

DMVA PROGRAM 07 – NONPROFIT SECURITY GRANT PROGRAM (NSGP)

I. PROGRAM OBJECTIVES

The objective of the NSGP-NSS is to provide funding for physical and cybersecurity enhancements and other security-related activities to nonprofit organizations that are at risk of a terrorist or other extremist attacks within the period of performance. The NSGP-NSS also seeks to integrate the preparedness activities of nonprofit organizations with broader state and local preparedness efforts. Assistance Listing Number: 97.008.

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 NSGP application by the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Grant Programs Directorate (GPD). There is no cost share requirement for the NSGP-NSS. Applicants/sub applicants that propose a cost share will not receive additional consideration in the scoring.

Sub applicants may NOT apply to FEMA directly. Sub applicants must apply for NSGP-NSS through their SAA. A list of SAA points of contact is available at [State Administrative Agency \(SAA\) Contacts | FEMA.gov](#)

III. COMPLIANCE REQUIREMENTS

All costs charged to federal awards (including both federal funding and any non-federal matching or cost sharing funds) must comply with applicable statutes, rules and regulations, and policies, and the terms and conditions of the federal award. They must also comply with the Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements at 2 C.F.R. Part 200 unless otherwise indicated in the NOFO or the terms and conditions of the federal award. This includes, among other requirements, that costs must be incurred, and products and services must be delivered within the budget period. 2 C.F.R. § 200.403(h). The following identifies a list of activities for which a recipient may not use federal funds and any cost sharing or matching funds under federal awards:

- Matching or cost sharing requirements for other federal grants and cooperative agreements (see 2 C.F.R. § 200.306).
- Lobbying or other prohibited activities under 18 U.S.C. § 1913 or 2 C.F.R. § 200.450.
- Prosecuting claims against the federal government or any other government entity (see 2 C.F.R. § 200.435). See subsections below for information on any other funding restrictions.

Each applicant, unless they have a valid exception under 2 CFR §25.110, must:

1. Be registered in SAM.gov before application submission.
2. Provide a valid UEI in its application.
3. Continue to always maintain an active SAM registration with current information during the federal award process. Note: Per 2 C.F.R. § 25.300, subrecipients are

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NOT required to go through the full SAM registration process. First-tier subrecipients (meaning entities receiving funds directly from the recipient) are only required to obtain a UEI through SAM, but they are not required to complete the full SAM registration to obtain a UEI. Recipients may not make subawards unless the subrecipient has obtained and provided the UEI.

All sub awardees receiving federal funds must ensure they are not excluded or disqualified in accordance with [§ 180.300](#). Verification methods are provided in [§ 180.300](#), which include confirming in *SAM.gov* that a potential subrecipient is not suspended, debarred, or otherwise excluded from receiving Federal funds. It is the subrecipient's responsibility to ensure they comply with these criteria. (2 C.F.R. § 200.332(a), 2024).

Allowable Costs

Allowable costs are focused on facility hardening and physical security enhancements. Funding can be used for direct and indirect costs as described by 2 C.F.R. Part 200, including 2 C.F.R. § 200.414. Allowable costs include pre-award costs, technical assistance, management and administration (M&A), facilities and administrative (F&A), planning, and equipment costs. Please refer to NOFO for complete list of all allowable costs.

Unallowable Costs

The following projects and costs are considered **ineligible** for award consideration. Please refer to NOFO for complete list of all unallowable costs:

- Organization costs, and operational overtime costs.
- Hiring of public safety personnel.
- General use expenditures.
- Overtime and backfill.
- Initiatives that do not address the implementation of programs/initiatives to build prevention and protection-focused capabilities directed at identified facilities and/or the surrounding communities.
- The development of risk/vulnerability assessment models.
- Initiatives that fund risk or vulnerability security assessments or the development of the IJ.
- Initiatives in which federal agencies are the beneficiary or that enhance federal property.
- Initiatives which study technology development.
- Proof-of-concept initiatives.
- Initiatives that duplicate capabilities being provided by the Federal Government.
- Organizational operating expenses.

IV. 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.

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A. ELIGIBILITY -

The auditor is not expected to verify eligibility other than that required by section III above.

B. REPORTING REQUIREMENTS -

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

Suggested Audit Procedure: Review reports for timeliness.

For more information: [Nonprofit Security Grant Program | FEMA.gov](#)