

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

The California Governor's Office of Emergency Services (Cal OES), Homeland Security and Emergency Management Branch, is soliciting Proposals for the following program:

CALIFORNIA STATE NONPROFIT SECURITY GRANT PROGRAM (CSNSGP)

Release Date: October 31, 2025

This Request for Proposal (RFP) provides detailed information, requirements, and forms necessary to prepare a Proposal for Cal OES grant funds.

PROGRAM SYNOPSIS

Program Description:

The purpose of the CSNSGP is to provide funding support for target hardening and other security enhancements to nonprofit organizations that are at high risk for violent attacks and hate crimes due to ideology, beliefs, or mission.

Eligibility:

Restricted to California nonprofit 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. 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).

Grant Subaward Period of Performance:

March 1, 2026 - December 31, 2027

Available Funding:

\$76,000,000

Submission Deadline:

Proposals must be received electronically, by 11:59 pm (PDT) Friday, December 12, 2025, to CSNSGP@caloes.ca.gov. Proposals received after this time/date or sent to any other email address or by any other delivery method will not be considered.



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A. PROGRAM OVERVIEW

The Fiscal Year (FY) 2025-26 California State Budget allocated \$76,000,000 for the CSNSGP. This is a competitive Program; therefore, scoring criteria have been established and funding will be awarded to the top-scoring Proposals until all allocated funding is awarded. Applicants are not guaranteed funding.

B. PROGRAM OBJECTIVES

The purpose of the CSNSGP is to provide funding support for target hardening and other security enhancements to nonprofit organizations that are at high risk for violent attacks and hate crimes due to ideology, beliefs, or mission. The CSNSGP seeks to integrate the preparedness activities of nonprofit organizations with broader state and local preparedness efforts. The CSNSGP also promotes emergency preparedness coordination and collaboration activities between public and private community representatives as well as state and local government agencies.

C. ELIGIBILITY INFORMATION

Eligible Nonprofits

California nonprofits that are described under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (IRC) and exempt from taxation under Section 501(a) of the code. Please reference additional guidance regarding beneficiary eligibility under the "Beneficiary of the CSNSGP" Section.

Maximum Number of Proposal Submissions

INDIVIDUAL APPLICANTS: Each Applicant may submit up to two (2) Proposals, and each Proposal must address a specific site, with its own unique physical address (not a P.O. Box Number). The Applicant must occupy the location at the time of Proposal submission. Locations under construction and vacant lots will not be considered. Applicants can request up to \$250,000 per location for a total of \$500,000.

The number of submissions and amount of funding requested may not exceed these limits.

SUPPORT SERVICES APPLICANTS: Applicants may submit one (1) Proposal up to \$500,000 solely for Support Services (SS) funding to provide support to other **eligible** nonprofits for the following allowable costs. The number of submissions and amount of funding requested may not exceed these limits.

- Vulnerability assessments;
- Security trainings;
- Mass notification alert systems;
- Monitoring and response systems; and
- Lifesaving emergency equipment.

Funding for SS must be utilized to support other **eligible** nonprofits and cannot be used to benefit the Applicant receiving SS funding or other ineligible organizations. Applicants must clearly provide the names and physical addresses of all **eligible** nonprofits it proposes to support. Applicants selected for SS funding are responsible for ensuring contractual agreements with the **eligible** nonprofits to which SS funding is provided.

Applicants shall **only** apply Individually or as part of SS, but **not** both. Proposals submitted for both individual and SS funding will be deemed ineligible for Individual funding.

Beneficiary of the CSNSGP

Beneficiaries of CSNSGP funds must be 501 (c) (3) nonprofit organizations. For-profits or fundraising extensions of nonprofits are not eligible. While these fundraising extensions may be associated with the nonprofit organization, CSNSGP funds must be utilized to improve the safety and security of 501 (c) (3) nonprofit organizations.

Nonprofits that Cohabitate

For nonprofit organizations sharing the same building, only one nonprofit organization within the same building can apply for CSNSGP funding. While the safety and security enhancements may also benefit other entities cohabitating or sharing the same building, Cal OES will only consider one proposal per physical location.

D. AWARD INFORMATION

Total Amount Available for Solicitation:	\$76,000,000
Maximum per Individual Applicant:	\$250,000 per location/total \$500,000
Maximum per SS Applicant:	Up to \$500,000
Period of Performance (POP):	March 1, 2026, to December 31, 2027

E. CONTACT INFORMATION

Questions concerning this RFP and the Proposal process can be submitted via e-mail to: CSNSGP@caloes.ca.gov

Cal OES can only respond to technical questions about the RFP during the period of time between the publication date and completion of the RFP process. Following the completion of the RFP process, requests for records must be made through a Public Records Act request submitted at the following link: <u>PRA Request Portal</u>.

