

# Coronavirus Pandemic: Whole-of-America Response

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Attached you will find today's Daily Briefing Points for the Whole-of-America response to the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic. These briefing points include Topline Messages, as well as Supply Chain Task Force; By the Numbers; FEMA and Department of Health and Human Services Response; and Guidance from Federal Agencies.

Topline messaging includes:

- On **May 4**, FEMA [announced](#) \$200 million in supplemental funding from the CARES act for grants through its Emergency Food and Shelter Program.
  - Combined with the \$120 million in annual funding appropriated by Congress, a total of \$320 million will be distributed beginning in early June to human service organizations assisting those in need throughout the country.
  - These funds will be allocated to local jurisdictions across the country to supplement organizations dedicated to feeding, sheltering, and providing critical resources to people experiencing, or at-risk of experiencing, hunger and homelessness.
- As of **May 4**, FEMA, HHS, and the private sector combined have coordinated the delivery of or are currently shipping: 66.8 million N95 respirators, 115.4 million surgical masks, 7.5 million face shields, 18.7 million surgical gowns, 946.6 million gloves, 10,663 ventilators and 8,450 federal medical station beds.
  - [FEMA is coordinating two shipments](#) totaling a 14-day supply of personal protective equipment to all 15,400 Medicaid and Medicare-certified nursing homes. The shipments are meant to supplement existing efforts to provide equipment to nursing homes.
- As of **May 4**, CDC, state, and local public health labs and other laboratories have tested more than 7 million samples.
  - HHS and FEMA have expanded items supplied by the [International Reagent Resource \(IRR\)](#) to help public health labs access free diagnostics supplies and reagents.
  - As of May 4, the FDA has issued 58 individual [emergency use authorizations](#) for test kit manufacturers and laboratories.
- On **April 27**, President Trump unveiled the [Opening Up America Again Testing Overview](#) and [Testing Blueprint](#) designed to facilitate state development and implementation of the robust testing plans and rapid response programs described in the President's [Guidelines for Opening Up America Again](#).



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- The President's Testing Blueprint sets forth the partnership between federal, state, local, and tribal governments, along with the private-sector and professional associations, all of which play important roles in meeting the Nation's testing needs.
- To support the Administration's [Testing Blueprint](#), FEMA is working to source and procure testing material – specifically, testing swabs and transport media.
  - The FEMA-sourced material will be provided to states, territories and tribes for a limited duration to help increase testing capacity in support of their individualized plans.

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