

# PUBLIC NOTICE

Putnam County will be applying for Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP) funding through the Tennessee Emergency Management (TEMA) as a sub-recipient.

Under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), federal actions must be reviewed and evaluated for feasible alternatives and for social, economic, historic, environmental, legal, and safety considerations. Under Executive Order (EO) 11988 and EO 11990, FEMA is required to consider alternatives to and to provide a public notice of any proposed actions. EO 12898 also requires FEMA to provide the opportunity for public participation in the planning process and to consider potential impacts to minority and low-income populations. This notice may also fulfill requirements under Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA).

Funding for the proposed project will be conditional upon compliance with all applicable federal, tribal, state, and local laws, regulations, floodplain standards, permit requirements and conditions.

**Applicant:** Putnam County

**Project Title:** 2022 Putnam County FEMA Generator Project

**Location of Proposed Work:** Within the Boundaries of Putnam County. The properties are in the following areas.

1. Cookeville Community Center on Carlen Drive,
2. Putnam County Library on East Broad Street,
3. Putnam County Schools Central Office on East Spring Street,
4. Putnam County Courthouse on East Spring Street,
5. Putnam County Schools Technology Department on Phifer Mountain Road,
6. Algood Community Center on 4th Avenue,
7. Algood City Hall on West Main Street,
8. Monterey Community Center on East Commercial Avenue,
9. Putnam County Fire Station # 23 on Goodson Trail, and
10. Boma Community Center on Boma Community Center Road

**Name of Structure:** Ten (10) Properties within the boundaries of Putnam County

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**Special Flood Hazard Area Zone:** This project is for the installation of ten (10) generators. Confirmation of location in an SFHA was made by reference to the latest Flood Insurance Rate Map, Panel numbers: 47141C0140D, 47141C0305D, 47141C0130D, 47141C0170D, and 47141C0095D. The proposed work conforms to all applicable State of Tennessee and local floodplain regulations. The proposed work will be to install the generators on concrete pads outside of the existing buildings.

**Proposed Work and Purpose:**

The Metropolitan Government of Putnam County is requesting funds to acquire and install ten (10) generators in the county. The purpose of this project is to protect residents in the event of a natural disaster or widespread power outages.

**Project Alternatives:**

**Alternative #1** (no action alternative): Taking no action would result in the possibility of residents being without electricity for an indefinite amount of time.

**Comment Period:**

Comments are solicited from the public; local, state, or federal agencies; and other interested parties in order to consider and evaluate the impacts of the proposed project. The comments should be made in writing and addressed to the Metropolitan Government of Putnam County. All comments are due within 30 days of this notice. The Metropolitan Government of Putnam County will forward comments to applicable regulatory agencies as needed.

Interested persons may submit comments, obtain more detailed information about the proposed action, or request a copy of the findings by contacting:

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**End of Notice**