F. PROJECT ACTIVITY GUIDELINES

Proposals will be considered by Cal OES for eligibility based on the evaluation criteria identified in Part III. Allowable costs must be:

- Reasonable: A cost is reasonable if, in its nature, cost, and amount, it does not exceed that which would be incurred by a prudent person under the circumstances prevailing at the time the decision was made to incur the cost.
- Allowable: A cost is allowable if it meets all the criteria for authorized expenditures specified in this RFP.
- Allocable: A cost is allocable if the goods or services involved are chargeable or assignable to the award or cost objective. It benefits the Grant.
- Necessary: A cost necessary if it contributes to the overall operation of the nonprofit.

INDIVIDUAL APPLICANTS: Allowable costs for individual applicants are: Planning, Equipment, Training, Construction/Renovation, Contracted Security, and Management and Administration (M&A). The following is a brief description of examples of costs associated with each of these categories:

Planning

Funding may be used for security or emergency planning expenses, continuity of operations plan, and other planning activities, including the materials required to conduct planning activities. Planning must be related to the protection of the facility and the people within the facility and should include those with access and functional needs, as well as those with limited English proficiency. Examples of planning activities allowable under this Program include:

- Development and enhancement of security plans and protocols;
- o Emergency contingency plans; and
- Evacuation/Shelter-in-place plans.

Equipment

Allowable costs are focused on target hardening 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 the prevention of and/or protection against the risk of a terrorist attack.

Examples of equipment allowable under this Program include:

- Physical security enhancement equipment, including, but not limited to reinforced doors and gates, and high-intensity lighting and alarms;
- o Inspection and screening systems, and access control; and
- Any other security enhancement consistent with the purpose of the CSNSGP.

Training

Funding may be used for training-related costs and apply to the nonprofit's employees or members/congregants to receive on-site security training. Training activities using CSNSGP funds must address a specific threat and/or vulnerability, as identified in the Proposal. Examples of training costs allowable under this Program include:

- Attendance fees for training; and
- o Related expenses such as materials and/or supplies.

No personnel costs, such as overtime and backfill costs, associated with attending training courses are allowable. Travel costs are not eligible.

Construction or Renovation

Construction or Renovation is allowed under this Program.
Construction or Renovation activities should be done in support of target hardening activities and is limited to \$100,000. Equipment installation is not considered construction or renovation. All Construction or Renovation activities must comply with applicable federal, state, and local laws and regulations. Applicants must provide a breakdown of construction-related costs.

Contracted Security

Contracted security personnel are allowed under this Program. The Applicant must be able to sustain this capability in future years without CSNSGP funding. CSNSGP funds may not be used for training and equipment for contracted security. Funding for contracted security cannot exceed fifty percent (50%) of the amount requested.

Management & Administration

Applicants that receive a subaward under this Program may use and expend up to five percent (5%) of their funds for Management and Administration (M&A) activities. This cost consists of hiring full-time or part-time staff or contractors/consultants.

<u>SS APPLICANTS:</u> Allowable costs for SS applicants are: SS and M&A. The following is a brief description of examples of costs associated with each of these categories:

• Support Services

SS Applicants may request funding to support **eligible** nonprofits for the following allowable costs.

- Vulnerability Assessments: Applicants must provide
 Vulnerability Assessments (VA) to other nonprofits that meet
 the following criteria:
 - > Have never had a VA;
 - Need a new VA as their existing VA is outdated and there are new/modified vulnerabilities; and/or
 - > Are unable to secure a VA on their own.

Nonprofits supported by SS applicants must have current VAs before other support can be provided.

 Security Trainings: Funding may be used for training-related costs and apply to the nonprofit's employees or members/congregants to receive on-site security training. Training activities using CSNSGP funds must address a specific threat and/or vulnerability, as identified in the Proposal.

Examples of training costs allowable under this Program include:

- Attendance fees for training; and
- > Related expenses such as materials and/or supplies.

No personnel costs, such as overtime and backfill costs, associated with attending training courses are allowable. Travel costs are not eligible.

- Mass Notification Alert Systems: Funding may be used for communication that enables organizations and authorities to send real-time alerts and instructions to large groups of people simultaneously during emergencies or other critical events.
- Monitoring And Response Systems: Funding may be used for communications and safety equipment to be used during emergencies or other critical events.
- Lifesaving Emergency Equipment: Funding may be used for basic emergency kit supplies, safety equipment, and/or advanced medical life support to be used during emergencies or other critical events.

