DMVA PROGRAM 08 – HOMELAND SECURITY GRANT PROGRAM (SHSP)

I. PROGRAM OBJECTIVES

The Homeland Security Grant includes a suite of risk-based grants to assist state, local, tribal and territorial efforts in preventing, protecting against, mitigating, responding to and recovering from acts of terrorism and other threats. This grant provides grantees with the resources required for implementation of the National Preparedness System and working toward the National Preparedness Goal of a secure and resilient nation. The Assistance Listing Number for these grants is 97.067.

II. PROGRAM PROCEDURES

Funds are awarded to the Department of Military and Veterans' Affairs, Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management (DHS&EM) upon approval of the EMPG application by the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Grant Programs Directorate (GPD). There is no cost share or match requirements for the FY 2024 HSGP. Program compliance is based on federal fiscal year guidance.

III. COMPLIANCE REQUIREMENTS AND SUGGESTED AUDIT PROCEDURES

A. Types of services allowed and unallowed -

Compliance Requirement: SHSP funds may be expended with compliance with the Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements at 2 C.F.R. Part 200, unless otherwise indicated in the NOFO, the terms and conditions of the award, or the Preparedness Grants Manual. Costs such as M&A, F&A, planning, travel, equipment, training, travel, and personnel costs may all be allowable subject to the administration requirements outlined within the NOFO.

SHSP grant funds may not be used for the purchase of equipment not approved by FEMA. Grant funds must comply with <u>FEMA Policy 207-22-0002</u>, <u>Prohibited or Controlled Equipment Under FEMA Awards</u>, and may not be used for the purchase of the following equipment: firearms; ammunition; grenade launchers; bayonets; or weaponized aircraft, vessels, or vehicles of any kind with weapons installed. Unauthorized exercise-related costs include:

Reimbursement for the maintenance or wear and tear costs of general use vehicles (e.g., construction vehicles), medical supplies, and emergency response apparatus (e.g., fire trucks, ambulances); and

Equipment that is purchased for permanent installation and/or use, beyond the scope of the conclusion of the exercise (e.g., electronic messaging sign).

B. SUGGESTED AUDIT PROCEDURES:

REVIEW STATE AND LOCAL EMPG AGREEMENTS TO DETERMINE IF THERE ARE SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS AND/OR PRODUCTS TO BE DEVELOPED; AND TEST EXPENDITURE RECORDS TO DETERMINE IF EXPENDITURES ARE ELIGIBLE.

1. Eligibility - The auditor is not expected to verify eligibility other than that required by section III (A) above.

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C. REPORTING REQUIREMENTS -

1. Compliance Requirement: The local jurisdiction must provide DHS&EM with quarterly financial billing and narrative report of SHSP activities.

Suggested Audit Procedure: Review reports for timeliness.

D. SPECIAL TESTS AND PROVISIONS -

 Compliance Requirements: The local jurisdiction must be able to show NIMS adoption and implementation through completion of the Alaska Assessment.

Suggested Audit Procedures:

Review State of Alaska state preparedness report.

Review jurisdictional Alaska assessment report.

Review federal financial report.

Review biannual strategy implementation report (BSIR).

Review the current year Notice of Funding Opportunities (NOFO) publication and State and local SHSP agreements to determine if there are special requirements and/or products to be developed; and test expenditure records to determine if expenditures are eligible.

For more information: Homeland Security Grant Program | FEMA.gov