

SWOSU Receives \$17,158 Grant from FEMA

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Southwestern Oklahoma State University in Weatherford has received a \$17,158 grant from the Federal Emergency Management Agency, a division of the U. S. Department of Homeland Security.

The funding will be used to assist SWOSU in the purchase of generators for the Physical Plant and Public Safety. The grant award for this project was available through the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP).

“We are appreciative for the financial support for this critically important improvement to our campus,” said SWOSU President Randy Beutler.

The purpose of HMGP is to help communities implement hazard mitigation measures following a presidential major disaster declaration in the areas of the state, tribe or territory requested by the governor or tribal executive. The key purpose of this grant program is to enact mitigation measures that reduce the risk of loss of life and property from future disasters, according to SWOSU Office of Sponsored Programs Director Dr. Yolanda Carr.

Provost Dr. James South said the grant helps SWOSU to provide critical emergency and safety services for the campus community in times of electrical outages.