

FY 2020 State Homeland Security Program (SHSP) Protection of Soft Targets/Crowded Places (PSTCP) Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO)



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Funding Opportunity Title

State Homeland Security Program – Protection of Soft Targets/Crowded Places

Introduction

The Missouri Office of Homeland Security is pleased to announce the funding opportunity for the FY 2020 State Homeland Security Program (SHSP), Protection of Soft Targets/Crowded Places (PSTCP). This state administered, but federally funded program, is made available through the Grants Programs Directorate (GPD) and National Preparedness Directorate (NPD) within the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA).

Program Description

SHSP PSTCP assists state, and local efforts to build, sustain, and deliver the capabilities necessary to prevent, prepare for, protect against, respond to, and recover from acts of terrorism in soft targets and crowded places through the use of mobile crowd control equipment.

Priorities

Given the evolving threat landscape, it is incumbent upon DHS/FEMA/OHS to continuously evaluate the national risk profile and set priorities that help ensure appropriate allocation of scarce security dollars. In assessing the national risk profile for FY 2020, four priority areas attract the most concern. The following are the four priority areas for FY 2020:

- 1) Enhancing cybersecurity (including election security);
- 2) Enhancing the protection of soft targets/crowded places (including election security);

- 3) Enhancing information and intelligence sharing and cooperation with federal and state agencies, including DHS/OHS;
- 4) Addressing emergent threats (e.g., unmanned aerial systems [UASs], etc.).

This grant program focuses only on the national priority of Enhancing the Protection of Soft Targets/Crowded Places (including election security).

DHS/FEMA/OHS strongly encourages SHSP subrecipients to participate in the THIRA (Threat and Hazard Identification and Risk Assessment/SPR (Stakeholder Participation Report) process and prioritize grant funding to support closing capability gaps or sustaining capabilities that address national priorities and/or support enduring needs.

Period of Performance: 9 months

Projected Period of Performance Start Date: October 1, 2020

Projected Period of Performance End Date: June 30, 2021

Funding Instrument: Grant

Allowable Amount: \$10,000.00 maximum award

Eligible Applicants:

The following Missouri entities are eligible to apply for the FY 2020 SHSP PSTCP funding opportunity:

- Local units of government
- Nongovernmental organizations quasi-governmental organizations, and nonprofit organizations

Ineligible Applicants

- Entities located within the geographical boundaries of the St. Louis Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI), which includes the Missouri Counties of Franklin, Jefferson, St. Charles, St. Louis and St. Louis City are **NOT** eligible applicants.
- State Agencies are **NOT** eligible applicants.

Other Eligibility Criteria

National Incident Management System (NIMS) Implementation

Prior to allocation of any Federal preparedness awards in FY 2020, subrecipients must ensure and maintain adoption and implementation of NIMS. Detailed information on NIMS requirements are in the FEMA Preparedness Grants Manual.

Emergency Management Assistance Compact (EMAC) Membership

In support of the Goal, SHSP subrecipients must belong to, be in, or act as a temporary member of EMAC, except for American Samoa and the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, which are not required to belong to EMAC at this time. All assets supported in part or entirely with FY 2020 HSGP funding must be readily deployable and NIMS-typed when possible to support emergency or disaster operations per existing EMAC agreements. In addition, funding may be used for the sustainment of core capabilities that, while they may not be physically deployable, support national response capabilities, such as Geographic/Geospatial Information Systems (GIS), interoperable communications systems, capabilities as defined under the Mitigation Mission Area of the Goal, and fusion centers.

Application and Submission Information

- 1. Key Dates and Times
 - a. Application Start Date: September 2, 2020
 - **b.** Application Submission Deadline: September 18, 2020, 5:00 pm CST
 - c. Agreeing to Terms and Conditions of the Award

By submitting an application, applicants agree to comply with the requirements of this NOFO and the terms and conditions of the award, should they receive an award.

