

Summary of resource allocation from "Funds for Unforeseen Events" in 2017

Funds for Unforeseen Events

The budget programme "Funds for Unforeseen Events" (hereafter – FUE) is intended for unplanned expenditures resulting from for the elimination of the consequences of catastrophes and natural disasters, the compensation of losses caused thereby, if there is a failure to comply with contractual obligations and a fine or interest payment is charged from the partner, and other unforeseen events and measures significant at the national level. Local government is granted funds for the elimination of the consequences of catastrophes and natural disasters, the compensation of losses and damage caused to municipal property or infrastructure owned by the municipality, as well as unforeseen events defined in legal acts¹.

Funds from the FUE programme are requested by ministries or other government funded central state institutions. The funds required for subordinate institutions, entrepreneurs or other legal persons are requested by line ministries. The Ministry of Regional Protection and Regional Development (hereafter – MEPRD) makes requests on behalf of municipalities.

Requests are reviewed by the Cabinet of Ministers. In exceptional circumstances when funds have to be granted immediately and the request cannot be reviewed at the meeting of the Cabinet of Ministers, the decision is made by the Minister of Finance.

The law "On the state budget for 2017", FUE has been allocated 68 021 347 euro², which compared to the amount adopted in the first edition of the Law (41 035 306 euro) increased by 65.8%.

Resource Allocation from FUE in 2017

In 2017 a total **66 952 162 euro** was granted from FUE to satisfy **189 requests**.

Institution	Number of requests	Total sum
Cabinet of Ministers	13	456 154
Ministry of Foreign Affairs	21	745 652
Ministry of Economics	4	66 052
Ministry of Finance	48	2 186 047
Ministry of Interior	6	1 352 887
Ministry of Education and Science	6	1 333 384
Ministry of Agriculture	15	19 169 117
Ministry of Transport	18	23 482 225
Ministry of Welfare	3	101 210
Ministry of Justice	10	1 187 913
MEPRD	22	5 047 486
Ministry of Culture	6	2 215 110
Ministry of Health	9	8 329 490
Constitutional Court	1	39 881
Prosecutor's Office	4	403 519
Radio and television	3	836 035
Total:	189	66 952 162

¹ Procedures by which Funds from the Budget Programme "Funds for Unforeseen Events" shall be Requested and Used. 22/12/2009, Regulation of the Cabinet of Ministers, Nr. 1644, available at: <http://m.likumi.lv/doc.php?id=202948>, accessed on: 18/01/2018.

² Information about budget programme "Funds for Unforeseen Events" available at: http://fdp.gov.lv/files/uploaded/LNG_palielinajums.xlsx, accessed on: 18/01/2018.

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In the fourth quarter of 2017, **20 requests** above 100 000 euro were satisfied.

1. Funds granted to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs a contribution of 250 000 euros to the European Union's Emergency Trust Fund for Africa.
2. Funds granted to the Ministry of Interior in order to ensure in 2017, in addition to the necessary funding for the new policy initiative (1 245 624 euro).
3. Funds granted to the Ministry of Education and Science to provide benefits for the composition of the Latvian Olympic team and the composition of the Latvian Paralympic Team (318 545 euro).
4. Funds granted to the Ministry of Agriculture to cover the cost of the intensive decommissioning of the effects of accidents in national drainage systems and hydrotechnical structures (688 340 euro).
5. Funds granted to the Ministry of Agriculture to partially cover the losses in 2017 (14 981 908 euro).
6. Funds granted to the Ministry of Agriculture for the owners of the animals to compensate for the damage (617 986 euro).
7. Funds granted to the Ministry of Transport (123 575).
8. Funds granted to the Ministry of Transport to cover the costs of public infrastructure emergency operations in the affected areas of the flood affected by rainwater (1 935 246).
9. Funds granted to the Ministry of Transport to ensure compensation for carriers for the carriage of passengers (4 240 000 euro).
10. Funds granted to the Ministry of Transport to compensate "Pasažieru vilciens" for the use of railway infrastructure in 2016 (14 209 071 euro).
11. Funds granted to the Ministry of Transport in order to compensate the losses for "Latvijas pasta" (1 200 000 euro).
12. Funds granted to the Ministry of Justice for renovation of the Aglona Basilica Pilgrim's Communication Center building (374 601 euro).
13. Funds granted to the Ministry of Justice to comply with the decision of the Riga City Vidzeme District Court March 10, 2017 (224 785 euro).
14. Funds granted to the MEPRD transfer to the municipality of Aizpute to cover expenses related to the prevention of flood damage caused by prolonged rainfall in August 2016 (175 753 euro).
15. Funds granted to the MEPRD to transfer to county governments to cover expenses related to the prevention of damage caused by storm in August 2017 (216 671 euro).
16. Funds granted to the MEPRD transfer to county governments to cover expenses related to the prevention of rain and flood damage in August 2017 (2 919 399 euro).
17. Funds granted to the MEPRD to transfer to county governments to cover expenses related to the prevention of rainwaters in 2017 (401 970 euro).
18. Funds granted to the Ministry of Health to ensure payment of redundancy benefits to the Emergency Medical Service (213 715 euro).
19. Funds granted to the Ministry of Health to provide a partial payment for the residents of Latvia for health care provided within the framework of the European Union social security system (249 809 euro).
20. Funds granted to the National Electronic Media Council in order to secure the purchase and installation of UPS equipment guaranteed by "Latvijas Televīzija" (180 000 euro).