Call for Applications: Nonprofit Security Grant Program - State

The Missouri Department of Public Safety, Office of Homeland Security, is seeking applications for the FY 2018 Nonprofit Security Grant Program - State (NSGP-S) from eligible nonprofit organizations.

The FY 2018 NSGP-S funding supports target hardening and other physical security enhancements to nonprofit organizations that are at high risk of a terrorist attack. The NSGP-S promotes emergency preparedness coordination and collaboration activities between public and private community representatives as well as state and local government agencies.

The FY 2018 NSGP - S objectives are to support efforts that:

- Build and sustain core capabilities;
- Strengthen governance integration between private nonprofit entities and Federal, state, and local governments;
- Encourage a whole community approach to security and emergency management.

Eligible nonprofit organizations are those organizations that are:

- Described under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (IRC) and exempt from tax under section 501(a) of such code; refer to links below for additional information:
 - https://www.irs.gov/charities-non-profits/charitable-organizations/exemption-requirements-section-501-c-3-organizations
 - o https://www.irs.gov/publications/p557/ch03.html
 - o https://www.irs.gov/charities-non-profits

Note: The Internal Revenue Service (IRS) does not require certain organizations such as churches, mosques, and synagogues to apply for and receive recognition of exemption under section 501(c)(3) of the IRC. Such organizations are automatically exempt if they meet the requirements of section 501(c)(3). These organizations are not required to provide recognition of exemption. For organizations that the IRS requires to apply for and receive a recognition of exemption under 501(c)(3), the state may or may not require recognition of exemption, as long as the method chosen is applied consistently.

• Determined to be at high risk of a terrorist attack by the Secretary of Homeland Security.

Allowable Costs:

Planning: FY 2018 NSGP-S funding may be used for security or emergency planning expenses and the materials utilized to conduct planning activities. Planning must be related to the protection of the facility and the people within the facility and should include people with access and functional needs as well as those with limited English proficiency.

Equipment: FY 2018 NSGP–S allowable costs are focused on target hardening activities and physical security enhancements. Funding can be used for the acquisition and installation of security equipment on real property (including buildings and improvements) owned or leased by the nonprofit organization, specifically in prevention of and/or protection against the risk of a terrorist attack. *This equipment is limited to two categories of items on the Authorized Equipment List (AEL) Physical Security*

Enhancement Equipment (Category 14) and Inspection and Screening Systems (Category 15). <u>https://www.fema.gov/authorized-equipment-list</u>

Exercise: FY 2018 NSGP-S funding may be used to conduct security-related exercises. This includes costs related to planning, meeting space and other meeting costs, facilitation costs, materials and supplies, and documentation.

Maintenance and Sustainment: FY 2018 NSGP-S funds may be used for maintenance contracts, warranties, repair or replacement costs, upgrades, and user fees as described in FP 205-402-125-1 *Maintenance Contracts and Warranty Coverage Funded by Preparedness Grants*, located at http://www.fema.gov.media-library/assets/documents/32474.

Training: Certain costs for training of security personnel are also permitted. Allowable training topics are limited to the protection of critical infrastructure and key resources, including physical and cybersecurity, target hardening, and terrorism awareness/employee preparedness. Training conducted using NU-NSGP funds must address a specific threat and/or vulnerability, as identified in the nonprofit organization's investment justification (IJ).

Each nonprofit organization may apply for up to \$75,000.00.

Applications must be submitted to the Missouri Department of Public Safety, Office of Homeland Security, no later than 5:00 p.m. on June 4, 2018. Applications must be sent to <u>theresa.stiles@dps.mo.gov</u> or joni.mccarter@dps.mo.gov should you have questions, please contact Theresa Stiles at (573) 301-2023 or Joni McCarter at (573) 526-9020.

Application Documents:

- U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS) Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) Fiscal Year (FY) 2018 Nonprofit Security Grant Program (NSGP)
- FY 2018 NSGP Investment Justification
- Vulnerability/Risk Assessment
- Mission Statement

Nonprofit organizations located within St. Louis City and the Missouri Counties of Franklin, Jefferson, St. Charles, and St. Louis, are not eligible for the Nonprofit Security Grant Program - State.