

Subject Specific Grant Guide

Grants to Support Cyber Security Projects

This guide identifies funding opportunities released in the previous year. Please note that this guide may not capture all available funding opportunities. Additionally, some programs may have changed or may not be released due to shifting administrative priorities among funding agencies. The grants included here represent traditionally offered opportunities intended to serve as a reliable foundation for your funding research.

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Department: U.S. Department of Commerce
Agency: Economic Development Administration (EDA)

FY 2024 Good Jobs Challenge

Grant Overview

The purpose of this program is to support regional workforce training systems in designing and implementing activities for established sectoral partnerships that meet the existing and emerging skills needs of employers and that train and place program participants into good jobs. Eligible applicants are District Organizations of EDA-designated economic development districts, Indian Tribes, States, Counties, local governments, institutions of higher education, and public or private non-profits.

Program History

	Total Funding	# of Awards
2022/2023	$500 million	32

Key Information and Tips

Total Funding: $25 million
Award Range: $1 million - $8 million
Match: Varies
Solicitation date: July 29, 2024
Proposal due: September 27, 2024

https://www.eda.gov/arpa/good-job-challenge

Awardee Profile

Hampton Roads Workforce Council

North Carolina and Virginia

AMOUNT: $11,006,941
YEAR: 2023

Hampton Roads Workforce Council received funding to serve as the lead entity and backbone organization building regional talent pipelines across counties in Virginia and North Carolina, with an emphasis on in-demand blue economy, clean energy, and related cybersecurity jobs

Department: U.S. Department of Commerce
Agency: Economic Development Administration (EDA)

FY 2024 Good Jobs Challenge

Detailed Summary

The purpose of this program is to support regional workforce training systems in designing and implementing activities for established sectoral partnerships that place program participants in good jobs and advance industries in the federal key technology focus areas. The funding agency will support sectoral partnerships that train and place workers in good jobs and advance industries in key technologies that fortify the economic and national security of the United States and advance the competitiveness of the applicant's region.

Good jobs are defined by this program as a paid position of regular employment that ensure all workers are paid a stable, predictable living wage, receive basic benefits (e.g., paid leave, health insurance, retirement/savings plan), have safe working conditions, have the ability to form and join unions and engage in protected, concerted activity without fear of retaliation, and have equitable opportunities and tools to progress to future good jobs.

Applicants must propose sectoral partnerships that advance a key technology focus area (KTFA). Sectoral partnerships affiliated with a Tech Hub designee will be given benefits of that designation in the merit evaluation of applications and as a selection factor. Further, awards through this program must prioritize sectoral partnerships that include worker voice in design and execution through partnerships with labor unions or worker-serving organizations, and will prioritize aiding workers in fields impacted by changes in technology, and supporting their transition into good jobs.

KTFAs are defined as:

- Artificial intelligence, machine learning, autonomy, and related advances;
- High performing computing, semiconductors, and advanced computer hardware and software;
- Quantum information science and technology;
- Robotics, automation, and advanced manufacturing;
- Natural and anthropogenic disaster prevention or mitigation;
- Advanced communications technology and immersive technology;
- Biotechnology, medical technology, genomics, and synthetic biology;
- Data storage, data management, distributed ledger technologies, and cybersecurity, including biometrics;
- Advanced energy and industrial efficiency technologies, such as batteries and advanced nuclear technologies, including but not limited to for the purposes of electric generation; and
- Advanced materials science, including composites 2D materials, other next generation materials, and related manufacturing technologies.

Tech Hubs are defined as a consortium, designated by EDA, to strengthen the country's economic and national security, and global competitiveness by enabling the industries of the future to start, grow, and remain in regions across the United States.

EDA will prioritize sectoral partnerships that reach historically underserved populations and areas, communities of color, women, and other groups such as persons with disabilities, disconnected youth,

individuals in recovery, individuals with past criminal records including justice-impacted and reentry participants, individuals participating in the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF), and Women, Infants and Children (WIC), and veterans and military spouses. EDA also encourages partnerships with Historically Black Colleges and Universities, Tribal Colleges and Universities, or Minority-Serving Institutions.

Sectoral partnerships funded by this program must be led by a backbone organization. A backbone organization serves as an intermediary that organizes and works with employers, training participants, worker-serving organizations, employees, government agencies, and other organizations to solve problems within sectors and help grow sectors by developing trust and a base of knowledge about the organizations and businesses, as well as leveraging available public and private resources.

Awards made from this program will support activities related to program design and program implementation. This includes but is not limited to:

- Program/Training Design
    - Identifying the skills needed by industry and workers, develop the skills training curriculum and materials, and secure technical expertise needed to train workers with the skills needed by businesses, including providing professional development and capacity-building to trainers and educators.
- Program/Training Implementation
    - funding to deliver workforce training and wraparound services that place workers into good jobs through a new or expanded sectoral partnership.

Awards made from this program may support a diverse range of training models, including:

- Registered Apprenticeship Programs
- Skills Training Programs
- Pre-apprenticeship Programs.
- Other Work-and-Learn Models
- Certification or Credentialing Programs
- Labor Management Training Programs

Awards made through this program will provide skills for and connect unemployed or underemployed workers to good jobs in existing and emerging industries that do not necessarily require a four-year degree.

Eligibility

Eligible applicants are District Organizations of EDA-designated economic development districts, Indian Tribes, States, Counties, local governments, institutions of higher education, public or private non-profits, and any consortium made up of any of the above entities.

Applicants must propose a project that meets EDA's distress criteria. The distress criteria requirement may be met by one of the following options:

- Proposed project is located in a region that meets EDA's economic distress criteria:
    - Unemployment rate that is, for the most recent 24-month period for which data is available, at least one percentage point greater than the national average unemployment rate

    - Per capita income that is, for the most recent 24-month period for which data are available, 80 percent or less of the national average per capita income
    - 'Special Need' as determined by EDA
- Proposed project is located in an Economic Development District that is located in a region that does not meet EDA's economic distress criteria, and EDA determines the proposed project will be of substantial direct benefit to a geographic area within the EDD that meets EDA's economic distress criteria.
- Proposed project is located in a geographic area of poverty or high unemployment that meets EDA's distress criteria but which is located in a region that overall does not meet EDA's distress criteria.

Funding

In FY 2024, an estimated $25 million is available to 5 to 8 awards, ranging from $1 million to $8 million.

The period of performance varies, but EDA expects projects to range in duration from 24 months to 36 months.

Matching and Cost Sharing

Generally, applicants must fund at least 50 percent of the total project costs, but the EDA may fund up to 80 percent of total project costs based on the relative needs of the region.

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FEDERAL
GRANT PROFILE

Department: U.S. Department of Commerce
Agency: National Institute of Standards and Technology

FY 2025 Regional Alliances and Multistakeholder Partnerships to Stimulate (RAMPS) Cybersecurity Education and Workforce Development

Grant Overview

The purpose of this program is to build multistakeholder workforce partnerships of employers, schools and institutions of higher education, and other community organizations to develop cybersecurity career pathways that address local workforce needs. Effective multistakeholder workforce partnerships will organize multiple employers with skill shortages in specific occupations to focus on developing the skilled workforce to meet industry needs within the local or regional economy. Eligible applicants include accredited institutions of higher education; non-profit organizations; for-profit organizations incorporated in the United States; state, local, territorial, and Indian tribal governments.

Program History

	Total Funding	# of Awards
2016	$1 million	5

Key Information

Total Funding: Unspecified
Award Range: Up to $200,000
Match: 50 percent
Solicitation date: May 1, 2025
Proposal due: July 1, 2025

https://www.grants.gov/search-results-detail/358792

Tips

- Applicants must collect commitment letters from project partners from organizations such as institutions of higher education and employers or owners of critical infrastructure.
- Successful projects will create the local conditions to create an ecosystem equipped to fill a critical skill gap for the economy.

Department: U.S. Department of Commerce
Agency: National Institute of Standards and Technology

FY 2025 Regional Alliances and Multistakeholder Partnerships to Stimulate (RAMPS) Cybersecurity Education and Workforce Development

Detailed Summary

The purpose of this program is to build multistakeholder workforce partnerships of employers, schools and institutions of higher education, and other community organizations to develop cybersecurity career pathways that address local workforce needs. Effective multistakeholder workforce partnerships will organize multiple employers with skill shortages in specific occupations to focus on developing the skilled workforce to meet industry needs within the local or regional economy.

Each application must include a plan to establish a multistakeholder education and workforce partnership that includes, at a minimum, one institution of higher education or nonprofit training organization (that is not the applicant), and one local employer or owner or operator of critical infrastructure (that is not the applicant).