Management & Administration

Applicants that receive a subaward under this Program may use and expend up to five percent (5%) of their funds for M&A activities. This cost consists of hiring full-time or part-time staff or contractors/consultants.

G. SPECIAL CONSIDERATIONS

Sustainability

Grant funds are intended to supplement existing fiscal resources and are not guaranteed long-term sustainability solutions. Projects funded under this grant opportunity are expected to be reasonably sustained after the end of the POP without the expectation to receive future grant funds.

Changes to Scope of Work

CSNSGP awardees are selected through a competitive proposal process. Projects are rated and ranked based on the submitted proposal. Therefore, any changes to the scope of work are not permitted. Each Applicant is expected to thoroughly plan out the entire process of each proposed project, from project conception to completion. Funds remaining at the end of the POP will be disencumbered and returned to Cal OES.

Extension Requests

Subrecipients are expected to complete all grant-funded activities by the end of the POP. Any costs incurred outside of the POP will be unallowable.

Extensions to the POP identified in the subaward will be extremely limited and will only be considered through formal, written requests with specific, reasonable, and compelling justifications that warrant an extension.

PART II – RFP INSTRUCTIONS

- A. PROPOSAL DUE DATE AND SUBMISSION INSTRUCTIONS
- B. PROPOSAL COMPONENTS
- C. RESOURCES (web links)

A. PROPOSAL DUE DATE AND SUBMISSION INSTRUCTIONS

The <u>Application Form (Version: 10/25)</u>, <u>Vulnerability Assessment (VA)</u> <u>Worksheet (Version: 10/25)</u>, and Supporting Documents must be emailed to <u>CSNSGP@caloes.ca.gov</u>, and received by 11:59 pm (PDT) Friday, December 12, 2025.

Only electronic submissions will be accepted. Proposals received after this time/date or sent to any other email address or by any other delivery method will not be considered. Incomplete, scanned copies, altered or prior versions of required forms, combined forms, embedded links of Proposal documents, or zip files will not be considered. Please ensure that your Proposal email submission is accurate and complete before sending. Resubmitted, duplicate, or incomplete Proposals will also not be considered.

Applicants are encouraged to apply only for the amount of funding necessary to safeguard their facility or for SS. Applicants are responsible for completing the VA Worksheet and accurately identifying the requested resources onto the Application Form.

If you have not received a confirmation your Proposal was received within two business days of the date it was submitted, please send an email to CSNSGP@caloes.ca.gov.

B. PROPOSAL COMPONENTS

INDIVIDUAL APPLICANTS: Proposal MUST include at the time of submission, a fully completed Application Form (Version: 10/25), VA Worksheet (Version: 10/25), and Supporting Documents. Incomplete Proposal submissions will not be considered.

If applying for multiple locations, submit a separate email containing the required documents for each location (e.g., two email submissions for two locations).

- 1. Application Form (Version: 10/25) that includes:
 - Applicant Information
 - Background
 - Risk
 - Security Enhancements
 - Milestones
 - Impact
 - Funding History (Not Scored)

2. VA Worksheet (Version: 10/25):

- Defines, identifies, and prioritizes vulnerabilities of the organizational structure. All vulnerabilities must be up-to-date and not being addressed by any other funding received.
- Provides the organization with mitigation options of what equipment to procure in order to make the organization more secure.
- The VA can be completed via self-assessment, by a person with a security, emergency services, military, law enforcement background, or an associated organization.
- If a VA has been previously completed, information from the previous VA must be transferred to the version of the VA Worksheet identified in Part II.A and submitted at the time of application.

3. Supporting Documents:

- Own or Lease Location: Applicants are required to provide proof of ownership or lease agreement of the physical address of the location, which may include either: current Utility Bill, Deed, Title, Property Tax Bill, Mortgage Statement, or Lease/Rental Agreement. If leasing, provide a letter on official letterhead from the landlord providing permission to install security enhancements at the location.
- Multi-Level Building or Dual Usage Location (if applicable): Some
 nonprofits occupy space in multi-level buildings or in a location
 meant for dual use, including high-rise buildings or as part of a
 residential building. While safety and security enhancements may
 be needed, nonprofit organizations in these types of locations must
 provide justification to adequately illustrate the reasonableness of
 such enhancements at these locations.
- Google Map and/or Footprint of Facility: Applicants are required to provide a Google Map and/or footprint of their facility. This must include square footage of their facility. In cases of an office space, room dimensions must be provided.

