

**Porterville Public Cemetery District**  
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RE: FEMA Reimbursement for COVID-19 Related Funeral Expense Assistance

Dear Tulare County Families,

We wanted to make you aware that the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) is providing funding assistance (reimbursement) for your expenses that you and your family have incurred, due to a COVID-19 related death. Based on the information that we received; you may have the ability to be reimbursed up to \$7,000.00 per family for funeral costs for COVID-19 related deaths dating back to January 20, 2020. This includes both cemetery and mortuary expenses as described and outlined on the FEMA website, which can be accessed at the below website.

<http://www.fema.gov/disasters/coronavirus/economics/funeral-assistance>

The website outlines the eligibility requirements for funeral assistance which are:

- The death must have occurred in the United States, including the U.S. territories, and the District of Columbia.
- The death certificate must indicate the death was attributed to COVID-19.
- The applicant must be a U.S. citizen, non-citizen national, or a qualified alien who incurred funeral expenses after January 20, 2020.
- There is no requirement for the deceased person to have been a U.S. citizen, non-citizen national, or qualified alien.

If you are interested in seeking reimbursement, you must go to the FEMA website link (listed above) to seek information about how to initiate a claim. The website states that FEMA will begin to implement COVID-19 funeral assistance in April.

Respectfully;

Porterville Public Cemetery District