BACKGROUND INFORMATION</b>	
<b>Jurisdiction/Location:</b>	Community-wide
<b>Risk Reduction Benefit (Current Cost/Losses Avoided):</b>	Reduce risk to citizens by providing in-home safe rooms in high risk areas during extreme weather events.
<b>Type of Action (Local Plans and Regulations, Structure and Infrastructure projects, Natural Systems Protection, or Education and Awareness)</b>	Structure and Infrastructure

<b>MITIGATION ACTION DETAILS</b>	
<b>Hazard(s) Addressed:</b>	Thunderstorm Wind, Tornado
<b>Effect on New/Existing Buildings:</b>	N/A
<b>Priority (High, Moderate, Low):</b>	High
<b>Estimated Cost:</b>	\$5,000 per safe room
<b>Potential Funding Sources:</b>	Local Funds, State and Federal Grants
<b>Lead Agency/Department Responsible:</b>	
<b>Implementation Schedule:</b>	Within 12 months of plan adoption
<b>Incorporation into Existing Plans:</b>	Emergency Management Plan

<b>COMMENTS</b>