



# Homeland Security

## FY 2014 Homeland Security National Training Program (HSNTP) National Domestic Preparedness Consortium (NDPC) Program

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### Overview

As appropriated by the *Department of Homeland Security Appropriations Act, 2014* (Public Law 113-76); and authorized by the Implementing Recommendations of the 9/11 Commission Act of 2007 (Public Law 110-53) (hereafter "9/11 Act") and the *Homeland Security Act of 2002* (6 U.S.C. § 101 et seq.); the Fiscal Year (FY) 2014 Homeland Security National Training Program National Domestic Preparedness Consortium (NDPC) program provides funding via cooperative agreements and an interagency agreement to training partners to prevent, protect against, mitigate, respond to, and recover from potential terrorist attacks and other hazards.

*In Fiscal Year 2013, DHS awarded \$67,929,077 to the NDPC to enhance the ability of whole communities and responders to prevent, protect against, mitigate, respond to, and recover from potential terrorist acts and other hazards*

The NDPC is a professional alliance sponsored through the Department of Homeland Security/FEMA National Preparedness Directorate. It is a partnership of several nationally recognized organizations. The consortium is made up of seven members, including the New Mexico Institute of Mining and Technology, Energetic Materials and Research Testing Center (New Mexico Tech); Louisiana State University's National Center for Biomedical Research and Training (NCBRT); Texas A&M University's National Emergency Response and Rescue Training Center, Texas Engineering Extension Service (TEEX); the Transportation Technology Center, Inc. (TTCI), National Center for Emergency Response in Surface Transportation (NCERST); the National Disaster Preparedness Training Center (NDPTC) at the University of Hawaii; the Counter Terrorism Operations Support – Center for Radiological/Nuclear Training at the Nevada National Security Site (NNSS); and the Center for Domestic Preparedness (CDP). The CDP is a FEMA training facility and is funded through a separate appropriation.

The NDPC develops and delivers course curriculum which addresses the urgent need for counter-terrorism preparedness, all hazards preparedness and response including chemical, biological, radiological, nuclear, and high yield explosive (CBRNE) / Weapons of Mass Destruction (WMD) hazards, emergency management, law enforcement, healthcare, and other vital training components for state, local, tribal, territorial emergency responders.

NDPC Website: <http://www.ndpc.us>

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## Funding

In FY 2014, the total amount of HSNTF funds programmed for distribution under the NDPC program is \$76,000,000. This total does not include \$22,000,000 to be awarded to the Counter Terrorism Operations Support, via an Interagency Agreement with the Department of Energy.

Below is the distribution among NDPC members for FY 2014 HSNTF funding:

| NDPC Members Funded Through This Grant                                                                                     | FY 2014 Allocation  |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------|
| New Mexico Institute of Mining and Technology (New Mexico Tech)                                                            | \$22,000,000        |
| Louisiana State University's Academy of Counter-Terrorist Education (National Center for Biomedical Research and Training) | \$22,000,000        |
| Texas A&M University National Emergency Response and Rescue Training Center (TEEX)                                         | \$22,000,000        |
| Transportation Technology Center, Inc. (TTCI), National Center for Emergency Response in Surface Transportation (NCERST)   | \$5,000,000         |
| National Disaster Preparedness Training Center at the University of Hawaii (NDPTC)                                         | \$5,000,000         |
| <b>Total</b>                                                                                                               | <b>\$76,000,000</b> |

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## Eligibility

The NDPC is a closed solicitation, available only to eligible organizations identified in the *Eligible Applicants* Section of the Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA). Receipt of funds under the FY 2014 NDPC is contingent upon submission and approval of the online application.

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## Funding Guidelines

DHS grant funds may only be used for the purpose set forth in the grant and must be consistent with the statutory authority for the award. Grant funds may not be used for matching funds for other Federal grants/cooperative agreements, lobbying, or intervention in Federal regulatory or adjudicatory proceedings. In addition, Federal funds may not be used to sue the Federal government or any other government entity.

Federal employees are prohibited from serving in any capacity (paid or unpaid) on any proposal submitted under this program. Federal employees may not receive funds under this award

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## Application Process and Evaluation Criteria

Proposals must clearly demonstrate the applicant's ability to design, develop and deliver a training program of national scope which provides tailored, specialized training to emergency responders

and/or citizens. The NDPC funds must enhance the nation's capability to prevent, protect against, mitigate, respond to, or recover from risks posed by incidents of national significance, including acts of terrorism and/or catastrophic events in accordance with program guidelines, and guidance from DHS/FEMA. At a minimum, the application must include the following:

- Goals, objectives, and outcomes of the proposal and the activities to be conducted to accomplish the goals, objectives, and outcomes of the proposal.
- Complete description of the program management structure addressing how the program will be structured, organized, and managed within the recipient's organization. The applicant must provide an organizational chart and describe how the organization will support the program.
- A high-level detailed program schedule to reflect the program life cycle and show phases, deliverables, and outcomes.
- The ability to build sustainable preparedness at the state, local, tribal and territorial levels; a capacity-building component for state, local, and tribal jurisdictions to employ themselves (e.g., job aids, planning tools, performance support tools, etc.).
- A process for identifying lessons learned and best practices for inclusion in ongoing FEMA and Department of Homeland Security efforts.
- An adherence to the precepts of Instructional Systems Design (ISD) and the application of adult learning principles, including problem-based learning, incorporation of a blended learning approach congruence with the National Preparedness Guidelines, National Incident Management System (NIMS), National Response Framework (NRF), and National Infrastructure Protection Plan (NIPP).

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## **HSGP Resources**

There are a variety of resources available to address programmatic, technical, and financial questions which can assist with HSGP.

- The FY 2014 NDPC FOA is located online at: <http://www.fema.gov/grants> as well as on <http://www.grants.gov>. CFDA 97.005
- 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).