Participation from one or more of the following types of organizations is also encouraged: academic institutions in the Federal CyberCorps Scholarship for Service Program, the National Centers of Academic Excellence in Cybersecurity Program, or Advanced Technological Education programs; elementary and secondary schools; training and certification providers; economic development organizations; and other community organizations.

The applicant's proposed project must:

- Ensure that the partnership is employer-led, community-focused, learner-centered, standards-based, and outcomes-driven.
- Describe planned initiatives that align with the goals and objectives of the NICE Strategic Plan or help support the strategies of the NICE Implementation Plan.
- Advance uses of the NICE Framework, including through demonstration of how the stakeholders intend to use the NICE Framework.
- Identify the workforce needs of the local economy and assess such workforce in accordance with the NICE Framework, including ideas for how the multistakeholder organization would leverage the CyberSeek job heat map and career pathways (see https://cyberseek.org)
    - CyberSeek is a free online tool that provides data on the supply and demand of cybersecurity talent.
    - CyberSeek's interactive map shows a snapshot of open jobs across the United States. Additionally, the career pathway provides insight into the progression of a cybersecurity career.

- Identify opportunities available and recruit employers to support paid internships, externships, apprenticeships, or cooperative education programs in conjunction with education and training providers in the local community. Inclusion of programs that seek to include veterans, Indian Tribes, and underrepresented groups, including women, minorities, persons from rural and underserved areas, and persons with disabilities, is encouraged. Identify how it would collaborate with one or more Federal CyberCorps Scholarship for Service (SFS) (https://sfs.opm.gov/), National Centers of Academic Excellence in Cybersecurity (CAE) (http://www.caecommunity.org), or Advanced Technological Education (ATE) program (http://www.nsf.gov/ate) institutions located in the region.
    - The SFS Program, coordinated by the National Science Foundation, includes over 100 institutions of higher education aimed at improving the national capacity for the education of cybersecurity professionals.
    - Additionally, the CAE program, coordinated by the National Security Agency and the Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency, and the ATE program, coordinated by the National Science Foundation, each have designated regional centers for advancing cybersecurity education.
    - It is critical that RAMPS coordinate with the applicable regional centers and institutions to decrease duplication of efforts and to build on existing successful approaches.
- Define metrics that will be used to measure the success of their efforts. Metrics should include but not be limited to the number of SFS, CAE, and ATE programs that participate in the program, outcomes of workforce demand and supply assessment, outcomes of recruitment activities, timeliness of milestones reached, etc.

A successful project will create the local conditions (e.g., infrastructure for education providers, employers, and others to develop the cybersecurity education capabilities) to create an ecosystem equipped to fill a critical skill gap for the economy.

Applicant Eligibility

Eligible applicants include accredited institutions of higher education; non-profit organizations; for-profit organizations incorporated in the United States; state, local, territorial, and Indian tribal governments.

Applicants must also demonstrate, through commitment letters from project partners, that at least one of each of the following types of organizations is committed to being part of the proposed multistakeholder workforce partnership:

- At least one institution of higher education or nonprofit training organization.
- At least one local employer or owner or operator of critical infrastructure.

The minimum two required commitment letters must come from entities that are not the applicant.

Participation from academic institutions in the Federal CyberCorps Scholarship for Service Program, the National Centers of Academic Excellence in Cybersecurity Program, or Advanced Technological Education Program, as well as elementary and secondary schools, training and certification providers, State and local governments, economic development organizations, or other community organizations is encouraged.

Funding

In FY 2025, an unspecified amount of funding is available to support up to an anticipated 16 awards of up to $200,000 each through this program. The funding instrument that will be used is a cooperative agreement. Where cooperative agreements are used, the nature of the funding agency's "substantial involvement" will generally include collaboration with the recipient organization in developing and implementing the approved scope of work.

The authorized period of performance for awards issued is no more than two years.

Matching and Cost Sharing

Non-federal cost share is required. Specifically, non-federal cost share contributions, including in-kind contributions, in an amount not less than 50 percent of the Federal funds provided, are required for awards. The applicant's share of expenses may include cash, services, and third-party in-kind contributions. The source and detailed rationale of the cost share, including cash, full- and part-time personnel, and in-kind donations, must be documented in the Budget Narrative and Justification submitted with the application and will be considered as part of the review under the evaluation criterion.

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FEDERAL
GRANT PROFILE

Department: U.S. Department of Homeland Security
Agency: Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)

FY 2025 Homeland Security Grant Program (HSGP)

Grant Overview

The purpose of this program is to enhance the capabilities of state, local, tribal, and territorial governments, as well as nonprofits, in preventing, protecting against, and responding to terrorist attacks. Eligible applicants are the State Administrative Agencies (SAA). SAAs distribute HSGP funds through subawards to other states, local, or tribal organizations. **Eligible subrecipients include county-level or equivalent governments and federally recognized tribal governments in states bordering Canada or Mexico, or those with international water borders**

Program History

	Total Funding	# of Awards
2024	$1.008 billion	56
2023	$1.12 billion	56

Key Information and Tips

Total Funding: $454.5 million
Match: Not required
Solicitation date: July 28, 2025
Proposal due: August 11, 2025

https://www.grants.gov/search-results-detail/360158

Awardee Profile

The State of California

AMOUNT: $51.3 million
YEAR: 2024

The State of California received formula funding through this program to prevent, prepare for, protect against, and respond to acts of terrorism.

Department: U.S. Department of Homeland Security
Agency: Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)

FY 2025 Homeland Security Grant Program (HSGP)

Detailed Summary

The purpose of the Homeland Security Grant Program (HSGP) is to strengthen the nation's capacity to prevent, prepare for, protect against, and respond to acts of terrorism and other catastrophic events. The HSGP represents a comprehensive approach to national security, fostering collaboration across all levels of government and within communities to build a safer, more resilient nation. Through planning, training, equipment procurement, and exercises, the program ensures jurisdictions are prepared for a wide range of risks through the following two components:

- State Homeland Security Program (SHSP): The goal of SHSP is to support statewide and state, local, tribal, and territorial (SLTT) governments in building, enhancing, and sustaining the capabilities needed to prevent, prepare for, protect against, and respond to acts of terrorism.
- Operation Stonegarden (OPSG): The goal of OPSG is to support enhanced cooperation and coordination among Customs and Border Protection (CBP)/United States Border Patrol (USBP), and federal, state, local, tribal, and territorial law enforcement agencies to strengthen border security.

SHSP aims to strengthen the ability of states to prevent, prepare for, protect against, and respond to acts of terrorism and other hazards. OPSG, on the other hand, remains unique to border security, and focuses on improving cooperation between local, tribal, state, and federal law enforcement to secure America's international borders. These programs work together to build a secure and resilient nation, giving communities the tools and resources they need to handle various threats and emergencies effectively.

SHSP Objectives:

- Build and sustain core capabilities, including LETPA and the NPAs
- Address capability gaps identified in their THIRA and SPR process
- Implement a comprehensive and coordinated approach to address enduring security needs of communities that include planning, training and awareness campaigns, equipment and capital projects, and exercises.

SHSP Funding Priorities:

- Law Enforcement Terrorism Prevention Activities
- National Priority Areas
- Supporting Border Crisis Response and Enforcement
- Effective Planning
- Training and Awareness Campaigns
- Equipment and Capital projects
- Exercises

OPSG Objectives:

- Enhance collaboration and coordination among federal, state, local, tribal, and territorial law enforcement agencies to strengthen border security
- Support joint efforts to secure borders, including land and water routes, and critical travel corridors
- Improve information and intelligence sharing to address border-related threats effectively.

OPSG Funding Priorities:

- Jurisdictions are encouraged to participate in the 287(g) program as part of their OPSG efforts when coordinated with and endorsed by USBP.
- Funding dedicated to support 287(g) activities under OPSG is encouraged but does not count toward the 10% minimum allocation required for the new "Supporting Border Crisis Response and Enforcement" National Priority Area (NPA) under SHSP.

Applicant Eligibility

Eligible applicants are all 56 U.S. states and territories which includes any state, the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, the U.S. Virgin Islands, Guam, American Samoa, and the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.

The state administrative agency (SAA) is the only entity eligible to submit applications.

Subrecipient Eligibility Under HSGP, FEMA provides funds to each state's SAA. The SAA distributes these funds to other state or local organizations, such as city agencies or county departments. These distributed funds are called subawards, and the organizations receiving them are referred to as subrecipients.

