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PROGRAM NOTICE

To: All County Officials

From: Florida Division of Emergency Management, Grants Bureau

Date: July 29, 2025

Subject: Official Guidance on Procurement Requirements in Grant Agreements

This notice provides official guidance regarding Section 29, "Contracting with Small and Minority Businesses," of your current grant agreement with the Florida Division of Emergency Management (FDEM).

A recent Federal Executive Order has prompted a revision to the underlying federal grant regulations. As a result, the "affirmative steps" for socioeconomic outreach outlined in Section 29 are no longer a mandatory requirement. The primary focus of all procurement under this grant must be a fair, open, and merit-based competitive process.

Action Required:

- **For Existing Agreements:** Please be advised that the mandatory compliance requirements of Section 29 are superseded by this notice. No action or agreement amendment is required on your part.
- **For Record-Keeping:** A copy of this notice will be added to your official county grant file to document this change.

We are committed to helping you navigate this transition. Should you have any questions, please contact our office for assistance.

Thank you for your attention to this important update.