Applications will only be accepted through the Missouri Department of Public Safety (DPS) online WebGrants System. https://dpsgrants.dps.mo.gov/index.do

As part of the FY 2020 SHSP PSTCP application, each eligible applicant must complete all application forms and provide all required documents:

- 1. Contact Information Form
- 2. SHSP Project Package
- 3. Budget
- 4. Named Attachments
 - a. Audit/Financial Statement (REQUIRED)
 - b. Federal Fund Schedule (REQUIRED, if not included in Audit)
 - c. Ouote or Cost Basis
 - d. Other Supporting Documentation

Each application must only include one project, and all requested funding in the application must be directly associated to that specific project.

SHSP Funding Guidelines

Subrecipients must comply with all the requirements in 2 C.F.R. Part 200 (*Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards*). Funding guidelines established within this section support the five mission areas—Prevention, Protection, Mitigation, Response, and Recovery—and associated core capabilities within the Goal. Allowable projects made in support of the Enhancing the Protection of Soft Targets/Crowded Places (including election security) national priority, projects must have a nexus to terrorism preparedness and fall into the categories of planning, organization, exercises, training, or equipment, aligned to closing capability gaps or sustaining capabilities identified in the State THIRA/SPR.

The SHSP supports investments that improve the ability of regions to:

- Protect citizens, residents, visitors, and assets against the threats that pose the greatest risk to the security of the United States;
- Mitigate the loss of life and property by lessening the impact of future catastrophic events;
- Respond quickly to save lives, protect property and the environment, and meet basic human needs in the aftermath of a catastrophic incident; and/or
- Recover through a focus on the timely restoration, strengthening, accessibility, and revitalization of infrastructure, housing, and a sustainable economy, as well as the health, social, cultural, historic, and environmental fabric of communities affected by a catastrophic incident, and do so in a manner that engages the whole community while ensuring the protection of civil rights.

Multiple Purpose or Dual-Use of Funds

For SHSP, many activities that support the achievement of core capabilities related to the national priorities and terrorism preparedness, may simultaneously support enhanced preparedness for other hazards unrelated to acts of terrorism. However, all SHSP funded projects must assist subrecipients in achieving core capabilities related to preventing, preparing for, protecting against, or responding to acts of terrorism per section 2008(c) of the *Homeland Security Act of 2002* [6 U.S.C. § 609(c)].

Allowable Costs:

Equipment

This grant only allows for mobile crowd control equipment. Examples of allowable equipment include but are not limited to the following: mobile security cameras, mobile security screening equipment, mobile lighting, mobile access controls, mobile fencing, gates and barriers.

Equipment must be deployable locally, regionally, and/or nationally and made available to other entities through a Memorandum of Understanding, when requested, and not in use by the awarded agency.

The 21 allowable prevention, protection, mitigation, response, and recovery equipment categories for HSGP are listed on the Authorized Equipment List (AEL). The AEL is available at http://www.fema.gov/authorized-equipment-list. Some equipment items require prior approval from DHS/FEMA/OHS before obligation or purchase of the items. Please reference the grant notes for

each equipment item to ensure prior approval is not required or to ensure prior approval is obtained if necessary.

Unallowable Costs

- Per FEMA policy, the purchase of weapons and weapon accessories, including ammunition, is not allowed with HSGP funds.
- Grant funds may not be used for the purchase of equipment not approved by DHS/FEMA/OHS. Grant funds must comply with <u>IB 426</u> and may not be used for the purchase of the following equipment: firearms; ammunition; grenade launchers; bayonets; or weaponized aircraft, vessels, or vehicles of any kind with weapons installed.
- Unauthorized exercise-related costs include:
 - Reimbursement for the maintenance or wear and tear costs of general use vehicles (e.g., construction vehicles), medical supplies, and emergency response apparatus (e.g., fire trucks, ambulances).
 - Equipment that is purchased for permanent installation and/or use, beyond the scope of the conclusion of the exercise (e.g., electronic messaging sign).

Contact Information:

Additional information and resources can be located on the Missouri Department of Public Safety, Office of Homeland Security website: https://dps.mo.gov/dir/programs/ohs/grantstraining/

WebGrants System, application submission site: https://dpsgrants.dps.mo.gov/index.do

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