Federal Employee Identification Number (FEIN) (if applicable):
 Applicants that utilize the parent organization FEIN, must submit a
 letter on official letterhead from the parent organization authorizing
 the Applicant to use their FEIN.

Proposal must be submitted using the following document file naming conventions:

- FY 2025_CSNSGP_Application_ApplicantName
- FY 2025_CSNSGP_VAWorksheet_ApplicantName
- FY 2025_CSNSGP_OwnLease_ApplicantName
- FY 2025_CSNSGP_MultiLevelDualUsage_ApplicantName
- FY 2025_C\$N\$GP_MapFootprint_ApplicantName
- FY 2025 CSNSGP FEINAuthorization ApplicantName

<u>SS APPLICANTS:</u> Proposal <u>MUST</u> include at the time of submission, a fully completed <u>Application Form (Version: 10/25)</u>, <u>VA Worksheet (Version: 10/25)</u>, and Supporting Documents. SS Applicants must submit one single email containing the required documents. Incomplete Proposal submission will not be considered.

SS Applicants that propose to support a large number of **eligible** nonprofits may submit multiple emails to ensure all supporting documents are included as part of the Proposal submission.

- 1. Application Form (Version: 10/25) that includes:
 - Applicant Information
 - Background
 - Risk
 - Security Enhancements
 - Milestones
 - Impact
 - Funding History (Not Scored)
- VA Worksheet (Version: 10/25): SS Applicants must submit a shared VA Worksheet that is reflective of the risk/vulnerabilities from all eligible nonprofits they propose to support.
 - Defines, identifies, and prioritizes vulnerabilities of the organizational structure. All vulnerabilities must be up-to-date and not being addressed by any other funding received.
 - Provides the organization with mitigation options of what security enhancements to procure in order to make the organization more secure.
 - The VA Worksheet can be completed via self-assessment by the Applicant.

- Supporting Documents (SS Applicants must submit these Supporting Documents for each eligible nonprofit they propose to support):
 - Own or Lease Location: Applicants are required to provide proof of ownership or lease agreement of the physical address of the location for each eligible nonprofit they propose to support, which may include either: current Utility Bill, Deed, Title, Property Tax Bill, Mortgage Statement, or Lease/Rental Agreement. In cases where the nonprofit is leasing, Applicants are required to provide a letter on official letterhead from the nonprofit's landlord with permission to install security enhancements at the location for each eligible nonprofit they propose to support.
 - Multi-Level Building or Dual Usage Location (if applicable): Some nonprofits occupy space in multi-level buildings or in a location meant for dual use, including high-rise buildings or as part of a residential building. While safety and security enhancements may be needed, Applicants that propose to support eligible nonprofits in these types of locations must provide justification to adequately illustrate the reasonableness of such enhancements at these locations.
 - Google Map and/or Footprint of Facility: Applicants are required to provide a Google Map and/or footprint of each facility belonging to the eligible nonprofits they propose to support. This must include square footage of each facility. In cases of an office space, room dimensions must be provided.
 - **FEIN (if applicable):** Applicants that utilize the parent organization FEIN, must submit a letter on official letterhead from the parent organization authorizing the Applicant to use their FEIN.

Proposal must be submitted using the following file naming convention:

- FY 2025_CSNSGP_Application_ApplicantName
- FY 2025 CSNSGP VAWorksheet ApplicantName
- FY 2025_CSNSGP_OwnLease_NonprofitName
- FY 2025_CSNSGP_MultiLevelDualUsage_NonprofitName
- FY 2025_CSNSGP_MapFootprint_NonprofitName
- FY 2025_CSNSGP_FEINAuthorization_ApplicantName

Eligible Proposals received by the submission deadline will be read, evaluated, and scored by a panel to determine which Applicants will be selected to continue in the subaward application process.

It is very important to note that Cal OES staff cannot assist in the creation of the Proposals. Cal OES staff may only provide clarification on the questions presented in the Application Form.

Applicants should check the box on the bottom of the last page if they are willing to accept less than the full amount requested based on scoring and fund availability. If the box is not checked, partial funding may not be given in the event that full funding is not available for the project.

*Grant Proposals are subject to the Public Records Act, Government <u>Code Section 7920.000</u> et seq. Do not put any personally identifiable information or private information on this Proposal. If you believe that any of the information you are putting on this Proposal is exempt from the Public Records Act, please attach a separate statement that indicates what portions of the Proposal and the basis for the exemption. Your statement that the information is not subject to the Public Records Act will not guarantee that the information will not be disclosed.

