

Fiscal Year (FY) 2012 Urban Areas Security Initiative (UASI) Nonprofit Security Grant Program (NSGP) Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

1. What is the purpose of the FY 2012 NSGP?

The purpose of the FY 2012 NSGP is to provide funding support for target hardening and other physical security enhancements and activities to nonprofit organizations that are at high risk of terrorist attack and located within one of the specific UASI-eligible Urban Areas. The FY 2012 NSGP plays an important role in the implementation of Presidential Policy Directive 8 (PPD-8) by supporting the development and sustainment of core capabilities to fulfill the *National Preparedness Goal* (NPG). This competitive program seeks to integrate nonprofit preparedness activities with broader state and local preparedness efforts. It is also designed to promote coordination and collaboration in emergency preparedness activities among public and private community representatives, as well as state and local government agencies.

2. How much funding is available under the FY 2012 NSGP?

The total amount of funds distributed under the FY 2012 NSGP will be \$10,000,000.

3. Who is eligible to apply for FY 2012 NSGP funds?

The State Administrative Agency (SAA) is the only entity eligible to apply for FY 2012 NSGP funds on behalf of eligible nonprofit organizations (as described under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986) that are at high risk of terrorist attack **and** located within one of the designated FY 2012 UASI-eligible Urban Areas. Eligible nonprofit organizations must provide their applications to their respective SAA in order to be considered for FY 2012 NSGP funding.

4. How will the FY 2012 NSGP funds be allocated?

The allocation methodology for the FY 2012 NSGP is based on risk analysis, effectiveness, and integration with broader state and local preparedness efforts. Each nonprofit organization is able to apply through their SAA for up to a \$75,000 grant award.

5. What are the key changes for FY 2012 NSGP?

• In order to ensure standardization across all grant programs and cooperative agreements issued by DHS, NSGP's Guidance was reformatted for consistency and renamed to Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA)

- Priorities for NSGP support the implementation of PPD-8 and the NPG. FY 2012 NSGP has been aligned to the five mission areas and supporting core capabilities within the NPG
- Reduces the period of performance from 36 months to 24 months
- Removes the Semi-Annual Assistance Progress Report (SAPR) reporting requirement in lieu of the Standard Form-Performance Progress Report (SF-PPR) to report on progress towards implementing program-specific performance measures
- Expands the scope of maintenance and sustainment by allowing the support of equipment that has previously been purchased with both federal and other sources of funding as long as direct linkage can be provided to one of the core capabilities within the NPG
- Removes optional 25 percent (25%) cost match as part of the Investment Justification which was previously allowed under FY 2011 NSGP
- Highest weighted applicants are now defined as having "the highest risk of terrorism-related activity due to their ideology, beliefs and mission" instead of those having a religious affiliation
- Removed the establishment of local Citizen Corps Council membership as an eligibility requirement
- Required NSGP recipients be located in Emergency Management Assistance Compact (EMAC) membership states in support of the NPG

6. What legislation authorizes funding for the FY 2012 NSGP?

The Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2012, Division D (Public Law 112-74), provides funding for this program.

7. Where is the FY 2012 NSGP FOA located?

The FY 2012 NSGP FOA is located online at http://www.fema.gov/grants as well as on www.grants.gov.

8. What other resources are available to address programmatic, technical, and financial questions?

- For additional program-specific information, please contact the Centralized Scheduling and Information Desk (CSID) help line at (800) 368-6498 or askcsid@dhs.gov. CSID hours of operation are from 9:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. EST, Monday through Friday.
- For financial-related questions, including pre-and post-award administration and technical assistance, applicants may contact the FEMA Call Center at (866) 927-5646 or via e-mail to ASK-GMD@dhs.gov.

9. What is the FY 2012 NSGP period of performance?

The period of performance is 24 months.