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Protecting Your Organization: The Nonprofit Security Grant Program





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Agenda

- Welcome from the DHS Center for Faith and Opportunity Initiatives
- Overview of the Nonprofit Security Grant Program (NSGP)
 - NSGP Purpose and Program Award
 - Eligibility
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 - Application Review Process
 - NSGP Funding History FY 2005-2019
 - Additional Resources



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To obtain resources for faith-based and community organizations, please visit: www.fema.gov/faith-resources





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NSGP Purpose and Program Award

The NSGP provides federal funding support for security enhancements to nonprofit organizations that are at risk of a terrorist attack.

Under the Fiscal Year (FY) 2020 NSGP, \$90 million will be awarded:

- \$50 million for NSGP-Urban Area (NSGP-UA)
- \$40 million for NSGP-State (NSGP-S)

For the maximum award amount per organization, check the FY 2020 NSGP Notice of Funding Opportunity



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What is an Urban Area Security Initiative-designated urban area?

- High-threat, high-density urban areas
- Designated annually by FEMA and DHS
- NSGP Notice of Funding Opportunity will include a list of the current year Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI)-designated urban areas



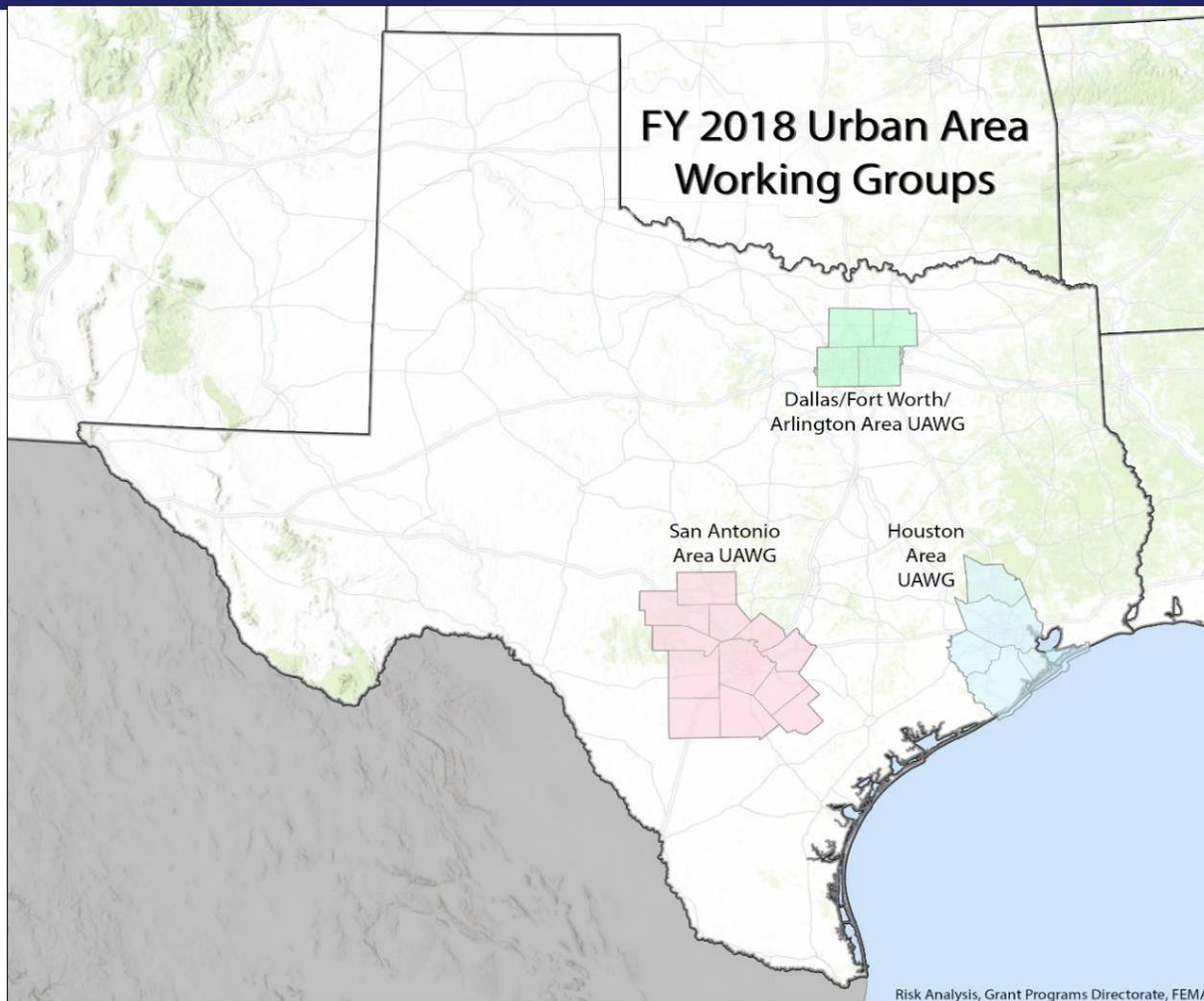
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What is the difference between NSGP-UA and NSGP-S?

