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FFY 2017 Urban Area Security Initiative Nonprofit Security Grant Program (UASI NSGP)

Phoenix UASI Only

Information Sheet

As appropriated by the *Department of Homeland Security Appropriations Act, 2017* (Public Law 114-113); and authorized by Section 2003 of the *Homeland Security Act of 2002*, (Public Law 107-296), as amended (6 U.S.C. § 604); the Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2017 Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI) Nonprofit Security Grant Program (NSGP) provides funding support for target hardening and other physical security enhancements and activities to nonprofit organizations that are at high risk of terrorist attack. The program is also designed to promote coordination and collaboration in emergency preparedness activities among public and private community representatives, as well as state and local government agencies. The FFY 2017 NSGP plays an important role in the implementation of the National Preparedness System (NPS) by supporting the building, sustainment and delivery of core capabilities essential to achieving the National Preparedness Goal (NPG) of a secure and resilient Nation.

Eligible Applicants

- Nonprofit organizations as described under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (IRC), exempt from tax under section 501(a) of such code and **located within the Phoenix Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI)**
- **CRITERIA** - Nonprofit organizations that are at high risk of terrorist attack, includes, but not limited to:
 - Identification and substantiation of current or persistent threats or attacks (from within or outside the U.S.) by a terrorist organization, network, or cell against the applicant based on their ideology, beliefs or mission
 - Symbolic value of the site(s) as a highly recognized regional and/or national or historical institution(s) that renders the site as a possible target of terrorism
 - Role of the applicant nonprofit organization in responding to or recovering from terrorist attacks
 - Findings from previously conducted threat and/or vulnerability assessments
 - Integration of nonprofit preparedness with broader state and local preparedness efforts
 - Complete and feasible Investment Justifications that addresses an identified risk, including the assessed threat, vulnerability, and consequence of the risk and proposes building or sustain a core capability identified in the National Preparedness Goal
 - History of prior funding under the Nonprofit Security Grant Program

Scope of Eligible Target Hardening Projects

Equipment

Allowable costs are focused on target hardening and physical security enhancements. Funding can be used for the acquisition and installation of security equipment on real property (including buildings and improvements) owned or



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leased by the nonprofit organization, specifically in prevention of and/or protection against the risk of a terrorist attack. This equipment is **limited to select items in two categories** of items on the US DHS Authorized Equipment List (AEL):

- Physical Security Enhancement Equipment (Category 14)
- Inspection and Screening Systems (Category 15)

The two allowable prevention and protection categories and equipment standards for the NSGP are listed on DHS AEL located on the DHS/FEMA site at <https://www.fema.gov/authorized-equipment-list>. Unless otherwise stated, equipment must meet all mandatory regulatory and/or DHS-adopted standards to be eligible for purchase using these funds, including the Americans with Disabilities Act. In addition, agencies will be responsible for obtaining and maintaining all necessary certifications and licenses for the requested equipment.

Applicants should analyze the cost benefits of purchasing versus leasing equipment, especially high cost items and those subject to rapid technical advances. Large equipment purchases must be identified and explained. For more information regarding property management standards for equipment, please reference 2 C.F.R. Part 200, including 2 C.F.R. §§200.310, 200.313, and 200.316.

Training

Nonprofit organization security personnel may only use NSGP funds to attend security-related training courses and programs within the United States. Allowable training-related costs under the NSGP are limited to attendance fees for training, and related expenses, such as materials, supplies, and/or equipment. Overtime, backfill, and/or travel expenses are not allowable costs. Allowable training topics are limited to the protection of critical infrastructure key resources, including physical and cyber security, target hardening, and terrorism awareness/employee preparedness including such programs as Community Emergency Response (CERT) training, Active Shooter training and emergency first aid training. Training conducted using NSGP funds must address a specific threat and/or vulnerability, as identified in the nonprofit organization's IJ. Training should provide the opportunity to demonstrate and validate skills learned, as well as to identify any gaps in these skills.

Proposed attendance at training courses and all associated costs leveraging the NSGP must be included in the nonprofit organization's IJ.

Application Information

- **June 15, 2017 – Investment Justification Applications, Vulnerability Risk Assessment, Data Collection Forms and Mission Statements** must be by submitted to cbowen@azdohs.gov no later than **5:00 p.m.** The Investment Justification Application template is available at <https://azdohs.gov/nsgp>. No other forms of application will be accepted.
- Eligible nonprofit organizations may apply for an award amount **up to \$75,000.**



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- Only nonprofit organizations as described under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (IRC), exempt from tax under section 501(a) of such code and **located within the Phoenix Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI)** may apply.
- Applicant must provide a Dun and Bradstreet Universal Numbering System (DUNS) Number.
- Eligible nonprofit organizations **must submit a copy of their organization's Mission Statement and a Vulnerability Risk Assessment (on which the application is based) with their application.** For more information on obtaining a Vulnerability Risk Assessment, please contact your local law enforcement and request to speak to a Terrorism Liaison Officer (TLO).
- **Data Collection Form:** Complete information on all 3 tabs.
- Please note that should a nonprofit organization receive an award, an Environmental Planning and Historic Preservation compliance review will be required prior to beginning any project. It is recommended that you reflect an EHP application submission/review in the Investment Justification application, Section V Milestones.

Tips for Completing the UASI NSGP Investment Justification Application

- **Review the scoring criteria** on pages 34-36 of the FFY 2017 UASI NSGP Guidance (Notice of Funding Opportunity) as well as the **review criteria** on pages 15-17.
- **Note character limits for each section of the Investment Justification Application.** You may want to consider creating the text in MS Word so that you can check the character count as well as spell-check. Then copy and paste into the Excel template.
- **Excel Investment Justification Application (Template)** – When opening the file, you may need to “enable content” to be able to enter text.
- **Investment Justification Application, Section V – Milestones:** Milestones should be within a one-year period starting 10/1/17 and ending 9/30/18.
- **Save the file in Excel 97-2003 format** using the following naming convention: **FY 2017 AZ_PhX UASI_(Nonprofit Name)**
- **Read the Helpful Hints on the Introduction tab of the Excel Investment Justification template.**

For additional questions or information, contact Cheryl Bowen Kennedy, Arizona Department of Homeland Security at cbowen@azdohs.gov or 602.542.7077.