- SHSP: All U.S. states and territories listed above are eligible. Tribal governments must work through their state's SAA.
- OPSG: Eligible subrecipients include county-level or equivalent governments and federally recognized tribal governments in states bordering Canada or Mexico, or those with international water borders. Applicants must have active U.S. Border Patrol operations coordinated with a U.S. Customs and Border Protection sector office to qualify. OPSG subrecipients are divided into three tiers based on their location:
    - Tier 1 includes counties or tribal governments directly on the land borders with Canada and Mexico, or those located directly on physical borders with Canada, Mexico, or along international water borders.
    - Tier 2 includes counties or tribal governments next to Tier 1 locations.
    - Tier 3 includes counties or tribal governments next to Tier 2 locations. The tier structure is only applicable with regard to eligibility. OPSG funding allocations are based on the assessed border security risks as determined by the U.S. Border Patrol.

Funding

In FY 2025, $454.5 million is available to support 56 awards through this program. Funding allocations are as follows:

- SHSP: $373,500,000 is available to support awards ranging from $997,200 up to $61,229,940

- OPSG: $81,000,000 is available to support awards ranging from $200,000 up to $33, 708,000

The period of performance is 36 months starting at the date of federal award.

Matching and Cost Sharing

Matching funds are not required for this program.

Contact Information

FEMA has assigned Preparedness Officers to each state for the HSGP. If you are unsure who your Preparedness Officer is, please contact FEMA Grants News by phone at (800) 368-6498 or by email at fema-grants-news@fema.dhs.gov, Monday through Friday, 9:00 AM – 5:00 PM ET.

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FEDERAL
GRANT PROFILE

Department: U.S. Department of Homeland Security
Agency: Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)

FY 2025 Homeland Security National Training Program (HSNTP): Continuing Training Grants

Grant Overview

This program supports building, sustaining, and delivering core capabilities through the development and delivery of training to achieve the funding agency's National Preparedness Goal, which is a secure and resilient nation with the capabilities required across the whole community to prevent, protect against, mitigate, respond to, and recover from the threats and hazards that pose the greatest risk. Eligible applicants are Local governments, county governments, 501C3 organizations, tribal governments, institutions of higher education, and state agencies.

Program History

	Total Funding
2016	$11.5 million

Key Information

Total Funding: $5.4 million
Award Range: Up to $5.4 million
Match: Not required
Solicitation date: August 01, 2025
Proposal due: August 15, 2025

https://www.fema.gov/grants/continuing-training

Tips

- The highest priority for this focus area is preparations for the 2026 FIFA World Cup in the United States.
- Projects must implement currently developed and certified DHS/FEMA training courses, which include innovative training approaches and concepts, such as immersive virtual reality, synchronous and asynchronous virtual training, and in-person demonstrations and drills

Department: U.S. Department of Homeland Security
Agency: Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)

FY 2025 Homeland Security National Training Program (HSNTP): Continuing Training Grants

Detailed Summary

The purpose of this program is to support building, sustaining, and delivering core capabilities through the development and delivery of training to achieve the funding agency's National Preparedness Goal, which is a secure and resilient nation with the capabilities required across the whole community to prevent, protect against, mitigate, respond to, and recover from the threats and hazards that pose the greatest risk. This program aims to improve the skills and knowledge of emergency responders and community members in handling incidents such as natural disasters, terrorist attacks, and other emergencies.

For the current fiscal year, the funding agency's focus areas for this program are:

- Focus Area 1 - delivery of rural and tribal preparedness training*:* Projects will deliver mission-critical, mission-essential training to build capabilities and expand capacities of states and tribal nations to prepare for, respond to, and recover from catastrophic disasters and complex incidents. Training may include the following topics:
    - Critical infrastructure in rural communities and tribal nations: training should address ways emergency management officials can advocate for and help advance plans to reduce the vulnerability of critical infrastructure to natural, technological, and human-caused threats and hazards by lessening the likelihood, severity, and duration of the adverse consequences
    - Continuity for rural communities and tribal nations: training should address the needs of government officials and emergency responders in rural communities and tribal nations in the development and validation of plans and procedures to ensure the continuity of essential government functions across a spectrum of emergencies
    - Crisis management for rural and tribal nation school-based incidents: training should address crisis management training for significant school-based incidents, including bomb threats, active shooter, severe weather, structural/mechanical failures, and hazardous materials releases

- Focus Area 2 - delivery of national special security event (NSSE) preparedness training: The highest priority for this focus area is preparations for the 2026 FIFA World Cup in the United States. Training may include the following topics:
    - Special event risk management and planning: training should develop capabilities for multiagency collaboration pertaining to sport and special event safety and security through activity-based training

- Special event incident management: training should focus on the unique aspects of response to an incident occurring during a sports/special event, including considerations for continuity and after-action activities
- Special event crowd management, evacuation, and protective action: training should provide tools and techniques for conducting crowd management, crowd control, evacuation, and sheltering operations
- Special event public information and emergency notification: training should address pre-event communications, emergency messaging, incident communications, and post incident communications

In general, projects must implement currently developed and certified Department of Homeland Security (DHS)/FEMA training courses. Projects should include innovative training approaches and concepts, such as immersive virtual reality, synchronous and asynchronous virtual training, and in-person demonstrations and drills.

Eligible costs include personnel, fringe benefits, travel, equipment, supplies, consultant costs, other direct costs, and indirect costs.

Applicant Eligibility

Eligible applicants are Local governments, county governments, tribal governments, 501c3 governments, institutions of higher education, and state agencies.

Applicants must have demonstrable experience and expertise in developing and delivering Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)-certified training. For applicants for Focus Area 2, this training must be for the national special security event audience.

For Focus Area 1 projects, additional points during the evaluation process will be awarded to projects that involve a partnership with tribes.

Each applicant may only submit a single application per focus area.

Funding

In FY 2025, a total of $5.4 million is available to support an estimated one to two cooperative agreements of up to $5.4 million through this program. Funding selections are expected to be made no later than September 1, 2025, and awards are expected to be issued by the same date. The project period will last for 36 months and is expected to begin on September 1, 2025, and end on August 31, 2028. Extensions to the project period may be permitted.

Management and administrative (M&A) costs are limited to 5 percent of the total award amount. This program aims to provide training at $10 in direct costs per student.

Matching and Cost Sharing

Matching funds are not required for this program.

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https://www.fema.gov/grants/continuing-training

FEDERAL
GRANT PROFILE

Department: U.S. Department of Homeland Security
Agency: Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)

FY 2025 Port Security Grant Program (PSGP)

Grant Overview

The purpose of this program is to strengthen port-wide risk management and protect critical surface transportation infrastructure from acts of terrorism, major disasters, and other emergencies. Funding will support activities associated with implementing Area Maritime Security Plans (AMSP), Facility Security Plans (FSPs), Vessel Security Plans (VSPs), and other port-wide risk management efforts. Eligible applicants are entities subject to an area maritime security plan, including port authorities, facility operators, and state, local, and territorial government agencies.

Program History

	Total Funding	Awards
2024	$90 million	203
2023	$100 million	299

Key Information and Tips

Total Funding: $90 million
Award Range: $10,000 - $6.5 million
Match: Varies by applicant type
Solicitation date: August 1, 2025
Proposal due: August 15, 2025

- Additional consideration will be given to projects certified by the U.S. Coast Guard Captain of the Port (COTP) as having a port-wide benefit.

https://www.fema.gov/grants/preparedness/port-security

Awardee Profile

City of San Rafael, CA

AMOUNT: $904,988
YEAR: 2024

The City of San Rafael received funding through the PSGP to support strengthened port-wide risk management and protect critical surface transportation infrastructure from acts of terrorism, major disasters, and other emergencies.

Department: U.S. Department of Homeland Security
Agency: Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)

FY 2025 Port Security Grant Program (PSGP)

Detailed Summary

The purpose of this program is to support strengthened port-wide risk management and protect critical surface transportation infrastructure from acts of terrorism, major disasters, and other emergencies. Funding will support port authorities; facility operators; and state, local, and territorial agencies for activities associated with implementing area maritime security plans (AMSP), facility security plans (FSPs), vessel security plans (VSPs), and other port-wide risk management efforts. Projects that enhance business continuity and resumption of trade within a port area are also eligible.

This program provides resources that support port authorities; facility operators; and state, local, and territorial agencies in meeting the following objectives:

1. Build and sustain core capabilities of maritime infrastructure systems in alignment with the FY 2025 National Priority Areas (NPAs).
2. Address and close gaps identified in Area Maritime Security Plans and Facility Security Plans.
3. Implement a comprehensive and coordinated (all-inclusive) approach to address enduring security needs of communities that includes planning, training and awareness campaigns, equipment and capital projects, and exercises.

