

# Fiscal Year (FY) 2010 Tribal Homeland Security Grant Program (THSGP) Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

#### 1. What is the purpose of the FY 2010 THSGP?

The purpose of the FY 2010 THSGP is to provide funding directly to eligible tribes to strengthen their capacity to prepare for and respond to potential terrorist attacks and other hazards.

# 2. How much funding was available under the FY 2010 THSGP?

The total amount of funds distributed under the FY 2010 THSGP is \$10,000,000.

### 3. Who was eligible to apply for FY 2010 THSGP funds?

In order to be eligible to receive FY 2010 THSGP funding grantees must be considered "directly eligible tribes."

Per the *Implementing Recommendations of 9/11 Commission Act of 2007* (hereafter "9/11 Act"), a "directly eligible tribe" is defined as —

#### (A) any Indian tribe —

- (i) that is located in the continental United States;
- (ii) that operates a law enforcement or emergency response agency with the capacity to respond to calls for law enforcement or emergency services;

(iii)

- (I) that is located on or near an international border or a coastline bordering an ocean (including the Gulf of Mexico) or international waters;
- (II) that is located within 10 miles of a system or asset included on the prioritized critical infrastructure list established under section 210E(a)(2) or has such a system or asset within its territory;
- (III) that is located within or contiguous to 1 of the 50 most populous metropolitan statistical areas in the United States; or
- (IV) the jurisdiction of which includes not less than 1,000 square miles of Indian country, as that term is defined in section 1151 of title 18, United States Code; and
- (iv) that certifies to the Secretary that a State has not provided funds under section 2003 or 2004 to the Indian tribe or consortium of Indian tribes for the purpose for which direct funding is sought; and
- (B) a consortium of Indian tribes, if each tribe satisfies the requirements of subparagraph (A).

In summary, eligible tribes must meet the requirements set forth in (A) (i), and (A) (ii), and (A) (iv). Tribes must also meet <u>one</u> of the requirements set forth in (A) (iii); either (A) (iii) (I), or (A) (iii) (II), or (A) (iii) (IV). Finally, (B) may also be satisfied, if each tribe satisfies the requirements of subparagraph (A).

#### 4. How were FY 2010 THSGP allocations determined?

The allocation methodology for THSGP was based on two factors: tribal eligibility per the 9/11 Actand the effectiveness of the applicant's THSGP Investments within each Investment Justification, as determined through a peer review process. The peer review process assessed the completeness, adherence to programmatic guidelines and the anticipated effectiveness of the proposedinvestments within each Investment Justification.

## 5. What legislation authorized funding for the FY 2010 THSGP Tribal?

The *Department of Homeland Security Appropriations Act*, 2010 (Public Law 110-83) provided funding for this program. Funds are equal to at least 0.1 percent of the total funds appropriated for grants under sections 2003 (Urban Areas Security Initiative) and 2004 (State Homeland Security Program), as directed by the 9/11 Act.

#### 6. Where is the FY 2010 THSGP Guidance and Application Kit located?

The FY 2010 THSGP Guidance and Application Kit is located online at <a href="http://www.fema.gov/grants">http://www.fema.gov/grants</a> as well as on <a href="http://www.grants.gov">www.grants.gov</a>.

# 7. 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 <a href="mailto:askcsid@dhs.gov">askcsid@dhs.gov</a>. CSID hours of operation are from 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. EDT, Monday through Friday.
- For financial-related questions, including pre-and post-award administration and technical assistance, please contact the FEMA Call Center at (866) 927-5646 or via e-mail at ASK-GMD@dhs.gov.

#### 8. What is the period of performance for the FY 2010 THSGP?

The period of performance of this grant program is 36 months.