FY 2024 Transit Security Grant Program Fact Sheet

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In Fiscal Year (FY) 2024, the U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS) is providing \$83.7 million to eligible public transit systems to promote sustainable, risk-based efforts to protect critical transportation infrastructure and the traveling public from acts of terrorism.

Overview

The FY 2024 Transit Security Grant Program (TSGP) is one of four grant programs that constitute the DHS/Federal Emergency Management Agency's (FEMA) focus on transportation infrastructure security activities. These grant programs are part of a comprehensive set of measures authorized by Congress and implemented by DHS to help strengthen the nation's critical infrastructure against risks associated with potential terrorist attacks. The TSGP provides funds to public transit agencies to protect critical surface transportation infrastructure and the traveling public from acts of terrorism.

Funding

In FY 2024, the total amount of funds available under this grant program is \$83.7 million for eligible public transit agencies. 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. Eligible activities are outlined in the FY 2024 TSGP Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) and FY 2024 Preparedness Grants Manual.

Eligibility



Eligible transit agencies are determined based on daily unlinked passenger trips (ridership) and transit systems that serve historically eligible Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI)-designated urban areas. Certain ferry systems are eligible to participate in the FY 2024 TSGP. Ferry systems that elect to participate under the FY 2024 TSGP are not considered for funding under the FY 2024 Port Security Grant Program (PSGP). Likewise, any ferry system that elects to participate in the FY 2024 PSGP is not considered for funding under the FY 2024 TSGP. A complete list of eligible transit agencies is located in the FY 2024 TSGP NOFO.

Funding Guidelines

TSGP recipients will be selected for funding through a competitive review process as outlined in the FY 2024 TSGP NOFO. Applicants will receive a 20% increase to their scores for addressing one or more of the following National Priority Areas in their Investment Justifications:

- 1. Enhancing cybersecurity; and
- 2. Enhancing the protection of soft targets and crowded places.

Application Process

Applying for an award under the TSGP is a multi-step process. Applicants are encouraged to register early in the System for Award Management (SAM.gov) and the FEMA Grants Outcomes (FEMA GO) system, as the registration process can take four weeks or more to complete. Registration should be done in sufficient time to ensure it does not impact your ability to meet required submission deadlines. Please refer to Section D in the FY 2024 TSGP NOFO for detailed information and instructions.

All application materials will be posted on <u>Grants.gov</u>. Eligible applicants should submit their application through FEMA GO. Applicants needing technical support with the FEMA GO System should contact <u>FEMAGO@fema.dhs.gov</u> or (877) 585-3242, Monday-Friday from 9 a.m. - 6 p.m. Eastern Time (ET).

Completed applications must be submitted in the FEMA GO system no later than 5 p.m. ET on June 24, 2024.



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Awardees of FY 2024 TSGP funds will be required to complete a Public Transportation Risk Assessment Methodology during the period of performance of award. The assessment may have taken place prior to the application period but must have occurred within the last three years or during the period of performance.

TSGP Resources

To address programmatic, technical, and financial questions, a variety of resources are available, including:

- The FY 2024 TSGP NOFO is located online at www.fema.gov/grants.
- The FY 2024 <u>Preparedness Grants Manual</u> is located online at www.fema.gov/grants.
- For additional program-specific information, please contact FEMA Grants News at (800) 368-6498 or fema-grants-news@fema.dhs.gov. FEMA Grants News hours of operation are from 9 a.m. 5 p.m. ET, Monday through Friday.
- For support regarding financial grants management and budgetary technical assistance, applicants may contact the FEMA Award Administration Help Desk via e-mail to ASK-GMD@fema.dhs.gov.