The FY 2025 National Priority Areas (NPAs) reflect the funding agency's broader mission across all preparedness efforts. Applicants should be familiar with these NPAs, as they represent DHS's current focus areas and may shape future guidance:

1. Enhancing the protection of soft targets and crowded places,
    a. This includes faith-based organizations and election sites;
2. Supporting Homeland Security Task Forces and fusion centers;
3. Enhancing and integrating cybersecurity resiliency;
4. Enhancing election security; and
5. Supporting Border Crisis Response and Enforcement.
    a. Example activities under border crisis response and enforcement support may include:
    b. Participation in the Department of Homeland Security/Immigration and Customs Enforcement 287(g) training program;
    c. Cooperation with Immigration and Customs Enforcement detainers; and
    d. Other jurisdictional responsibilities to support the enforcement of the United States immigration law.

Enduring needs include:

6. Effective planning
7. Training and awareness campaigns

8. Equipment and capital projects
9. Exercises

For FY 2025, the Administration encourages applicants to propose innovative solutions that support the broader homeland security mission reflected in the NPAs, as applicable. Applicants must clearly demonstrate how their proposed projects address an NPA and how they align with the stated purpose and objectives of this NOFO. Projects that do so will have their final review scores increased by a multiplier of 20%. Additionally, projects submitted by a public sector applicant or projects otherwise certified by the USCG Captain of the Port (COTP) as having a port-wide benefit will have their final scores increased by a multiplier of 10%.

Applicant Eligibility

Eligible applicants are entities subject to an area maritime security plan (AMSP), as defined by Title 46, Section 70103(b) of the U.S. Code (U.S.C.). Eligible applicants include but are not limited to port authorities, facility operators, and state, local, and territorial government agencies.

For the purposes of this program, a facility operator is defined as an entity that owns, leases, or operates any structure or facility of any kind located in, on, under, or adjacent to any waters subject to the jurisdiction of the United States, including terminal operators, ferry systems, bar/harbor pilots, and merchant's exchanges.

Eligibility for funding of explosives detection canine teams (EDCTs) is restricted to:

- U.S. ferry systems regulated under Title 33 of the Code of Federal Regulations (C.F.R.) Parts 101, 103, and 104, and the passenger terminals these specific ferries service under 33 C.F.R. Part 105
- Maritime Transportation Security Act (MTSA)-regulated facilities
- Port authorities, port police, and local law enforcement agencies that provide direct layered security for these U.S. ferry systems and MTSA-regulated facilities and are defined in the AMSP, facility security plans (FSPs), or vessel security plans (VSPs)

All applicants must be fully compliant with relevant maritime security regulations under Title 33, Parts 101-106 of the C.F.R.

Prior to receiving awards, award recipients must ensure and maintain adoption and implementation of the National Incident Management System (NIMS).

An eligible entity may submit no more than one application within each port area. An application may contain up to five Investment Justifications (IJs). Large projects that implement multiple components in multiple port areas should be submitted as separate applications. The funding agency will generally view multiple agencies within a local government operating within one port area as a single eligible entity. An eligible entity operating multiple facilities, departments, subcomponents, or agencies within a single port area may choose to submit separate applications for facilities, departments, subcomponents, or agencies within it; however, any such separate applications will be considered part of the same eligible entity for purposes of the program's matching requirements. In general, each individual facility, department, subcomponent, or agency of a single eligible entity should submit no more than one application.

Funding

In FY 2025, a total of $90 million is available to support approximately 200 awards ranging from $10,000 to $6.5 million through this program.

The anticipated funding selection date is no later than August 23, 2025. The projected period of performance will begin on September 1, 2025 and conclude on August 31, 2028.

Costs for the acquisition, operation, and maintenance of security equipment or facilities to be used for security monitoring and recording, security gates and fencing, marine barriers for designated security zones, security-related lighting systems, remote surveillance, concealed video systems, security vessels, and other security-related infrastructure or equipment that contributes to the overall security of passengers, cargo, or crew members is limited to $1 million per project; however, this limitation does not apply to projects funded under other provisions of Section 70107 of the U.S.C.

Costs for explosive detection canine teams (EDCTs) are limited to $150,000 per year for three years, for a total of $450,000. Management and administration (M&A) costs are limited to up to 5 percent of the total award amount.

Applicants must obtain written approval from the funding agency for construction or renovation projects. Iron and steel, manufactured products, and construction materials used in the infrastructure must be produced in the United States to be considered an eligible use of funds.

Matching and Cost Sharing

In general, all public sector applicants must provide at least 25 percent of the total project costs via nonfederal cash and/or in-kind contributions. Applicants that are private, for-profit entities must provide at least 50 percent of the total project costs via nonfederal cash and/or in-kind contributions.

The following exceptions to the match requirements may apply:

- Projects that have a port-wide benefit need only be funded at the public sector matching level, regardless of applicant entity type
- Matching funds are not required for applicants whose total project requests are less than $25,000
- Matching funds are not required for projects that train public safety personnel in the enforcement of security zones or in assisting in the enforcement of such security zones

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FEDERAL
GRANT PROFILE

Department: U.S. Department of Homeland Security
Agency: Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)

FY 2025 State and Local Cybersecurity Grant Program (SLCGP)

Grant Overview

The purpose of this program is to strengthen the cybersecurity practices and resilience of state, local, and territorial (SLT) governments. The Governor-designated SLCGP State Administrative Agency (SAA) is the only entity eligible to submit SLCGP applications to DHS. Eligible subrecipients include local governments.

Program History

	Total Funding	# of Awards
2024	$279 million	56
2023	$374 million	56

Key Information

Total Funding: $91,750,000
Award Range: $255,679 - $4,174,163
Match: 40 percent (30 percent for multi-entity projects)
Solicitation date: August 1, 2025
Proposal due: August 15, 2025

https://www.fema.gov/grants/preparedness/state-local-cybersecurity-grant-program

Tips

- All applicants with a Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA) approved Cybersecurity Plan must submit their current Cybersecurity Plan to CISA via the FEMA SLCGP Inbox at FEMA-SLCGP@fema.dhs.gov no later than January 30, 2026.
- Multiple eligible entities may group together to address cybersecurity risks and threats to information systems within the states and territories which are the eligible entities.

Department: U.S. Department of Homeland Security
Agency: Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)

FY 2025 State and Local Cybersecurity Grant Program (SLCGP)

Detailed Summary

The purpose of this program is to strengthen the cybersecurity practices and resilience of state, local, and territorial (SLT) governments. This program enables the funding agency to make targeted cybersecurity investments in SLT governments, thus improving the security of critical infrastructure and improving the resilience of the services SLT governments provide their communities.

The goal of the SLCGP is to assist SLT governments with managing and reducing systemic cyber risk. This goal can be achieved over the course of the four years of SLCGP funding as applicants focus their cybersecurity plans, priorities, projects, and implementation toward addressing SLCGP objectives.

Applicants are required to submit applications that address at least one of the following program objectives in their applications:

- Objective 1: Develop and establish appropriate governance structures, including by developing, implementing, or revising cybersecurity plans, to improve capabilities to respond to cybersecurity incidents and ensure continuity of operations.
- Objective 2: Understand their current cybersecurity posture and areas for improvement based on continuous testing, evaluation, and structured assessments.
- Objective 3: Implement security protections commensurate with risk.
- Objective 4: Ensure organization personnel are appropriately trained in cybersecurity, commensurate with responsibility.

Award recipients will be required to develop a cybersecurity plan, establish a cybersecurity planning committee to support development of the plan, and identify projects to implement using program funding. Cybersecurity plans must include the following activities:

- Conducting assessments and evaluations as the basis for individual projects throughout the life of the program
- Prioritizing key cybersecurity best practices and consulting Cybersecurity Performance Goals (CPGs).
    - CPGs are a prioritized subset of information technology and operational technology cybersecurity practices aimed at meaningfully reducing risks to both critical infrastructure operations and the American people.
    - These goals are applicable across all critical infrastructure sectors and are informed by the most common and impactful threats and adversary tactics, techniques, and

procedures observed by CISA and its government and industry partners, making them a common set of protections that all critical infrastructure entities—from large to small—should implement.

- CPGs do not reflect an all-encompassing cybersecurity program. Rather, they are a minimum set of practices that organizations should implement toward ensuring a strong cybersecurity posture.
- The Cross-Sector CPGs are regularly updated, with a targeted revision cycle of at least every 6 to 12 months.

Funding may be used for developing, updating, and implementing a cybersecurity plan. Allowable investments made in support of this goal must fall into the categories of planning, organization, equipment, training, or exercises (POETE), aligned to closing capability gaps or sustaining capabilities.

Applicant Eligibility

Eligible applicants are all 56 states and territories, including any state of the United States, the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, the U.S. Virgin Islands, Guam, American Samoa, and the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands. The Governor-designated SLCGP State Administrative Agency (SAA) is the only entity eligible to submit SLCGP applications to DHS.

