

Nonprofit Security Grant Program National Security Supplemental (NSGP-NSS) Webinar

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NSGP Overview

NSGP Overview: Purpose



The NSGP helps nonprofit organizations to prevent and protect against terrorist and other extremist attacks.



NSGP funds are focused on security-related activities and projects that build capabilities to prevent or protect against potential attacks.



NSGP is a highly competitive grant, meaning that nonprofits are not guaranteed funding. Factors like total amount of funding requested, amount of funding made available, and the competitive review and scoring process inform final outcomes.



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NSGP Overview: Eligibility

What type of entities/organizations are eligible to apply under NSGP?

The list below is not exhaustive and only provides examples of potential eligible organizations, all of which **must** be nonprofits.

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|  Houses of worship |  Shelters/crisis centers |
|  Educational facilities |  Event venues |
|  Medical facilities |  Science organizations |
|  Senior centers/care facilities |  Camps |
|  Community/social service |  Museums |

Eligible organizations are registered 501(c)(3) nonprofits or otherwise are organizations as described under 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code (IRC) and tax-exempt under section 501(a) of the IRC.

What type of entities/organizations are not eligible to apply under NSGP?


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|  Utility companies |  Organizations active in politics/lobbying |
|  Governmental entities |  For-profit venues, stadiums, amusement parks, etc. |
|  For-profit hospitals |  Homeowner associations, labor unions, etc. |
|  For-profit colleges/universities |  For-profit transportation entities |
|  Volunteer fire departments |  Municipal/public schools (elementary, middle, high) |
|  Kiwanis, Rotary, Lions Clubs, etc. | |









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NSGP Overview: Allowable vs. Unallowable Expenditures

Allowable Examples

-  Access controls / Cybersecurity
-  Bollards, barriers, and fences
-  Blast-resistant doors, windows, etc.
-  Contract security
-  CCTV/Security Cameras
-  Management & Administration (M&A)

Unallowable Examples

-  License plate reader software
-  Weapons and/or weapons training
-  Facial recognition software
-  General expenses, salaries, OT
-  Knox boxes/key safe
-  Proof-of-concept initiatives/studies



