The Alaska earthquake, measuring 7.0 on the Richter scale, occurred on November 30, 2018. Following an assessment, the State identified the need for extensive cleanup in the boroughs of Anchorage and Matanuska-Susitna. The Federal Emergency Management Agency declared a state of emergency for the state, FEMA Declaration EM-3410.

Proposal Summary

The Alaska Department of Labor and Workforce Development submitted an application requesting a total of $4,487,329 in Disaster Recovery National Dislocated Worker Grant (DWG) funding. The funding will allow the state to create disaster-relief employment for eligible individuals to assist with cleanup activities in response to the recent earthquake.

Project Description

The Employment and Training Administration approved DWG funding of $4,487,329, with an initial amount of $1,495,776, which will allow the State to create approximately 253 disaster-relief jobs to address cleanup and recovery of the areas affected by the earthquake.