

Homeland Security Grant Program Overview

The Homeland Security Grant Program (HSGP) suite consists of five sub-programs, namely the State Homeland Security Program (SHSP), Urban Areas Security Initiative (UASI), Operation Stonegarden (OPSG), Metropolitan Medical Response System (MMRS), and Citizen Corps Program (CCP).

State Homeland Security Program (SHSP)

Total Funding Available in FY 2010: \$842 Million

Purpose: This core assistance program provides funds to build capabilities at the state and local levels and to implement the goals and objectives included in state homeland security strategies and initiatives in their State Preparedness Report. Consistent with the Implementing Recommendations of the 9/11 Act of 2007 (Public Law 110-53) (9/11 Act), states are required to ensure that at least 25 percent of SHSP appropriated funds are dedicated towards law enforcement terrorism prevention-oriented planning, organization, training, exercise, and equipment activities, including those activities which support the development and operation of fusion centers.

Eligible Applicants: The State Administrative Agency (SAA) is the only entity eligible to apply to FEMA for SHSP funds. Recipients include all 50 states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, American Samoa, Guam, Northern Mariana Islands and the U.S. Virgin Islands.

Awards: Funds will be allocated based on three factors: minimum amounts as legislatively mandated, DHS' risk methodology, and effectiveness.

Program Awards and Funding Minimum: Each state will receive a minimum allocation under SHSP using the thresholds established in the 9/11 Act. All 50 states, the District of Columbia, and the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico will receive 0.36 percent of the total funds allocated for grants under Sections 2003 and 2004 of the Homeland Security Act of 2002 as amended by the 9/11 Act for SHSP and UASI programs. Four territories (American Samoa, Guam, Northern Mariana Islands and the U.S. Virgin Islands) will receive a minimum allocation of 0.08 percent of the total funds allocated for grants under Sections 2003 and 2004 of the Homeland Security Act of 2002 as amended by the 9/11 Act for SHSP and UASI programs.

Urban Areas Security Initiative (UASI)

Total Funding Available in FY 2010: \$832.5 Million

Purpose: The UASI program focuses on enhancing regional preparedness in major metropolitan areas. The UASI program directly supports the National Priority on expanding regional collaboration in the National Preparedness Guidelines and is intended

to assist participating jurisdictions in developing integrated regional systems for prevention, protection, response, and recovery. Consistent with the 9/11 Act, states are required to ensure that at least 25 percent of UASI appropriated funds are dedicated towards law enforcement terrorism prevention-oriented planning, organization, training, exercise, and equipment activities, including those activities which support the development and operation of fusion centers.

Eligible Applicants: The SAA is the only entity eligible to apply to FEMA for UASI funds. Prospective recipients for the UASI program include the 64 highest risk Urban Areas.

Program Awards: The ten highest risk urban areas, designated Tier I Urban Areas, will be eligible for \$524,487,600. The remaining 54 urban areas, designated Tier II Urban Areas, will be eligible for \$308,032,400. Funds will be allocated based on DHS' risk methodology and effectiveness.

Operation Stonegarden (OPSG)

Total Funding Available in FY 2010: \$60 Million

Purpose: The intent of OPSG is to enhance cooperation and coordination among local, state and federal law enforcement agencies in a joint mission to secure the United States borders along routes of ingress from international borders to include travel corridors in states bordering Mexico and Canada, as well as states and territories with international water borders.

Eligible Applicants: Prospective recipients for OPSG include local units of government at the county level and federally-recognized tribal governments in the states bordering Canada (including Alaska), southern states bordering Mexico, and states and territories with International water borders.

Program Awards: Funds will be allocated competitively to designated localities within U.S. border states based on risk analysis and the anticipated feasibility and effectiveness of proposed investments by the applicants.

Metropolitan Medical Response System (MMRS) Program

Total Funding Available in FY 2010: \$39.36 million

Purpose: The MMRS program supports the integration of emergency management, health, and medical systems into a coordinated response to mass casualty incidents caused by any hazard. Successful MMRS grantees reduce the consequences of a mass casualty incident during the initial period of a response by having augmented existing local operational response systems before the incident occurs.

Eligible Applicants: The SAA is the only entity eligible to apply to FEMA for MMRS funds. Recipients for the MMRS program include the 124 MMRS jurisdictions.

Program Awards: FY 2010 MMRS funding will be divided evenly among the 124 MMRS jurisdictions.

Citizen Corps Program (CCP)

Total Funding Available in FY 2010: \$12.48 million

Purpose: The Citizen Corps mission is to bring community and government leaders together to coordinate community involvement in emergency preparedness, planning, mitigation, response and recovery.

Eligible Applicants: The SAA is the only entity eligible to apply to FEMA for CCP funds. Recipients for the CCP include all 50 states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, American Samoa, Guam, Northern Mariana Islands and the U.S. Virgin Islands.

Program Awards and Funding Minimum: CCP allocations are determined using the USA PATRIOT Act formula, which specifies that all 50 states, the District of Columbia, and the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico will receive a minimum of 0.75 percent of the total available grant funding, and that four territories (American Samoa, Guam, Northern Mariana Islands and the U.S. Virgin Islands) will receive a minimum of 0.25 percent of the total available grant funding. The balance of CCP funds will be distributed on a population-share basis. In addition to CCP allocations, states and urban areas are encouraged to fully leverage HSGP resources to accomplish the Citizen Corps mission.