

Soft Matches – Examples include:

- Time attending conferences and trainings (though it cannot be used as a match if participant is being paid for attending training).
- Volunteer first responders' attendance to an approved HMEP activity/project or training can be used as match (time should be based on a reasonable rate in which the grantee has determined by use of a formula or other method).
- Equipment donated by a third-party.
- With prior approval, program income, other than state hazmat fees, may be used to meet the cost sharing or matching requirement of the Federal award. The amount of the Federal award remains the same.
- ⊙ If an activity/project is unallowable under the HMEP Grant Program, then you are unable to use anything attached to it as a match.
- ⊙ State fees collected in reference to hazmat transportation are not allowed to be used as a match.