Sub-applicants and subawards are allowed. Sub-applicants should not have foreign nationals or noncitizens included. Eligible subrecipients include local governments and do not include nonprofit and for-profit organizations. A public educational institution (e.g., elementary school, secondary school, or institution of higher education) is generally eligible to receive assistance under SLCGP if it is an agency or instrumentality of a state or local government under state and/or local law.

Multiple eligible entities may group together to address cybersecurity risks and threats to information systems within the states and territories that are the eligible entities. The multi-entity project submissions must be approved by each of the participating state or territory's cybersecurity planning committees, and each of the multi-entity project submissions must be aligned with each of the participating state's or territory's respective cybersecurity plan.

Only one application may be submitted by each eligible entity, and no more than four investment justifications may be submitted with the application.

Funding

In FY 2025, a total of $91,750,000 is available to support 56 awards through this program. Each state and territory will receive a baseline allocation using thresholds established in section 2200A(1) of the Homeland Security Act of 2002.

The project period is 48 months and is expected to begin on September 1, 2025, and end on August 31, 2029.

All 50 states, the District of Columbia, and the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico will receive a minimum of $1,000,000 each, equaling 1% of total funds made available for the SLCGP in FY 2025. Each of the four territories (American Samoa, Guam, the Northern Mariana Islands, and the U.S. Virgin Islands) will receive a

minimum of $250,000 equaling 0.25% of the total funds made available for the SLCGP in FY 2025. Additionally, $19,375,000, 50% of the remaining amount, will be apportioned based on the ratio that the population of each state or territory bears to the population of all states and territories. The remaining $19,375,000 equaling the other 50% of the remaining amount, will be apportioned based on the ratio that the population of each state that resides in rural areas bears to the population of all states that resides in rural areas. If a state or territory does not apply, its initial allocation will be redistributed to the other states and territories per the statutory formula. Final allocation amounts will be determined after the Application Deadline date. Applicants will be notified of the final allocation amounts and required cost share after the Application Deadline.

Matching and Cost Sharing

Eligible entities must meet a 40 percent cost share requirement for this program. The cost share for multi-entity projects is 30 percent. The cost share applies to each activity funded by the grant award rather than just the cumulative total of all activities.

Cost share requirements are waived for the insular areas of the U.S. territories of American Samoa, Guam, the U.S. Virgin Islands, and the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands. In addition, the matching requirement may be waived or modified for entities demonstrating economic hardship.

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FEDERAL
GRANT PROFILE

Department: U.S. Department of Homeland Security
Agency: Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)

FY 2025 Transit Security Grant Program

Grant Overview

This program provides funds to public transit agencies to protect critical surface transportation infrastructure and the traveling public from acts of terrorism. Eligible applicants are passenger rail, intra-city bus, and ferry systems listed in the NOFO on pages 36-37. These agencies are determined based on ridership and their status as transit systems that serve historically eligible Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI) urban areas with updated and approved security plans.

Program History

	Total Funding
2024	$83.7 million
2023	$100 million

Key Information and Tips

Total Funding: $83.7 million
Award Range: $352,721– $46,900,219
Match: Not Required
Solicitation date: August 1, 2025
Proposal due: August 15, 2025

- Applicants receiving funds through this program must also participate in a Regional Transit Security Working Group (RTSWG) or develop a RTSWG if one does not already exist.

https://www.grants.gov/search-results-detail/360204

Awardee Profile

Chicago Transit Authority, Chicago, IL

AMOUNT: $19,268,840
YEAR: 2024

Chicago Transit Authority received a grant of nearly $20 million to protect critical surface transportation and the traveling public from acts of terrorism and to increase the resilience of transit infrastructure.

Department: U.S. Department of Homeland Security
Agency: Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)

FY 2025 Transit Security Grant Program (TSGP)

Detailed Summary

The purpose of this program is to protect critical surface transportation infrastructure and the traveling public from acts of terrorism and increasing the resilience of the transportation infrastructure itself. To accomplish this, TSGP funds build and sustain core capabilities relevant to transit security and annual National Priority Areas (NPAs) and address and close gaps identified in transit agency vulnerability assessments and the agency's Public Transportation Risk Assessment Methodology. Funding under this program also supports continuous emergency-related planning, exercising and training processes and the use of this cycle to test plans, validate capabilities, identify gaps, inform investments, and continuously update plans to reflect organizational changes as well as findings from exercises and real-world events. Funds will be awarded to eligible public transportation agencies, which include intra-city bus, ferries, and passenger rail.

The FY 2025 NPAs for FEMA's preparedness grant programs are:

- Enhancing the protection of soft targets/crowded places:
    - This includes faith-based organizations and election sites;
- Supporting Homeland Security Task Forces and fusion centers
- Enhancing and integrating cybersecurity resiliency;
- Enhancing election cybersecurity: and
- Border Crisis Response and Enforcement Support
    - Example activities include:
        - Participation in the Department of Homeland Security/Immigration and Customs Enforcement 287(g) training program
        - Cooperation with Immigration and Customs Enforcement detainers
        - Other jurisdictional responsibilities to support the enforcement of United States Immigration Law

Projects that sufficiently address one or more of the NPAs will have their final review scores increased by a multiplier of 20%. There are several enduring needs identified by this program that include effective planning, training and awareness campaigns, equipment and capital projects, and exercises.

Investment Justification (IJ): As part of the FY 2025 TSGP application process, applicants must develop a formal IJ that addresses each initiative being proposed for funding, including a project's management and administration (M&A) costs. An agency may submit up to eight IJs. Agencies may also submit up to five additional IJs for projects related to law enforcement providers that are not part of the public transportation agency. Law enforcement providers may only submit projects that support a transit system's operational security capability and capacity. IJs must demonstrate how proposed projects address gaps and deficiencies (identified in a current vulnerability assessment) and must link to one or more core capabilities identified in the National Preparedness Goal.

Operational Packages (OPacks): Applicants that meet basic OPack eligibility requirements may elect to pursue OPack funding for Canine Teams, Mobile Explosives Detection Screening Teams, and Anti-Terrorism Teams, for new capabilities as well as to sustain existing OPacks. Applicants pursuing both new OPacks and sustainment funding for existing OPacks must indicate in their IJs which option is the higher priority for their agency. Additionally, applicants pursuing either new teams or sustainment of existing teams must include the number of OPack teams already in place (either funded by the agency or by TSGP). In addition, recipients must commit to minimum training standards for all Federally funded OPack positions.

Applicant Eligibility

Eligible applicants are governmental agencies with eligible rail, intra-city bus, and ferry systems listed on pages 36-37 of the NOFO. Eligible transit agencies are determined based on daily unlinked passenger trips (ridership) and transit systems that serve historically eligible Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI) areas. Each public transportation agency receiving funds through this program must also participate in a Regional Transit Security Working Group (RTSWG) or develop a RTSWG if one does not already exist. Certain ferry systems are eligible to apply for funding through this program; however, ferry systems that elect to participate will not be considered for funding through the Port Security Grant Program (PSGP). All eligible agencies must have an updated and approved security plan. Awardees must also ensure and maintain adoption and implementation of the National Incident Management System (NIMS).

An immigration term and condition may be material to the funding agency's decision to make this grant award, and the funding agency may take any remedy for noncompliance, including termination, if the state or territorial recipient or any local government subrecipient fails to comply with this term and condition. No final agency determination has been made as of the date of this publication.

Funding

In FY 2025, a total of $83.7 million is available to support 25 awards through this program. Awards are expected to range from $352,721 to $46,900,219. Awards will be announced no later than August 23, 2025, and awards will be made no later than September 30, 2025. The projected period of performance start date is September 1, 2025, and the end date is either August 31, 2028 or August 31, 2029. The period of performance for capital infrastructure projects is 48 months and 36 months for all other projects.

Matching and Cost Sharing

Matching funds are not required for this program.

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FEDERAL
GRANT PROFILE

Department: U.S. Department of Homeland Security
Agency: Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)

FY 2024 Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI)

Grant Overview

This program assists high-threat, high-density urban areas in efforts to build, sustain, and deliver the capabilities necessary to prevent, prepare for, protect against, and respond to acts of terrorism. Eligible applicants are state administrative agencies (SAAs) submitting applications on behalf of specific designated urban areas.

Program History

	Total Funding	# of Awards
2023	$615 million	40

Key Information and Tips

Total Funding: $1,008,000,000
Match: Not required
Solicitation date: April 16, 2024
Proposal due: June 24, 2024

- States, territories, and high-risk urban area applicants through this component are required to complete a threat and hazard identification and risk assessment (THIRA)/stakeholder preparedness review (SPR)

https://www.fema.gov/grants/preparedness/homeland-security

Awardee Profile

State of Maryland

AMOUNT: $3,410,728
YEAR: 2024

The State of Maryland received an allocation of funding to increase security in the designated urban area of Baltimore.

