



FEBRUARY 11, 2026
ANALYSIS OF FUNDS ALLOCATED TO THE
MINNESOTA FLOOD HAZARD MITIGATION GRANT
ASSISTANCE PROGRAM – 1988 TO 2025

The Red River Watershed Management Board (RRWMB) analyzed statewide allocations to the Flood Hazard Mitigation Grant Assistance Program (FHMGP) using data available from the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources (DNR). The data used for this analysis is titled “History of Flood Hazard Mitigation Funding Allocations” dated August 2025 and is available on the DNRs website at this location: [History of Flood Hazard Mitigation Funding Allocations](#)

The RRWMB does not guarantee the accuracy of this information as some assumptions were made regarding historical data and which type of Local Governmental Units (LGU) were awarded FHMGP funds. Below are facts about the FHMGP based on the RRWMB analysis:

- The FHMGP started in 1988 and has been in existence for 38 years, with \$2 million being allocated by the Minnesota Legislature the first year.
- FHMGP funds are administered by the DNR and are passed through to LGUs statewide including watershed districts, counties, cities, townships, and Lake Improvement Districts.
- Since 1988, the FHMGP has allocated \$587,238,023 to LGUs. This does not include general funds or disaster allocations.
- No funds were allocated to the FHMGP in 1989, 1992, 1996, 2004, 2016, 2019, 2021, 2022, and 2024 (nine years or 24 percent).
- Of the 29 years that funds have been allocated to the FHMGP, the average allocation is \$20,249,587 **to be shared statewide** for flood mitigation projects and efforts.
- The table below illustrates how funds have been allocated to LGUs statewide from 1988 to 2025 for the FHMGP. A pie chart is also included on the next page depicting this information.

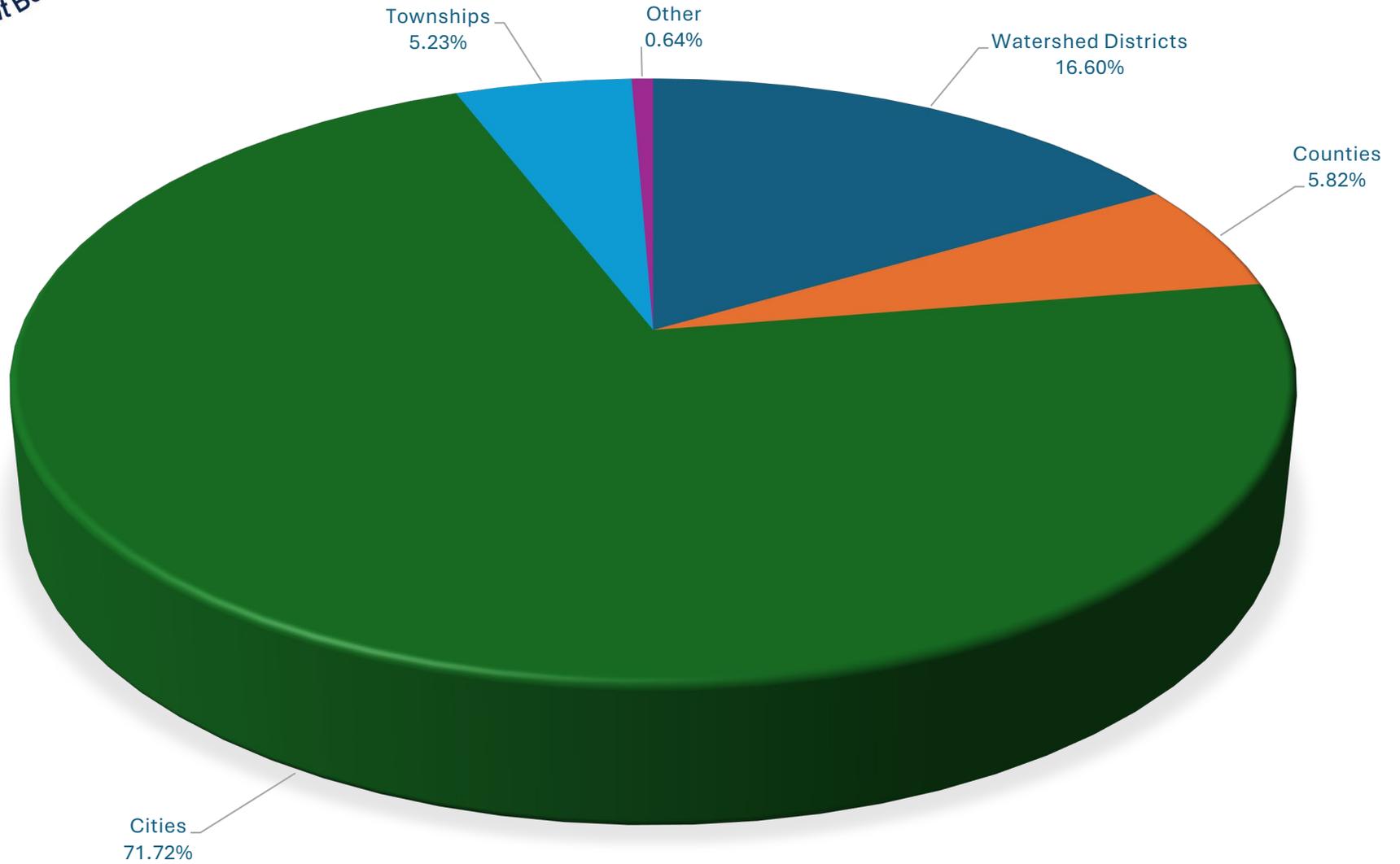
Entity Receiving FHMGP Funds Statewide: 1988 to 2025	Amount of Total FHMGP Allocations Received Statewide: 1988 to 2025	Percent of Total FHMGP Allocations Statewide: 1988 to 2025
Watershed Districts	\$ 97,468,846	16.60%
Counties	\$ 34,155,509	5.82%
Cities	\$421,143,202	71.72%
Townships	\$ 30,734,747	5.23%
Other*	\$ 3,735,719	0.64%
TOTALS	\$587,238,023	100.00%

