



Homeland Security

FY 2013 Transit Security Grant Program (TSGP)

Overview

As appropriated by the *Department of Homeland Security (DHS) Appropriations Act, 2013* (Public Law 113-6) and authorized by Section 1406 of the *Implementing Recommendations of the 9/11 Commission Act of 2007*, Public Law 110-53 (6 U.S.C. 1135); the Fiscal Year (FY) 2013 Transit Security Grant Program (TSGP) is one of the Department's FY 2013 grant programs that directly support transportation infrastructure security activities. FY 2013 TSGP provides funds to owners and operators of transit systems (which include intra-city bus, commuter bus, ferries, and all forms of passenger rail) to protect critical surface transportation infrastructure and the traveling public from acts of terrorism and to increase the resilience of transit infrastructure.

In Fiscal Year 2013, DHS will award \$83,716,813 to promote sustainable, risk-based efforts to protect critical transportation infrastructure and the traveling public from acts of terrorism.

FY 2013 TSGP is one tool in the comprehensive set of measures authorized by Congress and implemented by the Administration to strengthen the Nation's critical infrastructure against risks associated with potential terrorist attacks. The TSGP plays an important role in the implementation of the National Preparedness System (NPS) by supporting the building, sustainment, and delivery of core capabilities essential to achieving the National Preparedness Goal (NPG) of a secure and resilient Nation. Delivering core capabilities requires the combined effort of the whole community, rather than the exclusive effort of any single organization or level of government. The FY 2013 TSGP's allowable costs support efforts to build and sustain core capabilities across the prevention, protection, mitigation, response, and recovery mission areas.

Funding

In FY 2013, the total amount of funds distributed under this grant program will be \$83,716,813. FY 2013 TSGP funds will be awarded to support the creation of sustainable, risk-based efforts to protect critical surface transportation infrastructure and the traveling public from acts of terrorism, major disasters, and other emergencies.

Eligibility

Eligible transit agencies are determined based on daily unlinked passenger trips (ridership) and transit systems that serve historically eligible Urban Areas Security Initiative (UASI) jurisdictions.

Certain ferry systems are eligible to participate in the FY 2013 TSGP and receive funds. However, any ferry system electing to participate and receive funds under the FY 2013 TSGP cannot

participate in the FY 2013 Port Security Grant Program (PSGP), and will not be considered for funding under the FY 2013 PSGP. Likewise, any ferry system that participates in the PSGP cannot be considered for funding under the TSGP.

Funding Guidelines

The FY 2013 TSGP will focus on operational activities, operational packages (OPacks), and Top Transit Asset List (TTAL) remediation. Grantees may use up to five percent (5%) for Management and Administration (M&A) purposes.

The period of performance for the TSGP Program is 24 months from the date of award.

Application Process and Evaluation Criteria

TSGP applications will be reviewed by representatives from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), Transportation Security Administration (TSA), and Federal Transit Administration (FTA). Panelists review applications and, where possible, determine scores and document all comments by completing Rating/Score Sheets prior to convening the panel session. During panel sessions, panelists discuss projects and agree on individual final scores, comments, and recommended funding levels. The panel develops a final list of recommended funding, which is provided to the Executive Committee and then to the Secretary of Homeland Security for final approval.