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Changes for NSGP-NSS

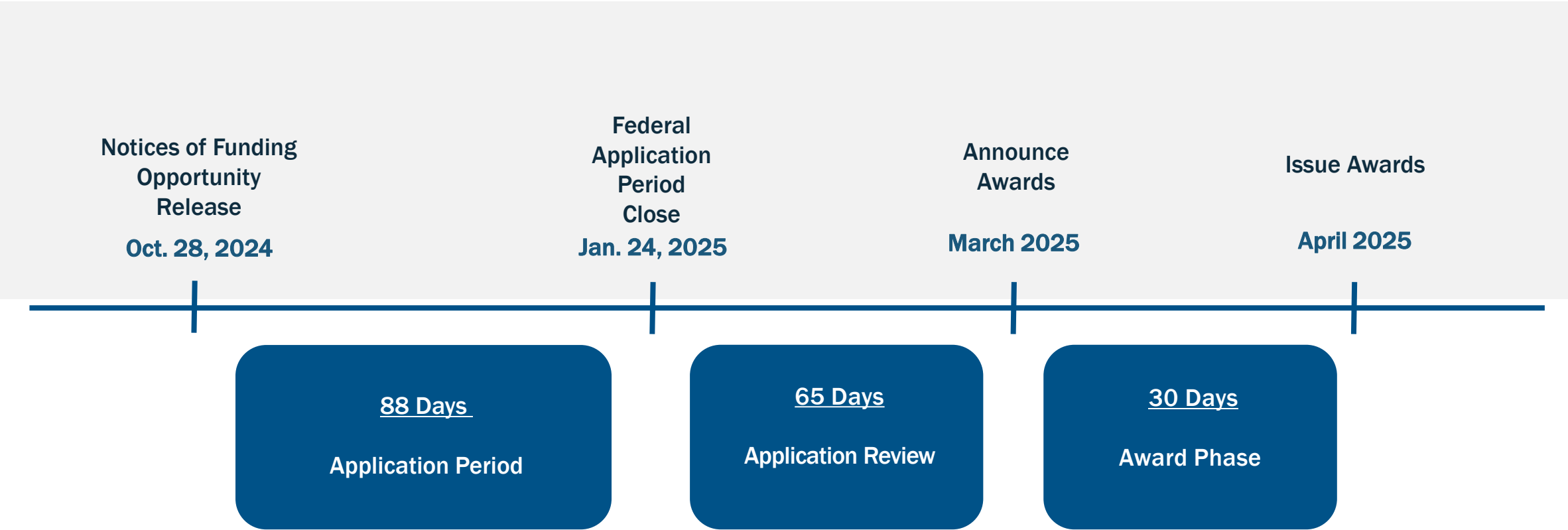
NSGP-NSS Overview

- The National Security Supplemental provided \$400 million in supplemental funding for NSGP.
 - \$10 million was allocated to FEMA for program administration
 - \$180 million added to the FY 2024 annual appropriation
- FEMA released the remaining **\$210 million** in an interim NSGP-NSS NOFO on Oct. 28.
 - **\$105 million** is allocated for NSGP-NSS-Urban Area (UA)
 - **\$105 million** is allocated for NSGP-NSS-State (S)




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NSGP-NSS: Timeline




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New in NSGP-NSS




Investment Justification (IJ) funding request limit has increased from \$150,000 to \$200,000 per site.




Nonprofit organizations that have not previously received NSGP funding will not have bonus points added.



Nonprofit organizations have the option to apply as a group of subapplicants, or a consortium.



Nonprofit organizations facing heightened threat resulting from the Israel-Hamas war may qualify for a 4x multiplier.



Updated Investment Justification (IJ) form specific for NSGP-NSS.

IJ Funding Request Limit Increase

- Nonprofit organizations with multiple sites/locations/physical addresses may choose to apply for additional sites for up to **\$200,000 per site**.
- A nonprofit organization subapplicant may not exceed a total of six applications (three for NSGP-NSS-S and three for NSGP-NSS-UA) for a **total of \$600,000** per state.



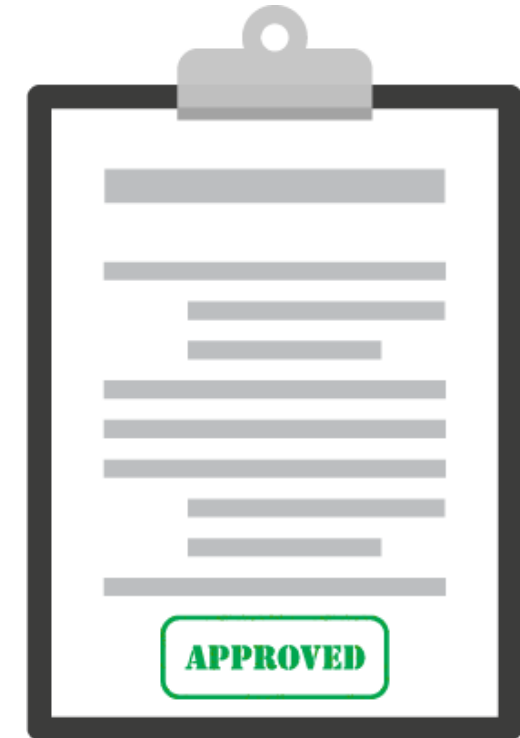
Consortium Applications

- A **consortium** of nonprofit organizations is also an eligible subapplicant for NSGP-NSS.
- All nonprofit organizations within a consortium must be compliant with the NSGP-NSS eligibility requirements and eligible under the applied-for funding stream.
 - For example, if a consortium applies for NSGP-NSS-UA, each nonprofit must be eligible for NSGP-NSS-UA funding.
- Nonprofit organizations may **not** apply both individually and as part of a consortium.
- Each nonprofit organization is still limited to a **\$200,000 per site maximum**, and consortia awards are limited to **\$1 million**.
 - Awards more than \$250,000 must comply with the Build America, Buy America Act (BABAA). More information is available in the NSGP-NSS Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO).
- Total funding for consortium applications is limited to 25% of the total NSGP-NSS award allocation, or **\$52.5 million**.