C. RESOURCES

CSNSGP resource documents are located on the Cal OES website on the Infrastructure Protection Grants page, under:

California State Nonprofit Security Grant Program (CSNSGP) Documents.

PART III - PROPOSAL EVALUATION

- A. EVALUATION SCORING CRITERIA
- B. EVALUATION CRITERIA DEFINED
- C. FUNDING RECOMMENDATION
- D. NOTIFICATION PROCESS
- E. APPEAL OF DECISION
- F. POST AWARD REQUIREMENTS

A. EVALUATION SCORING CRITERIA

Funding will be awarded to the highest-ranked Proposals. Evaluation of the Proposals is based on six scored criteria, totaling 48 points. Applicants must receive an overall score of 40 points or higher to be considered for funding.

Individual and SS Proposals will be evaluated separately, as detailed below:

- Individual Proposals will be grouped and evaluated amongst all Individual Proposals, and
- SS Proposals will be grouped and evaluated amongst all SS Proposals.

Evaluation Criteria

Section I . Applicant Information	5	Possible Points
Section II. Background	7	Possible Points
Section III. Risk	12	Possible Points
Section IV. Security Enhancements	14	Possible Points
Section V. Milestones	5	Possible Points
Section VI. Impact	5	Possible Points
Funding History		Not Scored

Cal OES will review and approve projects which meet the criteria based on the scoring system established for this Program. All projects must be completed within the POP. All applicable CSNSGP guidelines and policies remain in effect for the grant.

B. EVALUATION CRITERIA DEFINED

The CSNSGP Application includes:

Section I. Applicant Information (5 Possible Points). SS Applicants must complete the required fields based solely on their information.

- Is this application submitted for SS funding: If Yes, list the nonprofit
 information that you propose to support on Page 2 of the
 Application. If additional space is needed, please include a
 separate document identifying the nonprofit names and addresses
 that you propose to support.
- Legal Name of the Applicant: This is the name on the 501(c)(3) Letter of Determination or exact name registered with the Secretary of State's Office (SOS).
- FEIN: Applicants must provide their individual FEIN. Applicants that
 utilize the parent organization FEIN, must submit a letter on official
 letterhead from the parent organization authorizing the Applicant
 to use their FEIN.
- Physical Address of the Project(s) Location: Indicate the address of the project location.
- Is the building owned or leased? If leasing, do you have the owner's permission to make proposed security enhancements?
 SS Applicants must answer this question based on the eligible nonprofits they propose to support.
- Mailing Address, if different: Indicate the Applicant's administrative office address, if different from project location.
- **Contact Information:** Applicants must provide the complete telephone number, Email address, website address, primary and secondary points of contact.
- 501(c)(3) status: Indicate if the Applicant's organization is a federally-recognized nonprofit or is a nonprofit eligible organization.
 SS Applicants will certify this requirement for all eligible nonprofits they propose to support on Page 2 of the Application.
- **Funding Request:** This section will pre-populate based on entries from Section IV.
- Applicant's ideology, beliefs, and mission: Description of organization's ideology, beliefs, and mission. SS Applicants must summarize the ideologies, beliefs, and missions for all eligible nonprofits they propose to support.
- Primary Applicant Type: Select from the drop-down menu.
- Applicant's Primary Affiliation: Select from the drop-down menu.

It is the Applicant's responsibility to ensure the legal name and physical address are consistent with the Franchise Tax Board (FTB), Department of Justice (DOJ), and SOS at the time of proposal submission. Cal OES will verify the Applicant Information with the FTB, DOJ, and SOS during the

rating process. Points may be deducted if it is determined that the Applicant Information is incomplete or inconsistent.

Additionally, proposals may be deemed ineligible if Applicant Information is not verifiable.

Section II. Background Information (7 Possible Points). SS Applicants must summarize the shared background information of all **eligible** nonprofits they propose to support.

- Describe the symbolic value of the site as a highly-recognized national or historical institution or significant institution within the community that renders the site as a possible target of violent attacks or hate crimes due to ideology, beliefs, or mission.
- Does your organization serve any population(s) at risk of being a target of violent attacks or hate crimes? If yes, identify the population(s) and explain why the population(s) is/are at risk of being the target(s) of violent attacks or hate crimes?
- Describe any previous or existing role in responding to or recovering from violent attacks or hate crimes due to ideology, beliefs, or mission.

Section III. Risk (12 Possible Points). SS Applicants must summarize the threats, vulnerabilities, and potential consequences of all **eligible** nonprofits they propose to support.