**Example:
Texas**



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What is an eligible nonprofit organization?

1. An organization described under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986;
2. Located within an UASI-designated urban area - for NSGP-Urban Area (NSGP-UA); or located outside of an UASI-designated urban area – for NSGP-State (NSGP-S); and
3. Able to demonstrate, through the application, that the organization is at high risk of a terrorist attack.



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What is the NSGP Application Process?



Eligible nonprofits should contact their State Administrative Agency for application instructions, including the deadline for submission.

*SAA Contact List

<http://www.fema.gov/media-library/assets/documents/28689?id=6363>

What kinds of security related activities are allowable?

Security Related:

- Planning: Development of security plans
- Training: For security personnel and for nonprofit members, congregants, and volunteers
- Contracted security personnel
- Equipment: Authorized Equipment List (AEL), Sections 14 and 15:

<https://www.fema.gov/authorized-equipment-list>

Construction/Renovation - Must be approved by FEMA in writing prior to the use of NSGP funds for construction or renovation

What kind of equipment is allowable?

Authorized Equipment List

The Authorized Equipment List (AEL) is a list of approved equipment types allowed under FEMA's preparedness grant programs. The intended audience of this tool is emergency managers, first responders, and other homeland security professionals. The list consists of 21 equipment categories divided into categories, sub-categories and then individual equipment items. NOTE: There are no commercially available products listed; it only consists of equipment types.

[Download a printable version of the Authorized Equipment List](#) **CSV**

Search

Search by item number, item title, keyword, or grant program and then click Go. Search results display below.

Section **Category** **Sub-Category**

- Any - - Any - - Any -

Select a primary category and a sub-category and then click Go.

1. AEL Section 14: Physical Security Enhancement Equipment
2. AEL Section 15: Inspection and Screening Systems

What are some examples of security related equipment?

- Surveillance systems
- Physical access control equipment
- Impact resistant doors and gates
- Intrusion detection sensors and alarms
- Exterior lighting
- Physical perimeter security: gates, fences, jersey barriers
- Screening and inspection equipment



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What does a complete application package include?

- Mission statement;
- Vulnerability Assessment specific to the facility being applied for;
- Investment Justification or application form;
- Supporting documentation that substantiates threat, if applicable; and
- Any other SAA required information.

What makes a strong Investment Justification?

- Clearly identified risks and vulnerabilities;
- Description of findings from a previously conducted vulnerability assessment;
- Details of any incident(s) including description, dates, etc.;
- Brief description of supporting documentation such as police reports or photographs, if applicable;
- Explanation of how proposed investments will mitigate or address vulnerabilities identified from the vulnerability assessment;
- Establish a clear linkage with the investment(s) and core capabilities (see National Preparedness Goal);
- Proposed activities that are allowable costs;
- Realistic milestones that consider Environmental Planning and Historic Preservation review process, if applicable; and
- Brief description of the project manager(s) level of experience.



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How are applications reviewed?



- Two-phased State Administrative Agency (SAA) and Federal Review: using the *NSGP Investment Justification Scoring Worksheet*
- Results of which inform the final funding decisions made by the Secretary of Homeland Security



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Where can I learn more about the NSGP?

The Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) is the official document that contains all information and requirements for the current year NSGP.

The FY 2020 NSGP NOFO has not yet been released (anticipated Feb 2020)

- ✓ **Check with your SAA for updates and requirements**
- ✓ Check the FEMA website for the NOFO Release: <http://fema.gov/grants>

The screenshot shows the FEMA website's 'Grants' page. The URL in the browser is <https://www.fema.gov/grants>. The page features a navigation sidebar on the left with options for 'Navigation', 'Search', and 'Languages'. Below this is a list of 'About the Agency' links, including 'Leadership', 'Funding & Budget Info', 'Strategic Plan', 'Mission Support', 'National Advisory Council', 'Office of Disability Integration, Coordination', 'Office of Equal Rights', 'Office of External Affairs', 'Office of Policy & Program Analysis', 'Office of Response and Recovery', 'Office of National Capital Region Coordination', 'Office of the Senior Law Enforcement Advisor', 'Office of Chief Counsel', and 'Resilience'. The main content area is titled 'Grants' and contains a paragraph of text about preparedness grants. Below the text is a list of links: 'Expand All Sections', 'Preparedness Grants Manual', 'News And Announcements', 'Law Enforcement Terrorism Prevention Activities (LETPA)', 'Cybersecurity Services And Support', and '2 C.F.R. Part 200'. A red arrow points from the 'Preparedness Grants Manual' link in the sidebar to the 'Preparedness Grants Manual' link in the main content area. The page footer indicates 'Last Updated: 12/12/2019 - 14:42'.

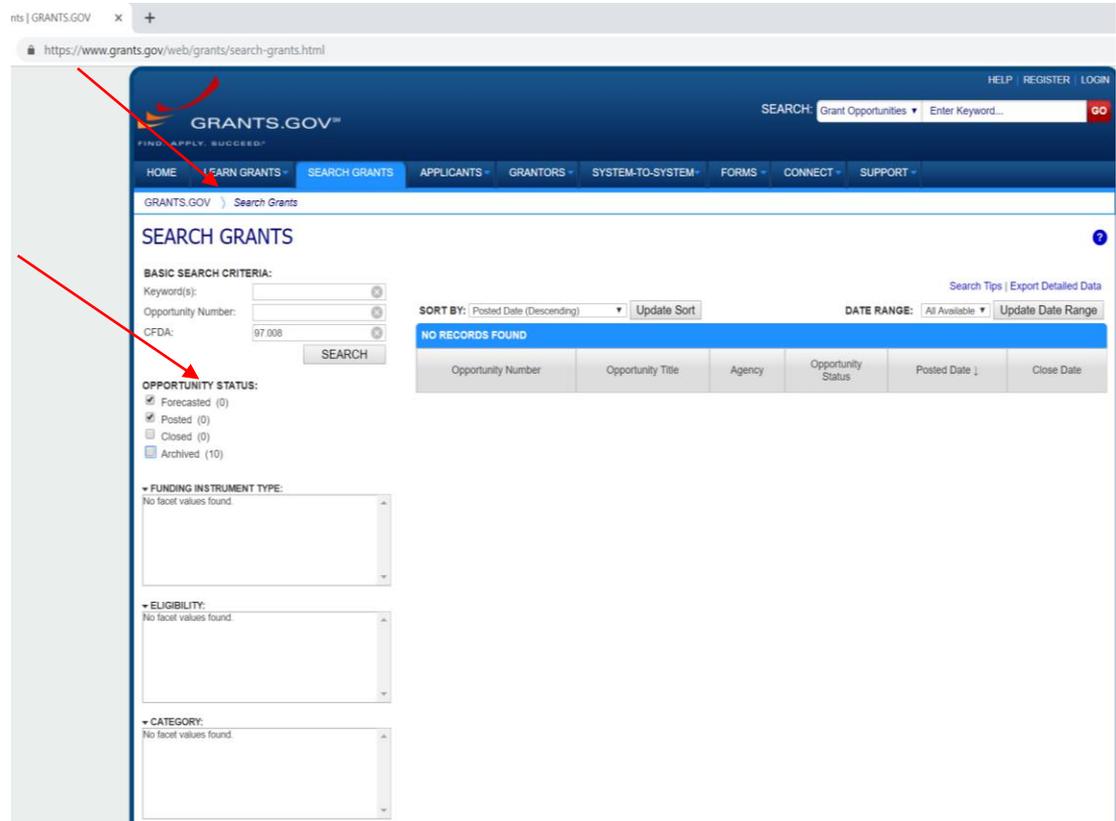
Where can I learn more about the NSGP?