Updated Investment Justification Form

- The NSGP-NSS IJ form is nearly identical to the FY24 NSGP form.
- Changes include:
 - Consortium application questions.
 - Self-identification question regarding heightened threat resulting from the Israel-Hamas war.
 - Updates to Organization Type and Organization Affiliation drop-down options.



Bonus Points and Multipliers

Bonus Points

- Nonprofit organizations that have not previously received NSGP funding will not have bonus points added to their final score.
- Communities deemed disadvantaged by the Climate and Economic Justice Screening Tool (CEJST) will still be given 10 bonus points.
- The self-identified characteristics of the consortium lead only will be applied to determine Bonus Points and Multipliers.

New Multiplier

- Subapplicant's SAA score will be multiplied by a factor of four for nonprofit organizations facing heightened threat resulting from the Israel-Hamas war.
- Subapplicants must **draw a clear connection** between the heightened threat they face and the Israel-Hamas war in their project narratives to qualify for this multiplier.
- All other multipliers will remain the same.



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NSGP-NSS Application Overview

Finding Application Information



Step 1: Determine your SAA

Your SAA will be the agency (listed on FEMA’s SAA webpage) for the state or territory where your facility is physically located. Physical location is based on the address of the facility as it will appear on the application. Visit FEMA.gov and search “SAA” to find your state’s POC.

Step 2: Determine your SAA’s application deadline

Contact your SAA or visit their website to determine the specific requirements for your state or territory and the application deadline. You must apply *TO your SAA* by their deadline. Subapplicants do not use the deadline published by DHS in the NOFO.

Step 3: Determine the funding stream

You will apply to either the Urban Area (UA) or State (S) funding stream based on your physical location. The list of Urban Areas is published in the NOFO. Verify with your SAA which one you should apply to.*

FEMA’s Urban Area boundaries are not the same as MSAs, city limits, etc.



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Application Elements Detailed

Reviewed by SAA ONLY

Materials required and/or requested by the SAA to validate the information in the IJ. The materials are not provided to FEMA reviewers and are not part of the federal scoring process.



Mission Statement: Used to validate information in the IJ and to categorize the facility (ideology-based, education, medical, and other). Consortium must submit mission statements for all organizations.



Completed Vulnerability Assessment: Identify vulnerabilities in context of the threats and consequences of potential events at a facility/site. Proposed equipment, projects, and activities should directly link to mitigating specific vulnerabilities included in the assessment. Provides the foundation of the IJ content. Contact your SAA for local requirements. Refer to the links provided by CISA on the resource slide for self-assessments or assistance. Consortium may develop shared or individual vulnerability assessments.



Supporting Documentation, if applicable: Materials to help validate/support or describe the threats, risks and vulnerabilities nonprofits may face, summarized within the investment justification, such as police or insurance reports. *Reach out to your SAA to better understand any state level requirements, processes, templates, timelines, etc.*

Reviewed by SAA and FEMA

The IJ and the Consortium Workbook (if applicable) are the only documents reviewed by FEMA.

Completed Investment Justification (IJ): Outlines the investment and relevant projects. Includes summaries of information provided in mission statements, VAs, etc.



Requires a budget narrative and breakdown, timeline, and project plan.



Consortium Workbook: For consortia applications only. Will supplement the information provided in the lead organization's IJ.



