

DHS Awards \$110 Million to Help Protect Houses of Worship and Nonprofit Organizations

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Funding to be Distributed to Faith-based Institutions to Harden Their Defenses Against Terrorist Attacks.

WASHINGTON -- Today, the Department of Homeland Security announced it is awarding \$110 million to more than 600 faith-based organizations and other nonprofits across the United States. In the face of violent criminals and radical organizations intent on hurting American communities, the Trump-Vance Administration is helping houses of worship, schools and community centers to harden their defenses against attacks and protect themselves. This money, administered through FEMA's [Nonprofit Security Grant Program](#), may be used on security enhancements, like security cameras, additional warning and alert systems, gates and lighting, access control systems and training programs for staff. This round of awards will be provided to a diverse array of organizations, including Christian, Muslim, Hindu, Buddhist, Sikh and Jewish affiliated institutions.

“Whether they pray in a church, a mosque or a synagogue, all Americans should be able to practice their religion without fear of terrorism and violence,” said a **Senior Department of Homeland Security official**. “Under President Trump and Secretary Noem’s leadership, DHS is laser-focused on ensuring the safety of the American people. Instead of using grant money to fund climate change initiatives and political pet projects, we are using this money to protect American communities—especially places where people gather in prayer.”

These award allocations are the final round of the \$210 million appropriated by Congress in the National Security Supplemental. In June 2025, DHS announced the first round of funding: \$100 million allocated to more than 500 Jewish faith-based organizations across the United States. This initial announcement came after the terror attack in Boulder, Colorado, and the murder of two Israeli Embassy



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staffers. All faith-based institutions were eligible to apply for grant funding to help defend themselves from threats.

Over the past few months, DHS and FEMA have conducted a critical evaluation of all grant programs and recipients to root out waste, fraud and abuse and deliver accountability for the American taxpayer. Unlike the previous administration, recipients of grants will no longer be permitted to use federal funds to house illegal immigrants at luxury hotels, fund climate change pet projects or empower radical organizations with unseemly ties that don't serve the interest of the American people.

