Overview

The purpose of the Homeland Security Grant Program (HSGP) is to support state and local efforts to prevent terrorism and other catastrophic events and to prepare the Nation for the threats and hazards that pose the greatest risk to the security of the United States.

Primary Mission and Purpose

State Homeland Security Program (SHSP): Supports state, Tribal and local preparedness activities that address high-priority preparedness gaps across all core capabilities where a nexus to terrorism exists. All supported investments are based on capability targets identified during the Threat and Hazard Identification and Risk Assessment (THIRA) process, and gaps identified in the State Preparedness Report (SPR).

Requirements

I. National Incident Management System (NIMS) Implementation -

Grantees are required to implement NIMS. The NIMS uses a systematic approach to integrate the best existing processes and methods into a unified national framework for incident management across all homeland security activities including prevention, protection, response, mitigation, and recovery. Grantees must use standardized resource management concepts for resource typing, credentialing, and an inventory to facilitate the effective identification, dispatch, deployment, tracking and recovery of resources.

II. Emergency Management Plans (Intermediate Level) –

Cities and counties must have a current emergency management plan or be a legally established member of an inter-jurisdictional emergency management program with a plan on file with the Texas Department of Public Safety, Texas Division of Emergency Management (TDEM). Plans must be maintained throughout the entire grant performance period and must be at least at the Intermediate Level. If you have questions concerning your Emergency Management Plan (preparedness) level, contact your Emergency Management Coordinator (EMC) or your regional Council of Governments (COG). For questions concerning plan deficiencies, contact TDEM at tdem.plans@dps.texas.gov.

III. Criminal History Reporting –

Entities receiving funds from HSGD must be located in a county that has an average of 90% or above on both adult and juvenile dispositions entered into the computerized criminal history database maintained by the Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) as directed in the Texas Code of Criminal Procedure, Chapter 60. The disposition completeness percentage is defined as the percentage of arrest charges a county reports to DPS for which a disposition has been subsequently reported and entered into the computerized criminal history system.

IV. Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) –
Eligible applicants operating a law enforcement agency must be current on reporting Part I violent crime data to the Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) for inclusion in the annual Uniform Crime Report (UCR). To be considered eligible for funding, applicants must have submitted a full twelve months of accurate data to DPS for the most recent calendar year. Applicants must at the bare minimum operate a law enforcement agency (Police Department or Sheriff’s Office) in order to comply with the Uniform Crime Reporting eligibility requirement.

V. ATCOG Regional Repeater Testing –

In order to remain recommended for funding applicants must participate in a Regional Roll Call over the ATCOG Repeater channel utilizing the jurisdiction’s Emergency Operations Center (EOC) at least 9 out of 12 months starting in September 2016 and ending in August 2017. A jurisdiction applying for grant funds that does not have an EOC, but has an agreement with another jurisdiction to use its EOC when needed, will still be considered eligible to receive funds as long as the jurisdiction possessing the EOC meets the participation requirement. A jurisdiction that is unable to participate in the roll call regardless of the reason but coordinates with ATCOG to complete the test individually within two (2) days will still be considered eligible to receive funds. All other situations resulting in a jurisdiction being unable to participate will be considered on a case-by-case basis.

Certification -

Each applicant agency will certify to the specific criteria detailed above to be eligible for funding under the Homeland Security Grant Program (HSGP).

By signing this document, I certify to all of the above requirements and intend to apply for FY24 HSGP funds.

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Signature of Workshop Attendee   Date

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Printed Name of Workshop Attendee   Agency Representing

Please provide a description of the proposed project and the intended recipients and estimated cost:

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