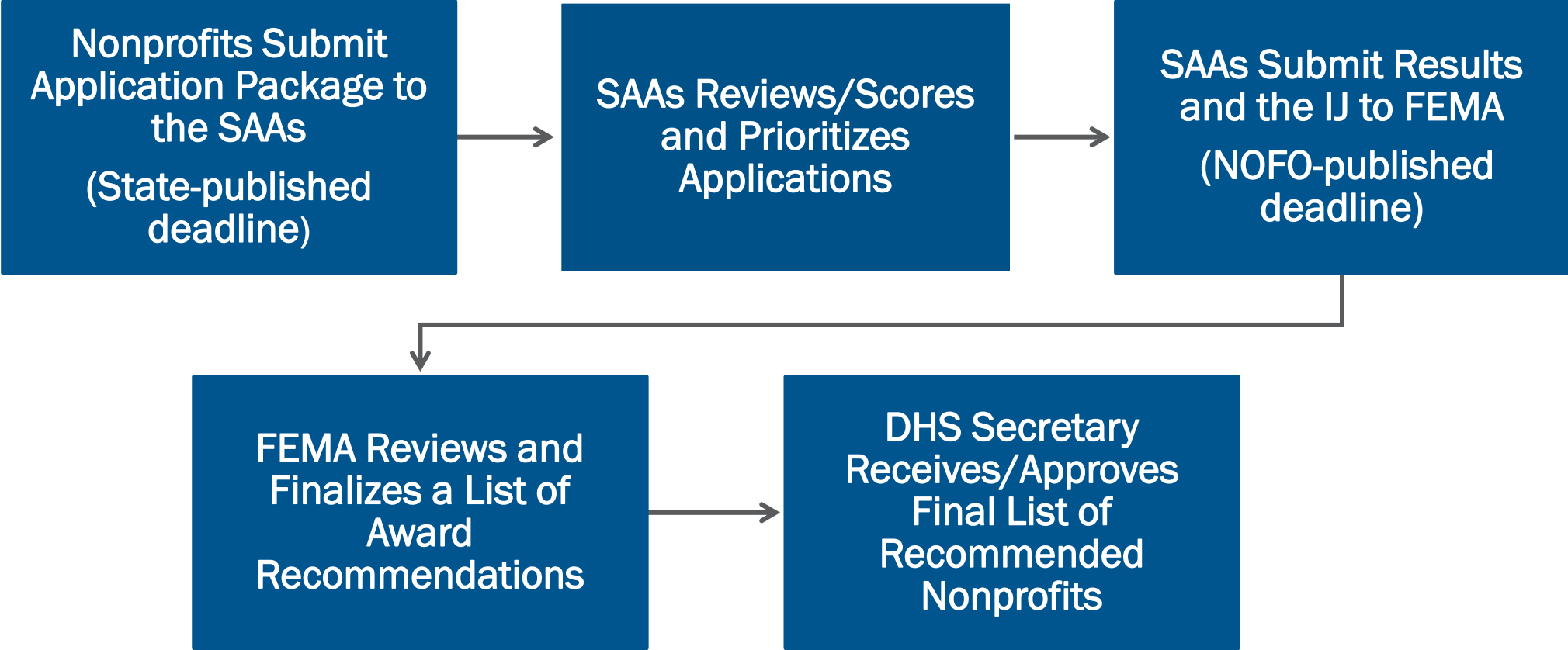
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Consortium Application Components

- Investment Justification, filled out by the **consortium lead only** and with answers to represent the collective consortium.
- Either a **shared** Vulnerability Assessment for the entire consortium, or **individual** Vulnerability Assessments for each nonprofit organization within the consortium.
- Mission Statements for **each** nonprofit organization within the consortium.
- Consortium Workbook, completed by the consortium lead and containing the required information for each nonprofit organization within the consortium:
 - Demographic information including: the name, address, organization type, function and affiliation;
 - Programmatic information, including eligibility information, UEI, total funding requested per site, and a point of contact for each nonprofit organization; and
 - Additional narrative information, including how each nonprofit organization's projects address the objective of the consortium application and individual mission statements.



NSGP Overview: Application Review and Scoring Process



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Resources

Ongoing Resource



- [\(NSGP\) Application Process | FEMA.gov](#)



- [What is the Nonprofit Security Grant Program? - YouTube](#)



- [State Administrative Agency \(SAA\) Contacts | FEMA.gov](#)



- [Physical Security | Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency CISA](#)



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NSGP-NSS Materials



- [NSGP-NSS Notice of Funding Opportunity \(NOFO\)](#)
- [FY 2024 Preparedness Grants Manual \(PGM\) → NSGP Appendix Nonprofit Security Grant Program](#)



- [NSGP-NSS Quick Start Guide](#)
- [NSGP-NSS FAQs](#)
- [NSGP-NSS Key Changes](#)
- [NSGP-NSS Fact Sheet](#)



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