- **Threat:** Applicant should discuss the identification and substantiation of specific threats or attacks against the nonprofit organization(s).
- **Vulnerabilities:** Applicant should discuss the organization's susceptibility to destruction, incapacitation, or exploitation.
- Potential Consequences: Applicant should discuss potential negative effects on the organization's asset, system, and/or network if damaged, destroyed, or disrupted by a terrorist.

Section IV. Security Enhancements (14 Possible Points).

INDIVIDUAL APPLICANTS must describe each proposed activity or investment and the identified threat or vulnerability that it addresses as well as the associated cost for each activity or investment. Allowable costs include target hardening such as reinforced doors and gates, high-intensity lighting and alarms, inspection and screening systems, and access control. Other allowable costs include planning, contracted security personnel, security-related training and programs limited to the protection of critical infrastructure key resources, including physical and cyber-security, and terrorism awareness/employee preparedness, construction or renovation, and M&A. Funding can also 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 in protection against the risk of a terrorist attack.

<u>SS APPLICANTS</u> must summarize the services for each **eligible** nonprofit the applicant proposes to support. Allowable costs include VAs, security-related training and programs limited to the protection of critical infrastructure key resources, including physical and cybersecurity, and terrorism awareness/employee preparedness, mass notification alert systems, monitoring and response systems, lifesaving emergency equipment, and M&A.

Section V. Milestones (5 Possible Points). SS Applicants must provide key milestones from all **eligible** nonprofits they propose to support.

Provide a description and associated grant activities that lead to the milestone event. Start dates should reflect the start of the associated grant activities and end dates should reflect when the milestone event will be completed.

Section VI. Impact (5 Possible Points). SS Applicants must describe the impact and outcome for all **eligible** nonprofits they propose to support.

Explain how the organization/facility will be safer at the end of the FY 2025 CSNSGP POP.

Funding History (not scored)

If the Applicant has received Nonprofit Security Grant Program or CSNSGP funding in the past, provide the fund source, funding year, and total funding amount received. Cal OES will verify and confirm the information provided by the Applicant in this section.

Cal OES utilizes this information for administrative purposes only. This information is not considered during the selection process.

C. FUNDING RECOMMENDATION

Final funding decisions are made by the Director of Cal OES. Funding recommendations are based on the following:

- The ranked score of the Proposal, including whether an Applicant is more likely to be a target of hate-motivated violence based on the demographics of the population whom the Applicant serves
- Analysis of Supporting Documentation
- Consideration of funding priorities

 Prior negative administrative and programmatic performance, if applicable

Projects previously funded by Cal OES will be reviewed for past compliance, including fiscal management, progress and annual reports, audit reports, and other relevant documentation or information. This review may result in one or more of the following actions:

- The project may not be selected for funding.
- The amount of funding may be reduced.
- Grant Subaward Special Conditions may be included in the Grant Subaward.

D. NOTIFICATION PROCESS

Applicants will be notified of the results of the rating process in writing by email. Applicants not selected for funding will receive a notification letter containing their average score and information on the appeal process.

E. APPEAL OF DECISION

Applicants are entitled to appeal the denial of funding pursuant to the Cal OES Appeal Guidelines for Competitive Funding. A copy of these guidelines will be included with the denial/ineligible letter.

F. POST AWARD REQUIREMENTS

Applicants identified for funding must submit all required documentation listed in the FY 2025 CSNSGP Guidance and attend a Required Documents Workshop or Webinar. Failure to submit the required documents by the deadline may result in Cal OES reallocating the funding to the next Applicant on the list and the termination of the subaward. CSNSGP Awardees must comply with state and federal regulations, including applicable provisions of the Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards.

All grant funds must be expended by the end of the Grant Subaward POP, and final reimbursements must be submitted to Cal OES within twenty calendar days of the grant expiration date.

PART IV - RATING SHEET

I. Applicant Information (Total of 5 possible points)						
Did the Applicant accurately complete all necessary Applicant Information fields. (5 Possible Points)						
0 = The Applicant did not accurately complete all Applicant Information fields.						
1 = The Applicant provided poor Applicant Information fields.						
2 = The Applicant provided partial Applicant Information fields.	0	1	2	3	4	5
3 = The Applicant provided moderate Applicant Information fields.						
4 = The Applicant provided adequate Applicant Information fields.						
5 = The Applicant provided thorough Applicant Information fields.						