Department: U.S. Department of Homeland Security
Agency: Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)

FY 2024 Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI)

Detailed Summary

The purpose of the Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI) component is to assist high-threat, high-density urban areas in efforts to build, sustain, and deliver the capabilities necessary to prevent, prepare for, protect against, and respond to acts of terrorism.

For FY 2024, this program is focused on the criticality of information sharing and collaboration to building a national culture of preparedness and protecting against terrorism and other threats to national security. All projects must address the following identified priority areas related to the most serious threats to the nation:

- Enhancing the protection of soft targets/crowded places
- Enhancing information and intelligence sharing and analysis
- Combating domestic violent extremism
- Enhancing cybersecurity
- Enhancing community preparedness and resilience
- Enhancing election security

Funding will also support activities to address capability gaps identified through the threat and hazard identification and risk assessment (THIRA) and stakeholder preparedness review (SPR) process. Applicants should also consider allocating funding across core capability gaps and national priorities to address the following enduring needs that will help the implementation of a comprehensive approach to securing communities:

- Effective planning
- Training and awareness campaigns
- Equipment and capital projects
- Exercises

Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI) program assists high-threat, high-density urban areas in efforts to build, sustain, and deliver the capabilities necessary to prevent, prepare for, protect against, and respond to acts of terrorism.

As part of the application process, applicants must develop formal investment justifications (IJs) that address the proposed investments. Applicants must propose at least two and may include up to twelve investments. Within each investment in their IJ, applicants must propose at least one project to describe the activities they plan to implement. Applicants must propose one IJ and at least one respective project for the enhancing election security priority area. All projects associated with the minimum spend of a priority area must be submitted in the same IJ. Applicants must also identify a fusion center project that will indicate alignment to a designated fusion center. Applicants must coordinate with the designated fusion center when developing the

fusion center project. All applicants must complete a THIRA/SPR and prioritize funds to support building capability, closing capability gaps, or sustaining capabilities that address national priorities and/or support enduring needs. Additional information on the THIRA/SPR process, including other National Preparedness System (NPS) tools and resources, can be found online at Planning Guides | FEMA.gov Eligible funding uses include:

- Planning-related costs
- Organization-related costs
- Equipment-related costs
- Training-related costs
- Exercise-related costs
- Personnel hiring, overtime, and backfill expenses in order to perform allowable planning, organization, training, exercise, and equipment activities
- Operational overtime costs
- Domestic travel costs
- Construction and renovation costs to achieve capability targets related to preventing, preparing for, protecting against, or responding to acts of terrorism
- Maintenance- and sustainment-related costs, such as maintenance contracts, warranties, repair or replacement costs, upgrades, and user fees
- Critical emergency supplies
- Secure identification costs

Applicant Eligibility

Eligible applicants are state administrative agencies (SAAs) submitting applications on behalf of designated urban areas. The approved designated urban areas under this program can be found here.

There is no limit to the number of projects that may be submitted.

Funding

In FY 2024, $1.008 billion is available to support awards of up to $553 million through this program. Awards amounts are allocated through a funding formula. A list of allocations can be found here.

Matching funds are not required for this program.

The project period is 36 months. Extensions to the initial project period will only be considered through formal, written requests, and such requests will only be granted due to compelling legal, policy, or operational challenges.

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FEDERAL
GRANT PROFILE

Department: U.S. Department of Justice
Agency: Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS)

FY 2025 Community Policing Development (CPD) Microgrants Program

Grant Overview

The Community Policing Development (CPD) Microgrants are used to develop the capacity of law enforcement to implement community policing strategies by providing guidance on promising practices through the development and testing of innovative strategies; building knowledge about effective practices and outcomes; and supporting new, creative approaches to preventing crime and promoting safe communities. Eligible applicants are local, state, tribal, and territorial law enforcement agencies.

Program History

	Total Funding	# of Awards
2024	$25 million	38
2023	$44 million	38
2022	$5 million	37

Key Information and Tips

Total Funding: $8.8 million
Award Range: Up to $175,000
Match: Not required
Solicitation date: May 14, 2025
Proposal due: June 24, 2025 (Grants.gov)
June 30, 2025 (JustGrants)

- The funding agency welcomes applications under which two or more entities would carry out the federal award; however, only one entity may be the applicant.

https://cops.usdoj.gov/cpdmicrogrants

Awardee Profile

City of Austin, TX

AMOUNT: $175,000
YEAR: 2024

The City of Austin will use Microgrants funding to launch the Austin Downtown Entertainment District Pilot Project to build trust in police and to gain legitimacy within the community.

Department: U.S. Department of Justice
Agency: Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS)

FY 2025 Community Policing Development (CPD) Microgrants Program

Detailed Summary

The purpose of this program is to develop the capacity of law enforcement to implement community policing strategies by providing guidance on promising practices through the development and testing of innovative strategies; building knowledge about effective practices and outcomes; and supporting new, creative approaches to preventing crime and promoting safe communities.

Community policing is a philosophy that promotes organizational strategies that support the systematic use of partnerships and problem-solving techniques to proactively address the immediate conditions that give rise to public safety issues such as violent crime, nonviolent crime, and fear of crime. To read an overview of the principles of community policing, please see the COPS Office publication Community Policing Defined.

The goal of the program is to increase the use of community policing principles to address public safety problems facing communities and law enforcement agencies through innovative strategies and projects. The objectives are to fund law enforcement agencies to develop and implement innovative projects that use common sense policing strategies in addressing public safety issues and to increase awareness of innovative projects and promising practices among the broader law enforcement field.

Applicants are invited to propose demonstration or pilot projects to be implemented in their agency offering creative ideas that advance crime fighting, community engagement, problem solving, or organizational changes in support of community policing in one of seven engagement areas: (1) uplifting the image of the law enforcement profession, (2) officer recruitment, hiring and retention, (3) violent crime prevention (to include street gangs, gun violence and the enforcement of gun laws, federal task force engagement, child trafficking or other violent crime issues, (4) immigration and border security, (5) opioids and drug market interruption, (6) homelessness and squatting, (7) open for innovative projects not fitting in any other category. The COPS Office encourages law enforcement agencies to partner with community groups, institutions of higher education, and other stakeholders to implement the proposed project so that they may collaborate to develop shared goals that will enhance the collective safety of the community. The COPS Office also encourages agencies to propose partnerships with other law enforcement entities through taskforces and other formal operational arrangements to address the chosen area of focus.

Applicant Eligibility

Eligible applicants are local, state, tribal, and territorial law enforcement agencies.

The funding agency welcomes applications under which one or more entities would carry out the federal award; however, only one entity may be the applicant. Any other entities carrying out the federal award must be identified as proposed subrecipients.

Funding

In FY 2025, approximately $8.8 million is anticipated to be available to support an anticipated 63 awards of up to $175,000. The anticipated period of performance duration is 24 months with an anticipated start date of October 1, 2025.

Matching and Cost Sharing

There is no requirement for cost sharing or a local match for these awards.

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FEDERAL
GRANT PROFILE

Department: U.S. Department of Justice
Agency: Office of Justice Programs (OJP)

FY 2024 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program — Local Solicitation

Grant Overview

The purpose of this program is to provide additional personnel, equipment, supplies, contractual support, training, technical assistance, and information systems for criminal justice or civil proceedings to states to support a range of program areas. Through this solicitation, the funding agency seeks to award funding to eligible units of local government. Eligible applicants are special district governments, city or township governments, county governments, and federally recognized Native American tribal governments.

Program History

	Total Funding	# of Awards
2023	$96,792,308	953
2021	$84,893,800	901

Key Information

Total Funding: $84,921,048
Award Range: Varies
Match: Not required
Solicitation date: September 4, 2024
Proposal due: October 16, 2024 (Grants.gov)
October 22, 2024 (JustGrants)

https://bja.ojp.gov/funding/opportunities/o-bja-2024-172239

Awardee Profile

Allegheny County Justice Assistance Grant

Allegheny County and City of Pittsburgh, PA

AMOUNT: $253,556
YEAR: 2023

Both grantees will use JAG funds for sustaining a critical position, overtime for training, and to update and add equipment.

Department: U.S. Department of Justice
Agency: Office of Justice Programs (OJP)

FY 2024 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program — Local Solicitation

Detailed Summary

The purpose of this program is to provide additional personnel, equipment, supplies, contractual support, training, technical assistance, and information systems for criminal justice or civil proceedings to states to support a range of program areas. Through this solicitation, the funding agency seeks to award funding to eligible units of local government.

