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FISCAL YEAR (FY) 2019 NONPROFIT SECURITY GRANT PROGRAM (NSGP) NOTICE OF FUNDING OPPORTUNITY (NOFO) – KEY CHANGES

NSGP-State (NSGP-S) and NSGP-Urban Area (NSGP-UA)

For NSGP-S target allocations see the FY 2019 NSGP NOFO.

For NSGP-UA, the number of eligible urban areas has decreased from 32 in FY 2018 to 31 in FY 2019. The Urban Area removed this year is Charlotte, North Carolina. Refer to the FY 2019 NSGP NOFO for the complete list of Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI)-designated urban areas.

Subaward Amount

For FY 2019 NSGP-UA, each nonprofit organization may apply through the State Administrative Agency (SAA) for up to a \$100,000 grant award. For FY 2019 NSGP-S, the SAA may determine an award cap for individual subawards up to a maximum of \$100,000 (consistent with FY 2018 maximum) or the total allocation for that state, whichever is lower. For FY 2018 NSGP-UA, the maximum subaward was \$150,000.

Allowability

In FY 2018, the NSGP allowable costs were expanded to include security training for all nonprofit staff, planning related costs, and exercises related cost, in addition to the traditionally allowable equipment.

In FY 2019, nonprofits are encouraged to apply for additional costs, including contracted security personnel as well as security-related training for:

- Employed or volunteer security staff to attend security-related training within the United States;
- Employed or volunteer security staff to attend security-related training within the United States with the intent of training other staff or members/congregants upon completing the training (i.e., “train-the-trainer” type courses);
- Employed or volunteer security staff or members/congregants to receive on-site security training.

Bonus points for nonprofits that have not received NSGP funding in previous years

In previous years, one bonus point was added to the SAA score for nonprofit organizations that had never received NSGP funding. In FY 2019, ten bonus points will be added to the SAA score for both NSGP-UA and NSGP-S.

Application Review NSGP-S

In FY 2018, the Federal review for NSGP-S was solely to review allowability of the proposed investments. In FY 2019, the NSGP-S Federal review will mirror the NSGP-UA Federal review process.

The IJs submitted by each state will be reviewed and scored by two Federal reviewers using the NSGP Investment Justification Scoring Worksheet.

Final Review NSGP-S

To calculate an application's final score, the sum of the applicant's state score and the Federal reviewers' scores will be multiplied:

- By a factor of three for nonprofit groups that are at a high risk of terrorist attacks due to their ideology, beliefs, or mission;
- By a factor of two for medical and educational institutions; and
- By a factor of one for all other nonprofit organizations.

Applicants will be selected from highest to lowest scored within their respective state until the available state target allocation has been exhausted.

These results will be used to make funding recommendations to the Secretary of Homeland Security. All final funding determinations will be made by the Secretary of Homeland Security, who retains the discretion to consider other factors and information in addition to DHS/FEMA's funding recommendations.

Notice of Funding Opportunity and Preparedness Grants Manual Layout

The FY 2019 NOFOs have been streamlined to include only the information needed in order to submit an application. Additionally, GPD has developed the [Preparedness Grants Manual](#) to guide applicants and recipients of grant funding on how to manage their grants and other resources. Recipients seeking guidance on policies and procedures for managing preparedness grants should reference the [Preparedness Grants Manual](#) for further information. The Manual will include common information for all NOFOs as well as supplemental information on each specific preparedness grant program. Examples of information contained in the [Preparedness Grants Manual](#) include:

- Conflicts of Interest in the Administration of Federal Awards and Subawards;
- Extensions;
- Monitoring;
- Procurement Integrity; and
- Other Post-Award Requirements.