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✓ Check grants.gov for the FY 2020 Notice of Funding Opportunity release and the Investment Justification

1. Search Grants Tab
2. Enter CFDA: 97.008
3. Search

DO NOT SUBMIT
YOUR NSGP APPLICATION
VIA GRANTS.GOV
(See Slide 8)



The screenshot shows the Grants.gov search interface. The browser address bar displays 'https://www.grants.gov/web/grants/search-grants.html'. The page header includes 'GRANTS.GOV' and navigation tabs: HOME, LEARN GRANTS, SEARCH GRANTS, APPLICANTS, GRANTORS, SYSTEM-TO-SYSTEM, FORMS, CONNECT, and SUPPORT. The search bar contains 'Grant Opportunities' and 'Enter Keyword...'. The search criteria section includes fields for Keyword(s), Opportunity Number, and CFDA (set to 97.008). The Opportunity Status section shows checkboxes for Forecasted (0), Posted (0), Closed (0), and Archived (10). The Funding Instrument Type, Eligibility, and Category sections all show 'No facet values found'. The results section displays 'NO RECORDS FOUND' and a table with columns: Opportunity Number, Opportunity Title, Agency, Opportunity Status, Posted Date, and Close Date. Red arrows point to the 'LEARN GRANTS' tab, the CFDA input field, and the 'SEARCH' button.

How much funding has been awarded through the NSGP?

Fiscal Year	Total Requested	Total Awarded	Number of Applications Submitted	Number of Applications Awarded
2005	Data Not Available	\$25,000,000	Data Not Available	Data Not Available
2006	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
2007	Data Not Available	\$24,007,500	612	308
2008	\$119,587,716	\$15,000,000	621	230
2009	\$40,448,813	\$15,000,000	635	227
2010	\$69,602,592	\$15,000,000	1013	268
2011	\$50,450,870	\$18,962,000	729	269
2012	\$56,505,803	\$10,000,000	824	144
2013	\$53,137,169	\$10,000,000	768	142
2014	\$47,894,708	\$13,000,000	687	186
2015	\$50,297,610	\$13,000,000	715	181
2016	\$59,367,635	\$20,000,000	850	282
2017	\$63,494,847	\$25,000,000	906	349
2018	\$136,118,033	\$60,000,000	963	526
2019	\$139,516,228	\$60,000,000	2,037	718
TOTAL	\$886,422,024	\$323,969,500	11,360	3,830



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Additional Resources

State Administrative Agency Contact List

<http://www.fema.gov/media-library/assets/documents/28689?id=6363>

FY 2019 NSGP Notice of Funding Opportunity and Supplemental Documents

https://www.fema.gov/media-library-data/1555009440678-8c53df465068047205697ceb04ce2be2/FY_2019_NSGP_NOFO_FINAL_508.pdf

Application Materials/Investment Justification

<https://www.grants.gov/>

Preparedness Grants Manual

<https://www.fema.gov/media-library/assets/documents/178291>

Authorized Equipment List (Section 14&15)

<https://www.fema.gov/authorized-equipment-list>

Environmental Planning and Historic Preservation Information

<http://www.fema.gov/media-library/assets/documents/90195>

[DHS Instruction Manual 023-01-001-01, Revision 01, FEMA Directive 108-1 and FEMA Instruction 108-1-1](#)

Vulnerability Assessment Information - Hometown Security

<https://www.dhs.gov/hometown-security>

Email for additional information and vulnerability assessment information requests NICC@hq.dhs.gov

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