In general, JAG funds awarded to a unit of local government under the FY 2024 program may be used to hire additional personnel and/or purchase equipment, supplies, contractual support, training, technical assistance, and information systems for criminal justice or civil proceedings, including for any one or more of the following program areas:

- Law enforcement programs
- Prosecution and court programs
- Prevention and education programs
- Corrections and community corrections programs
- Drug treatment and enforcement programs
- Planning, evaluation, and technology improvement programs
- Crime victim and witness programs (other than compensation)
- Mental health programs and related law enforcement and corrections programs, including behavioral programs and crisis intervention teams
- Implementation of state crisis intervention court proceedings and related programs or initiatives, including, but not limited to, mental health courts, drug courts, veterans courts, and extreme risk protection order programs

Key areas of priority for the funding agency include prevention and prosecution of hate crimes, election security, enhancing justice system reform strategies, advancing equity and support for underserved communities, and violent crime reduction.

The funding agency encourages recipients of FY 2024 JAG funds to coordinate with federal criminal justice agencies and other stakeholders, including communities most impacted by crime and violence, in addressing these challenges.

Funds may also be used to:

- Support reentry projects with the goal of improving outcomes for incarcerated individuals returning to the community from prison or jail.
- Support public defense systems, including the hiring and retention of attorneys.

- Support projects related to preventing, detecting, seizing, and/or stopping the presence and use of contraband cellphones within correctional facilities. This includes the purchasing of managed access systems and other mitigation technologies (as permitted by applicable law).
- Purchase fentanyl and methamphetamine detection equipment, including handheld instruments and training for law enforcement safety, as well as opioid reversal agents.
- Purchase drug-detection canines to combat the rise of drug trafficking, including that of methamphetamines.
- Support efforts to seal and expunge criminal history information in accordance with state laws and policies.
- Support efforts to attract and retain an inclusive, diverse, expert, and accountable law enforcement workforce that reflects the community it serves.
- Support virtual reality de-escalation training.
- Purchase humane remote restraint devices that enable law enforcement to restrain an uncooperative subject without inflicting pain.
- Purchase gunfire detection technology.
- Support implementation of Rapid DNA at the booking station to include assisting with the initial costs associated with updating criminal history systems, integration with booking station systems, and purchasing new technologies associated with Rapid DNA at the booking station (Note: JAG funds may not be used for Rapid DNA testing of evidentiary material).
- Purchase an Electronic Tracing System (eTrace)
- Purchase a NIBIN Enforcement Support System (NESS)

Additionally, JAG funds awarded under this FY 2024 solicitation may be used for any purpose indicated here.

Applicant Eligibility

Eligible applicants are designated special district governments, city or township governments, county governments, and federally recognized Native American tribal governments.

Eligible allocations by state for the fiscal year (FY) 2024 JAG Program can be found here.

Funding

In FY 2024, approximately $84,921,048 is expected to be available to support an anticipated 1,140 awards through this program. However, this anticipated award amount is to be split between two categories as follows:

- Category 1: 587
- Category 2: 553

Additionally, the anticipated maximum dollar amount per award will vary as follows:

- Category 1: Up to $25,000
- Category 2: Up to $4,023,772

Awards may be provided in advance or on a reimbursement basis. Project periods for this program will be as follows:

- Category 1 — Eligible Allocation Amounts of Less than $25,000: Units of local government that are listed on the JAG web page as eligible for an allocation amount of less than $25,000 should apply under Category 1. This includes direct and joint (disparate) allocations. Category 1 awards of less than $25,000 are 2 years in length. Extensions of up to 2 years can be requested for these awards via JustGrants no fewer than 30 days prior to the project period end date and will be automatically granted upon request.
- Category 2 — Eligible Allocation Amounts of $25,000 or More: Units of local government that are listed on the JAG web page as eligible for an allocation amount of $25,000 or more should apply under Category 2. This includes direct and joint (disparate) allocations. Category 2 awards of at least $25,000 are 4 years in length. Extensions beyond this period may be made on a case-by-case basis at the discretion of the funding agency and must be requested via JustGrants no fewer than 30 days prior to the project period end date.

Up to 10 percent of a JAG award, including up to 10 percent of any earned interest, may be used for costs associated with administering the award, which can include indirect costs.

Matching and Cost Sharing

Matching funds are not required for this program.

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FEDERAL
GRANT PROFILE

Department: U.S. Department of Justice
Agency: Bureau of Justice Assistance

FY 2025 Intellectual Property Enforcement Program (IPEP): Protecting Public Health, Safety, and the Economy from Counterfeit Goods and Product Piracy

Grant Overview

This program supports state, local, tribal, and territorial law enforcement and prosecutors that have an intellectual property (IP) enforcement task force or plan to create one. Eligible applicants are state, county, city or township, special district, and Native American tribal governments (federally recognized); public and state-controlled institutions of higher education; law enforcements agencies; and prosecutors.

Program History

	Total Funding	# of Awards
2024	$2.1 million	6

Key Information

Total Funding: $2.4 million
Award Range: Up to $400,000
Match: Not required
Solicitation date: January 17, 2025
Proposal due: April 3, 2025 (Grants.gov), April 10, 2025 (JustGrants)

https://bja.ojp.gov/funding/opportunities/o-bja-2025-172355

Awardee Profile

County of Los Angeles, CA

AMOUNT: $375,000
YEAR: 2024

Los Angeles County aims to enhance its strategies by fostering stronger partnerships with various entities to boost public health and safety, reduce theft of trade secrets, and intensify operations against large-scale commercial counterfeiting and piracy.

Department: U.S. Department of Justice
Agency: Bureau of Justice Assistance

FY 2025 Intellectual Property Enforcement Program (IPEP): Protecting Public Health, Safety, and the Economy from Counterfeit Goods and Product Piracy

Detailed Summary

The purpose of this program is to support state, local, tribal, and territorial law enforcement and prosecutors that have an IP enforcement task force or plan to create one. This program assists these agencies in sharing information and preventing and reducing intellectual property thefts and related crimes both in their community and adjacent communities. In addition, these task forces will work with federal law enforcements agencies and their local U.S. Attorney's Office in investigating and prosecuting IP crimes and reducing violent crime associated with IP cases.

Program goals and objectives include:

- Improve the coordination of IP enforcement efforts among federal, state, local, tribal, and territorial authorities.
    - Establish and/or enhance state, local, tribal, or territorial IP enforcement task forces, including campus law enforcement.
- Share information about the targeting, investigating, analyzing, and prosecuting IP crimes between established task forces and federal agencies.
    - Review how these crimes are being committed on the state and local levels.
    - Document the cases created and prosecuted based on information shared.

Activities in support of these program goals and objectives will include:

- Conduct quarterly meetings of the task force members to update, discuss, and collaborate on IP investigations, prosecutions, training, and public awareness activities for which a detailed plan must be documented in the timeline.
- Provide all relevant partners with information about targeting, investigation, analysis, and prosecution of matters involving IP crimes as they relate to violations of state and local criminal statutes.
- Provide information to the funding agency on the number of cases initiated under this award during the given period.
- Provide an overview of IP cases and investigations highlighting successes and ones that showed promise but did not result in any arrests.

- Create educational materials or use those provided by the funding agency's IPEP technical assistance provider, to assist uninformed buyers in determining the authenticity of seemingly legitimate websites that instead deceive consumers into purchasing counterfeit goods.

Deliverables include:

- Complete and submit a summary report for each year of the award.
- Develop and provide a sustainment plan for this IP task force/project when the federal funding for this period has come to an end.

Applicant Eligibility

Eligible applicants are government entities including state, county, city or township, special district, and Native American tribal governments (federally recognized); educational organizations including public and state-controlled institutions of higher education; state, local, tribal, municipal, or campus law enforcement agencies; and prosecutors.

If the applicant was a successful IPEP awardee in FY 2024, they are not eligible to apply for IPEP funding for FY 2025. The applicant may be eligible to apply again in FY 2026.

Applications under which two or more entities (project partners) would carry out the federal award will be considered. However, only one entity may be the applicant for this solicitation; any others must be proposed as subrecipients.

Funding

In FY 2025, a total of approximately $2.4 million is expected to be available to support an anticipated 6-7 awards of up to an estimated $400,000 through this program.

The anticipated period of performance start date will occur on October 1, 2025, with an anticipated period of performance duration of approximately 24 months.

Matching and Cost Sharing

This funding opportunity does not require a match.

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FEDERAL
GRANT PROFILE



Department: U.S. Department of Justice
Agency: Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention

FY 2024 Strengthening Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Technological Investigative Capacity

Grant Overview

This program provides funding to increase the technological investigative capacity and associated training of law enforcement, prosecutors, and other professionals nationwide to combat child sexual abuse material (CSAM) and online child sexual exploitation, including cases of child sex trafficking. Eligible applicants are state, city, county, or township governments; public housing authorities and Indian housing authorities; Native American tribal governments and tribal organizations; for-profit organizations, including small businesses; nonprofit organizations; and institutions of higher education.

