This Disaster Recovery National Dislocated Worker Grant funding will support the NHE DWG project providing disaster relief jobs and employment services to eligible individuals in the Washington State counties impacted by the health and economic effects of widespread opioid use, addiction, and overdose.

The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services declared the opioid crisis a national public health emergency in October 2017. The proposed grant funding of $886,860 will provide eligible participants with disaster-relief employment as peer recovery specialists to assist individuals impacted by the opioid crisis. The grant funding will also assist with the provision of career, training, and support services to eligible individuals identified as affected by the opioid crisis.

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