*Includes FHMGP administration funds for the DNR to manage the program and funds to a Lake Improvement District for \$3 million.

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PROGRAM: ALLOCATIONS TO LOCAL GOVERNMENT 1988 - 2025



Current Known Flood Hazard Mitigation (FHM) Funding Needs

This list of unmet FHM funding needs identifies known projects based on information provided in grant applications and/or correspondence with local units of government. The list is updated periodically as new project applications are submitted, amended, funded, or removed from consideration.

Project	Remaining Project Costs
Blue Earth County – Acquisition of ~6 Flood Prone/Damaged Structures	TBD
Bois de Sioux Watershed District (WD) – Redpath Impoundment (phases 3 & 4)	\$26,487,000
Buffalo Red River WD – Barnesville Twp Stream Restoration, Ag Levees, Storage†	\$15,600,000
Buffalo Red River WD – Upper South Branch Flood Control†	\$15,000,000
Carver Levee Reconstruction (final phase)	\$3,350,000
Fargo-Moorhead (F-M) Diversion Related, Clay County - Clara Cemetery Dike	\$2,000,000
F-M Diversion Related, Clay County - Comstock CR 2 Reconstruction & Ditching	\$5,400,000
F-M Diversion Related, Clay County - Comstock Lagoon	\$5,000,000
F-M Diversion Related, Clay County - Road Raises	\$5,600,000
F-M Diversion Related, Clay County - SE-4 Access Road	\$1,100,000
F-M Diversion Related, Buffalo Red River WD - Georgetown Levee	\$6,780,000
F-M Diversion Related, Buffalo Red River WD - Wolverton Levee	\$17,450,000
Golden Valley – Isaacson Park Industrial Area Storage & Pond Diversion†	\$8,000,000
Golden Valley – Toledo Avenue/Minnaqua Pond Flood Reduction	\$4,100,000
Hawley – levee & channel restoration†	\$2,000,000
Middle Snake Tamarac Rivers WD – Swift Coulee†	\$6,500,000
Moorhead – Lift station improvements	\$16,000,000
Mounds View – SC-2 Drainage Subdistrict Improvements	\$370,293
Nielsville – Levee†	\$3,800,000
North Mankato – Levee Improvements	\$3,260,000
Northfield – Floodwall	\$5,264,000
Northfield – Carleton College Flood Protection	\$3,907,000
Rice Creek WD – Jones Lake Outlet Modification and Dredging	\$7,509,000
Roseau River WD – Roseau Lake Bottom Rehabilitation (phase 6 of 6)	\$4,750,000
Roseau River WD – Whitney Lake Impoundments†	\$9,000,000
Sandhill River WD – Union & Sarah Lake Outlet	\$1,500,000
Two Rivers WD – Klondike Impoundment (phases 1 through 3)	\$33,378,999
Watertown – WWTP & Public Works Access Improvements	\$270,000
Subtotal	\$213,376,292

† Outdated cost estimates, or incomplete application details

Flood Hazard Mitigation Grant Assistance Program Allocations 2010 - 2025

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