Increase in Total Available Funds
The Fiscal Year (FY) 2020 Tribal Homeland Security Grant Program (THSGP) was allocated a total of $15 million, which is a $5 million increase over the $10 million allocated in FY 2019.

Expanded Number of Eligible Tribes Based on Proximity to an International Border or Coastline
To be eligible to receive THSGP funding, recipients must be “directly eligible tribes” that meet defined criteria in the THSGP NOFO as set forth in the Homeland Security Act of 2002, as amended. Among these eligibility criteria, a tribe can qualify as a directly eligible tribe if it is located on or near an international border or a coastline bordering an ocean or international waters. For FY 2020, tribes located within 100 miles of an international border or a coastline bordering an ocean or international waters satisfy this criterion. Previously, the limit was 50 miles.

Bonus for Addressing National Priorities
Applicants who sufficiently address one or more of the National Priorities outlined below will receive a 20 percent score increase to their investment score (refer to Section E of the FY 2020 THSGP NOFO for additional details). These National Priorities are:

- Enhancing cybersecurity;
- Enhancing the protection of soft targets/crowded places;
- Addressing emerging threats (e.g., transnational criminal organizations, weapons of mass destruction [WMDs], unmanned aerial systems [UASs], etc.).