Program History

	Total Funding	# of Awards
2022	$562,500	1
2021	$900,000	1

Key Information and Tips

Total Funding: $3 million
Award Range: Up to $625,000
Match: Not required
Solicitation date: March 27, 2024
Proposal due: May 14, 2024 (Grants.gov),
May 28, 2024 (JustGrants)

https://ojjdp.ojp.gov/funding/opportunities/o-ojjdp-2024-172021

Awardee Profile

NW3C, INC.

Richmond, Virginia

AMOUNT: $562,500
YEAR: 2022

NW3C, in partnership with Apex Mobile, the Child Rescue Coalition (CRC), and ThinkThru, will update technology capabilities by developing ICAC Nucleus, a cross-platform tool that will enable access on a mobile application (available on both the iOS and Android) and desktop web browser for the ICAC program. It will provide the ability to access investigative systems to enhance every aspect of child sexual exploitation investigations and prosecutions available on each ICAC CJP's mobile device.

Department: U.S. Department of Justice
Agency: Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention

FY 2024 Strengthening Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Technological Investigative Capacity

Detailed Summary

The purpose of this program is to increase the technological investigative capacity and associated training of law enforcement, prosecutors, and other professionals nationwide to combat child sexual abuse material (CSAM) and online child sexual exploitation, including cases of child sex trafficking. Funding will be provided for the development, refinement, and advancement of widely used investigative tools, methods, and technologies that address child pornography, exploitation, and sex trafficking.

All supported projects must involve consultation with criminal justice agencies to gain a fuller understanding of any challenges and the operational context in which applicable tools would be employed.

Funding will be provided for the following program components:

- (Part A): Investigative Tool and Technology Development
- (Part B): Develop and Deliver Training for the Law Enforcement Community and Prosecutorial Agencies on Tools, Methods, and Technologies
- (Part C): Investigative Tool and Technology Enhancement

The purpose of the Investigative Tool and Technology Development component is to support the development of new and innovative widely used investigative tools, methods, and technologies for law enforcement, prosecutors, and other professionals that address CSAM, child sexual exploitation, and child sex trafficking nationwide. These tools will help the law enforcement community and prosecutorial agencies overcome current technology-related investigative challenges. Examples of such tools include those that:

- Efficiently and effectively parse through digital evidence
- Assist law enforcement in identifying and responding to instances of generative artificial intelligence and its impacts on online child sexual exploitation
- Expedite evidence collection and the transfer of digital files
- Facilitate decryption
- Address mobile chat encryptions
- Automate data intelligence
- Support ICAC case management, case deconfliction, and high-priority suspect identification

In addition, funds may be used to support the development of tools that assist the law enforcement community in:

- Overcoming challenges in covert operations

- Providing national reporting and information-sharing capabilities among federal, state, local, and tribal law enforcement, particularly ICAC task forces
- Supporting peer-to-peer investigations

Funds may be used for:

- Technology development and maintenance
- Staff required to operate, update, and maintain the proposed platform or service
- Training and technical assistance on the purpose and use of the technology, including outreach and publicity activities
- Staff engaged in coalition-building activities regarding the use of technology

Trainings must be provided at no charge to the participants.

The OJP strongly encourages the use of data and evidence in policy-making and program development for criminal justice, juvenile justice, and crime victim services.

If an applicant proposes a project or activity that would deliver services or benefits to individuals, the costs of taking reasonable steps to provide meaningful access to those services or benefits for individuals with limited English proficiency may be allowable.

Applicant Eligibility

Eligible applicants are state, city, county, or township governments; public housing authorities and Indian housing authorities; federally recognized Native American tribal governments and Native American tribal organizations; for-profit organizations, including small businesses; nonprofit organizations with and without 501(c)(3) status; and private, public, and state-controlled institutions of higher education.

Tribes are required to submit a tribal authorizing resolution.

Applicants may be located in any of the 50 states, the District of Columbia, American Samoa, Guam, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, and the U.S. Virgin Islands.

Funding

Approximately $3 million is anticipated to be available through this program overall, with an unspecified amount of funding available to support two awards of up to $625,000 through this component.

Award notifications are expected to be made by September 30, 2024.

The project period will last for 24 months and will begin on October 1, 2024. The funding agency may provide additional funding in future years through continuation awards. When making continuation award decisions, the funding agency will consider, among other factors, its strategic priorities, a recipient's overall management of the award, and progress of award-funded work.

Matching and Cost Sharing

Matching funds are not required for this component; however, matching funds proposed by successful applicants will become mandatory and subject to audit.

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FEDERAL
GRANT PROFILE

Agency: National Science Foundation (NSF)
Office: Division of Electrical, Communication, and Cyber Systems

FY 2024 Energy, Power, Control, and Networks (EPCN)

Grant Overview

This program encourages research on emerging technologies and applications including energy, transportation, robotics, and biomedical devices and systems. Funding will support innovative research in modeling, optimization, learning, adaptation, and control of networked multiagent systems; higher-level decision-making and dynamic resource allocation; and risk management in the presence of uncertainty, subsystem failures, and stochastic disturbances. Eligible applicants include institutions of higher education, nonprofit or non-academic organizations, tribal governments, for-profit organizations, and state and local governments may be eligible to apply.

Program History

Since 2015, the program has granted 343 awards.

Key Information and Tips

Total Funding: Unspecified
Award Range: Unspecified
Match: Not required
Proposal due: Rolling

- Organizations that have previously had a proposal declined must wait at least one year from the date of their initial submission before reapplying.

https://new.nsf.gov/funding/opportunities/energy-power-control-networks-epcn-0

Awardee Profile

Columbia University of New York City, NY

AMOUNT: $396,186
YEAR: 2023

Through the NSF grant, Columbia University of New York used machine learning to analyze a large number of storage resources in electricity markets. This research helped create computational tools that will aid in providing affordable and reliable electricity supply in sustainable power systems.

Agency: National Science Foundation (NSF)
Office: Division of Electrical, Communication, and Cyber Systems

FY 2024 Energy, Power, Control, and Networks (EPCN)

Detailed Summary

The purpose of this program is to encourage research on emerging technologies and applications, including energy, transportation, robotics, and biomedical devices and systems. Funding will support innovative research in modeling, optimization, learning, adaptation, and control of networked multiagent systems; higher-level decision-making and dynamic resource allocation; and risk management in the presence of uncertainty, subsystem failures, and stochastic disturbances. This program also invests in novel machine-learning algorithms and analysis, adaptive dynamic programming, brain-like networked architectures performing real-time learning, and neuromorphic engineering.

Areas of interest include:

- Control systems:
  - Distributed control and optimization
  - Networked multiagent systems
  - Stochastic, hybrid, non-linear systems
  - Dynamic data-enabled learning, decision, and control
  - Cyber-physical control systems
  - Applications (biomedical, transportation, or robotics)

- Energy and power systems:
  - Solar, wind, and storage devices integration with the grid
  - Monitoring, protection, and resilient operation of grid
  - Power grid cybersecurity
  - Market design, consumer behavior, and regulatory policy
  - Microgrids
  - Energy-efficient buildings and communities

- Power electronics systems:
  - Advanced power electronics and electric machines
  - Electric and hybrid electric vehicles
  - Energy harvesting, storage devices, and systems
  - Innovative grid-tied power electronic converters

- Learning and adaptive systems:
  - Neural networks
  - Neuromorphic engineering systems
  - Data analytics and intelligent systems
  - Machine learning algorithms, analysis, and applications

Applicant Eligibility

Eligible applicants include institutions of higher education, nonprofits, non-academic organizations, tribal governments, and state and local governments. In addition, for-profit organizations may be eligible to apply if the project is of special concern from a national point of view, special resources are available for the work, or the proposed project is especially meritorious.

Collaborative proposals involving principal investigators from two or more institutions are accepted. Grant Opportunities for Academic Liaison with Industry (GOALI) proposals must include at least one industrial co-principal investigator. Organizations that have previously had a proposal declined must wait at least one year from the date of their initial submission before reapplying.

Funding

In FY 2024, an unspecified amount of funding is available to support an unknown amount of awards through this program. Award recipients may request no-cost extensions of project periods for 12 months if additional time is required to complete the original project scope.

Matching and Cost Sharing

Matching funds are not required for this program. Inclusion of voluntary committed cost sharing in the budget or budget justification is prohibited; however, applicants may contribute a voluntary uncommitted cost share.

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