

Fiscal Year 2019 Presidential Residence Protection Assistance Grant

Overview

The Fiscal Year (FY) 2019 Presidential Residence Protection Assistance (PRPA) Grant provides Federal funds to reimburse state and local law enforcement agencies for law enforcement personnel costs incurred while protecting any non-governmental residence of the President that is designated or identified to be secured by the United States Secret Service (USSS) in accordance with Section 531 of the *Department of Homeland Security Appropriations Act*, 2019 (Pub. L. No. 116-6), which states in part:

In Fiscal Year 2019, FEMA is providing \$41,000,000 to reimburse state and local law enforcement agencies for extraordinary costs associated with protecting the President's residences.

(a) For an additional amount for "Federal Emergency Management Agency—Federal Assistance", \$41,000,000, to remain available until September 30, 2020, exclusively for providing reimbursement of extraordinary law enforcement personnel costs for protection activities directly and demonstrably associated with any residence of the President that is designated or identified to be secured by the United States Secret Service.

Among the five basic homeland security missions noted in the Department of Homeland Security Quadrennial Homeland Security Review, the PRPA Grant supports the goal of Preventing Terrorism and Enhancing Security.

Funding

In FY 2019, the PRPA Grant provides \$41,000,000 to reimburse state and local law enforcement agencies for extraordinary costs associated with protecting the President's non-governmental residences.

The FY 2019 PRPA Grant Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) is available online at www.grants.gov.

Eligibility

Eligible applicants are limited to state and local law enforcement agencies, either directly or through the State Administrative Agency (SAA), that conduct protection activities associated with any non-governmental residence of the President of the United States designated or identified to be secured by the United States Secret Service (USSS). For FY 2019, the states with qualifying residences are Florida, New Jersey, and New York.

The SAA may apply on behalf of one or more eligible state or local law enforcement agencies. If the SAA submits an application on behalf of any law enforcement agency, those law enforcement agencies covered under the SAA's application cannot also apply directly to FEMA for funding under the NOFO. Multiple applications may result in a delay in reimbursement and/or an application to be denied funding. Coordination between the SAA and any eligible state or local law enforcement agency is therefore encouraged.

Funding Guidelines

Application

Only one application (submitted initially via Grants.gov and subsequently via ND Grants), due no later than November 15, 2019, at 5:00 PM ET, is required for each applicant.

Reimbursement Requests

Applicants should submit all reimbursement requests with their application in ND Grants no later than November 15, 2019, at 5:00 p.m. ET.

Operational overtime and backfill overtime activities are the <u>only</u> costs eligible for reimbursement under this grant, and must be incurred between October 1, 2018 and September 30, 2019.

Costs incurred as a result of normal agency activities (e.g., salaries incurred during normal patrol hours for security operations, also known as "straight time") are not allowable for reimbursement. Additionally, funding may not be used for hiring new or additional personnel or for purchasing equipment.

Awards will be made on a rolling basis. FEMA anticipates that all awards will be made no later than December 31, 2019.

See the FY 2019 PRPA Grant NOFO for additional funding guidelines.

Application Process and Evaluation Criteria

Application Process

One Initial Application (via <u>Grants.gov</u>) and one Final Application (via <u>ND Grants</u>, due no later than November 15, 2019 at 5:00 p.m. ET) are required for each applicant covering the full Period of Performance.

The SAA may apply on behalf of one or more eligible state or local law enforcement agencies. If the SAA submits an application on behalf of any law enforcement agency, those law enforcement agencies covered under the SAA's application cannot also apply directly to FEMA for funding under this NOFO.

Documentation

Documentation supporting reimbursement requests must be submitted as an attachment in ND Grants. All four categories of documentation (Investment Narrative, Detailed Budget Spreadsheet,

Disclosure of Pending Applications, and Certification) are required in order to receive reimbursement. Information in these documents will be used to evaluate allowable costs.

Evaluation Criteria

FEMA will review each application and make a determination as to the level of reimbursement, if any, after considering the information provided in response to the requirements set forth in the FY 2019 PRPA Grant NOFO, and contingent upon available funding relative to reimbursement requests submitted by all applicants.

Applicants that have identified other sources of reimbursement (e.g. U.S. Department of Justice financial assistance, direct appropriation, etc.) for costs incurred protecting the President's designated residences may not be reimbursed or may not be reimbursed at the same level as other applicants.

The following criteria will be used to determine whether claimed costs are allowable for reimbursement:

Table 1: Application Evaluation Criteria

Application Evaluation Criteria

Were the costs incurred between October 1, 2018 and September 30, 2019?

Were the costs incurred by law enforcement personnel?

Were the costs incurred for operational or backfill overtime?

Were the costs incurred extraordinary – meaning costs over and above normally planned/budgeted expenditures of the law enforcement agency, which cumulatively present a financial burden on the law enforcement agency?

Were the costs incurred directly attributable to the protection and security of a non-governmental residence of the President designated or identified by the USSS?

Were the costs incurred as the result of an official request by the Director of the USSS pursuant to section 3 or section 4 of the *Presidential Protection Assistance Act of 1976* (Pub. L. No. 94-524)?

Does the applicant have any pending applications or open awards for Federally-funded grants or cooperative agreements that (1) include requests for funding to support the same Investment Narrative being proposed in the application under this NOFO, and (2) would cover any identical cost items outlined in the budget submitted to FEMA as part of the application under this NOFO?

Has the applicant been approved for overtime requests for the purposes outlined in this NOFO through any open FEMA Grant Award?

Allocation Priorities

Priority 1: Priority for allocation of funding will be to law enforcement agencies that incurred extraordinary law enforcement operational overtime costs while the President, First Lady, or their minor child were at the designated residence.

Priority 2: Additional funding may be allocated for operational overtime costs associated with transportation of the President, First Lady, or their minor child to and from the designated residence within the state.

Priority 3: Remaining funding may be provided on a pro-rata basis for reimbursement of extraordinary law enforcement operational overtime costs incurred by law enforcement agencies for maintaining the security of the designated residences in the absence of the President, First Lady, or their minor child.

PRPA Grant Resources

There are a variety of resources available to address programmatic, technical, and financial questions:

FEMA Headquarters Office

Federal Emergency Management Agency Grant Programs Directorate 400 C Street SW Washington, D.C. 20472

Applicants and recipients should contact their FEMA Headquarters (HQ) Program Analyst with any questions or concerns. Applicants or recipients that may be unsure of whom their respective FEMA HQ Program Analyst is should contact the Centralized Scheduling and Information Desk below.

Centralized Scheduling and Information Desk (CSID)

CSID is a non-emergency comprehensive management and information resource developed by FEMA for grant stakeholders. CSID provides general information on FEMA grant programs and maintains a comprehensive database containing key personnel contact information at the Federal, state, tribal, and local levels. When necessary, recipients will be directed to a Federal point of contact who can answer specific programmatic questions or concerns. CSID can be reached by phone at (800) 368-6498 or by e-mail at askcsid@fema.dhs.gov, Monday through Friday, 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. ET.

GPD Grant Operations Division

GPD's Grant Operations Division provides support regarding financial matters and budgetary technical assistance. Additional guidance and information can be obtained by contacting the FEMA Call Center at (866) 927-5646, Monday through Friday, 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. ET, or via e-mail to <u>ASK-GMD@fema.dhs.gov</u>.