



## **Fiscal Year (FY) 2011 Intercity Bus Security Grant Program (IBSGP) Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)**

### **1. What is the purpose of the FY 2011 IBSGP?**

The purpose of the FY 2011 IBSGP is to provide funding to create a sustainable program for the protection of intercity bus systems and the traveling public from terrorism. The program seeks to assist operators of fixed route intercity and charter bus services in obtaining the resources required to support security measures such as enhanced planning, facility security upgrades and vehicle and driver protection.

### **2. How much funding was available under the FY 2011 IBSGP?**

The total amount of funds distributed under the FY 2011 IBSGP was \$4,990,000.

### **3. Who was eligible to apply for FY 2011 IBSGP funds?**

Eligible applicants under the FY 2011 IBSGP were operators of fixed route intercity and charter buses that serve Urban Areas Security Initiative (UASI) jurisdictions. Charter companies must make a minimum of 50 trips annually to one or more UASI jurisdictions to be eligible. The Tier I/Tier II designations used in prior years were not used for FY 2011 applicants; all operators that met the basic eligibility criteria were able to apply.

### **4. How were the FY 2011 IBSGP funds determined?**

Bus companies competed for funds irrespective of their size and without the use of a tier system. Recipients were selected through a competitive process based on the ratings of the National Review Panel.

### **5. What legislation authorized funding for the FY 2011 IBSGP?**

*The Department of Defense and Full-Year Continuing Appropriations Act, 2011* (Public Law 112-10) provided funding for this program.

### **6. Where is the FY 2011 IBSGP Guidance and Application Kit located?**

The FY 2011 IBSGP Guidance and Application Kit is located online at <http://www.fema.gov/grants> as well as on [www.grants.gov](http://www.grants.gov).

**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 [askcsid@dhs.gov](mailto: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 Grant Programs Directorate Call Center at (866) 927-5646 or via e-mail to [ASK-GMD@dhs.gov](mailto:ASK-GMD@dhs.gov).

**8. What is the FY 2011 IBSGP period of performance?**

The period of performance of this grant is 36 months.