



Homeland Security

Fiscal Year 2020 Transit Security Grant Program

Overview

The Fiscal Year (FY) 2020 Transit Security Grant Program (TSGP) is one of four grant programs that constitute the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) DHS/Federal Emergency Management Agency's (FEMA's) focus on transportation infrastructure security activities. These grant programs are part of a comprehensive set of measures authorized by Congress and implemented by the DHS to help strengthen the nation's critical infrastructure against risks associated with potential terrorist attacks. TSGP provides funds to transit agencies to protect critical surface transportation infrastructure and the traveling public from acts of terrorism.

In Fiscal Year 2020, DHS is providing \$88 million to promote sustainable, risk-based efforts to protect critical transportation infrastructure and the traveling public from acts of terrorism.

Funding

In FY 2020, the total amount of funds available under this grant program is \$88 million. FY 2020 TSGP funds are 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 Area Security Initiative (UASI)-designated urban areas. Certain ferry systems are eligible to participate in the FY 2020 TSGP. Ferry systems that elect to participate under the FY 2020 TSGP are not considered for funding under the FY 2020 Port Security Grant Program (PSGP). Likewise, any ferry system that elects to participate in the FY 2020 PSGP is not considered for funding under the FY 2020 TSGP.

Funding Guidelines

TSGP recipients will be selected for funding through a competitive review process as outlined in the FY 2020 TSGP NOFO. Applicants will receive a 20% increase to their scores for addressing one or more of the following three national priorities in their IJs:

1. Cybersecurity
2. Soft targets and crowded places
3. Emerging threats

Application Process

Applying for an award under the TSGP is a multi-step process:

Eligible applicants must submit their initial application at least seven days prior to the April 15, 2020 (at 5 p.m. ET) application deadline through the Grants.gov portal at <http://www.grants.gov>. Applicants needing Grants.gov support should contact the Grants.gov customer support hotline at (800) 518-4726.

Eligible applicants will be notified by FEMA and asked to proceed with submitting their complete application package in the [Non-Disaster \(ND\) Grants System](#) by the application deadline. Applicants needing technical support with the ND Grants System should contact ndgrants@fema.dhs.gov or (800) 865-4076, Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. – 6 p.m. ET.

Completed applications must be submitted no later than 5 p.m. ET on April 15, 2020.

TSGP Resources

A variety of resources are available to address programmatic, technical, and financial questions, which can assist with the TSGP, including:

- The FY 2020 TSGP Notice of Funding Opportunity is located online at <http://www.fema.gov/grants> as well as on <http://www.grants.gov>.
- For additional program-specific information, applicants may contact the Centralized Scheduling and Information Desk (CSID) help line at (800) 368-6498 or AskCSID@fema.dhs.gov. CSID hours of operation are from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. ET, Monday through Friday.
- For support regarding financial grant management and budgetary technical assistance, applicants may contact the DHS/FEMA Grant Operations Help Desk via e-mail to ASK-GMD@fema.dhs.gov.