II. Background (Total of 7 possible points)	Score				
Did the Applicant provide a description of their nonprofit organization to include:					
Symbolic value of the site as a highly recognized national or historical institution or significant institution within the community that renders the site as a possible target of terrorism or hate crimes due to ideology, beliefs, or mission. (2 possible points)					
0 = The Applicant did not provide description of the organization to include the symbolic value of the site as a highly recognized institution that renders the site a possible target of terrorism or hate crimes.	0	1	2		
1 = The Applicant provided partial description of the organization to include the symbolic value of the site as a highly recognized institution that					

II. Background (Total of 7 possible points)	Score
renders the site a possible target of terrorism or hate crimes.	
2 = The Applicant provided thoroughly description of the organization to include the symbolic value of the site as a highly recognized institution that renders the site a possible target of terrorism or hate crimes.	
Did the Applicant address the organization serving any population(s) at risk of being a target of violent attacks or hate crimes? If yes, identify the population(s) and explain why the population(s) is/are at risk of being the target(s) of violent attacks or hate crimes?	

II. Background (Total of 7 possible points)	Score										
(4 possible points)											
0 = The Applicant does not address the organization serving any population(s) at risk of being a target of violent attacks or hate crimes. 1 = The Applicant provided poor discussion of organization serving any population(s) at risk of being a target of violent attacks or hate crimes, and identifying the population(s) and explaining why the population(s) is/are at risk of being the target(s) of violent attacks or hate crimes.											
2 = The Applicant provided partial discussion of organization serving any population(s) at risk of being a target of violent attacks or hate crimes, and identifying the population(s) and explaining why the population(s) is/are at risk of being the target(s) of violent attacks or hate crimes.	0	1	2	3	4						
3 = The Applicant provided adequate discussion of organization serving any population(s) at risk of being a target of violent attacks or hate crimes, and identifying the population(s) and explaining why the population(s) is/are at risk of being the target(s) of violent attacks or hate crimes.											
4 = The Applicant provided thorough discussion of organization serving any population(s) at risk of being a target of violent attacks or hate crimes, and identifying the population(s) and explaining why the population(s) is/are at risk of being the target(s) of violent attacks or hate crimes.											
How well did the Applicant describe any previous or existing role in responding to or recovering from violent attacks or hate crimes due to											
ideology, beliefs, or mission. (1 possible points)											
0 = The Applicant did not provide description of previous or existing role in responding to or recovering from violent attacks or hate crimes due to ideology, beliefs, or mission.	0	1									

II. Background (Total of 7 possible points)	Score					
1 = The Applicant provided adequate description of previous or existing role in responding to or recovering from violent attacks or hate crimes due to ideology, beliefs, or mission.						

III. Risk (Total of 12 possible points)			Score		
In considering threat, how well did the Applicant address findings from previously conducted risk assessments, police reports, and/or insurance claims? (4 possible points)					
0 = The Applicant did not address findings from previously conducted risk assessments, police reports, and/or insurance claims.					
1 = The Applicant provided poor discussion of findings from previously conducted risk assessments, police reports, and/or insurance claims.					
2 = The Applicant provided partial discussion of findings from previously conducted risk assessments, police reports, and/or insurance claims.					
3 = The Applicant provided adequate discussion of findings from previously conducted risk assessments, police reports, and/or insurance claims.	0	1	2	3	4
4 = The Applicant provided thorough discussion of findings from previously conducted risk assessments, police reports, and/or insurance claims.					

III. Risk (Total of 12 possible points)			Score		
In considering vulnerabilities, how well did the Applicant describe the organization's susceptibility to destruction, incapacitation, or exploitation by a terrorist attack? (4 possible points)					
0 = The Applicant did not provide description of the organization's susceptibility to destruction, incapacitation, or exploitation by a terrorist attack.					
1 = The Applicant provided poor description of the organization's susceptibility to destruction, incapacitation, or exploitation by a terrorist attack.					
2 = The Applicant provided partial description of the organization's susceptibility to destruction, incapacitation, or exploitation by a terrorist attack.					
3 = The Applicant provided adequate description of the organization's susceptibility to destruction, incapacitation, or exploitation by a terrorist attack.	0	1	2	3	4
4 = The Applicant provided thorough description of the organization's susceptibility to destruction, incapacitation, or exploitation by a terrorist attack.					

III. Risk (Total of 12 possible points)			Score		
In considering potential consequences, how well did the Applicant address potential negative effects on the organization's asset, system, and/or network if damaged, destroyed, or disrupted by a terrorist attack? (4 possible points)					
0 = The Applicant did not address potential negative effects on the organization's asset, system, and/or network if damaged, destroyed, or disrupted by a terrorist attack.					
1 = The Applicant provided poor discussion of potential negative effects on the organization's asset, system, and/or network if damaged, destroyed, or disrupted by a terrorist attack.					
2 = The Applicant provided partial discussion of potential negative effects on the organization's asset, system, and/or network if damaged, destroyed, or disrupted by a terrorist attack.	0	1	2	3	4
3 = The Applicant provided adequate discussion of potential negative effects on the organization's asset, system, and/or network if damaged, destroyed, or disrupted by a terrorist attack.					
4 = The Applicant provided thorough discussion of potential negative effects on the organization's asset, system, and/or network if damaged, destroyed, or disrupted by a terrorist attack.					

IV. Security Enhancements (Total of 14 possible points)			Score		
How well did the proposed security enhancement activity mitigate the identified risk(s) and/or vulnerabilities? (4 possible points)					
0 = The Applicant did not provide description of how the proposed security enhancement activity will mitigate the identified risk(s).					
1 = The Applicant provided poor description of how the proposed security enhancement activity will mitigate the identified risk(s).					
2 = The Applicant provided partial description of how the proposed security enhancement activity will mitigate the identified risk(s).	0	1	2	3	4
3 = The Applicant provided adequate description of how the proposed security enhancement activity will mitigate the identified risk(s).					
4 = The Applicant provided thorough description of how the proposed security enhancement activity will mitigate the identified risk(s).					
Did the Applicant's proposed target hardening activity focus on the prevention of and/or protection against the terrorist attack? (4 possible points)					
0 = The Applicant's target hardening activity did not focus on the prevention or and/or protection against the risk of a terrorist attack.					
1 = The Applicant's target hardening activity poorly focused on the prevention or and/or protection against the risk of a terrorist attack.	0	1	2	3	1
2 = The Applicant's target hardening activity partially focused on the prevention or and/or protection against the risk of a terrorist attack.		I		3	7
3 = The Applicant's target hardening activity adequately focused on the prevention or and/or protection against the risk of a terrorist attack.					

IV. Security Enhancements (Total of 14 possible points)	Score				
4 = The Applicant's target hardening activity thoroughly focused on the prevention or and/or protection against the risk of a terrorist attack. Did the Applicant propose projects that are					
allowable based on the priorities of the program? (3 possible points)					
0 = The proposed projects are not allowable based on the priorities of the program.	0	1		3	
1 = The proposed projects are partially allowable but will compromise the successful implementation of the project.			2		
2 = The proposed projects are adequately allowable but could be resolved with a minor modification to the proposed project.					
3 = The proposed projects are all allowable based on the priorities of the program.					
Did the Applicant propose projects that are feasible based on the priorities of the program? (3 possible points)					
0 = The proposed projects are not feasible based on the priorities of the program.	0	1	2	3	
1 = The proposed projects are partially feasible but require significant changes.					
2 = The proposed projects are adequately feasible but require minor changes.					
3 = All proposed projects are feasible based on the priorities of the program.					

V. Milestones (Total of 5 possible points)	Score						
How well did the Applicant describe the milestones and the associated key activities that lead to the milestone event over the CSNSGP POP?							
0 = The Applicant did not provide description of milestones and associated activities that lead to the milestone event over the CSNSGP POP.	0						
1 = The Applicant provided poor description of milestones and associated activities that lead to the milestone event over the CSNSGP POP.							
2 = The Applicant provided partial description of milestones and associated activities that lead to the milestone event over the CSNSGP POP.		1	2	3	4	5	
3 = The Applicant provided moderate description of milestones and associated activities that lead to the milestone event over the CSNSGP POP.		•		3		3	
4 = The Applicant provided adequate description of milestones and associated activities that lead to the milestone event over the CSNSGP POP.							
5 = The Applicant provided thorough description of milestones and associated activities that lead to the milestone event over the CSNSGP POP.							

VI. Impact (Total of 5 possible points)			Sc	ore		
How well did the Applicant describe the outcomes/outputs that would indicate that the investment was successful?						
0 = The Applicant did not provide description of the outcomes/outputs that would indicate the investment was successful.						
1 = The Applicant provided poor description of the outcomes/outputs that would indicate the investment was successful.	0	1	2	3	4	5
2 = The Applicant provided partial description of the outcomes/outputs that would indicate the investment was successful.						

VI. Impact (Total of 5 possible points)	Score
3 = The Applicant provided moderate description of the outcomes/outputs that would indicate the investment was successful.	
4 = The Applicant provided adequate description of the outcomes/outputs that would indicate the investment was successful.	
5 = The Applicant provided thorough description of the outcomes/outputs that would indicate the investment was successful.	