

FY 2023 NSGP Application Webinar

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Public Safety Office NSGP Application Webinar

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Nonprofit Security Grant Program (NSGP) - Overview

Purpose: The objective of the NSGP is to provide funding for physical and cyber security enhancements and other security-related activities to nonprofit organizations that are at high risk of a terrorist or extremist attack.

Terrorism: Any activity involving a criminally unlawful act that is dangerous to human life or potentially destructive of critical infrastructure or key resources, and that appears intended to intimidate or coerce a civilian population, to influence government policy by intimidation or coercion, or to affect the conduct of a government by mass destruction, assassination, or kidnapping.



- The State Administrative Agency (SAA) is the only eligible applicant to apply for funding to FEMA.
- Nonprofit organizations are eligible as subapplicants to the SAA. As such, nonprofit organizations must apply for NSGP funding through their SAA, who then submits all application information to FEMA.
- Nonprofit organizations may <u>not</u> apply directly to DHS/FEMA for NSGP funds.



Eligible organizations are:

- Registered 501(c)(3) nonprofit or otherwise are organizations described under section 501(c)(3) of the IRS Code of 1986 (IRC) and exempt from tax under section 501(a) of such code;
- Have an active/valid filing with the IRS or the Texas Secretary of State to ensure 501(c)(3) status;
- Have an active System for Award Management (SAM) registration*;
- Able to demonstrate, through the application, that the organization is at high risk of a terrorist attack
- Faith based organizations may be exempted from providing proof of 501(c)(3) status (see next slide)
- * Note: The SAM Unique Entity Identifier (UEI) replaced the DUNS Number



Churches (including integrated auxiliaries and conventions or associations of churches) that meet the requirements of section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code are automatically considered tax exempt and are not required to apply for and obtain recognition of exempt status from the IRS.

Every organization exempt from federal income tax under Internal Revenue Code section 501(a) must file an annual information return **except**:

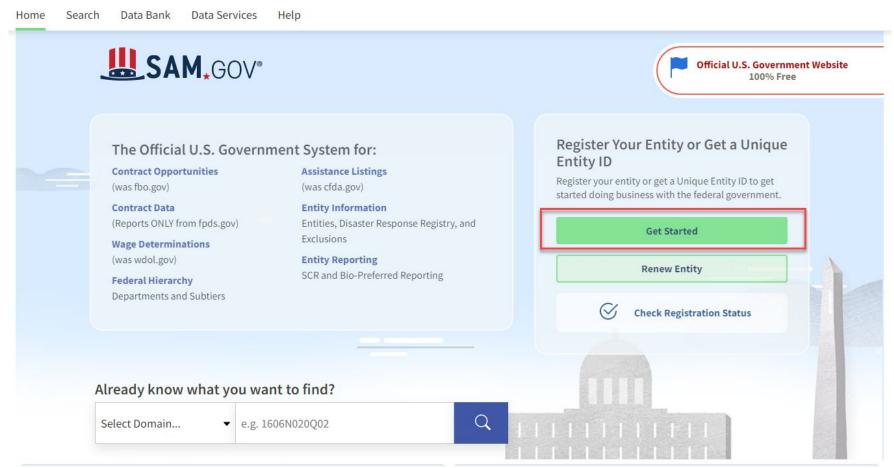
- A church, an interchurch organization of local units of a church, a convention or association of churches
- An integrated auxiliary of a church
- A church-affiliated organization that is exclusively engaged in managing funds or maintaining retirement programs
- A school below college level affiliated with a church or operated by a religious order
- Church-affiliated mission societies if more than half of their activities are conducted in, or are directed at persons in, foreign countries
- An exclusively religious activity of any religious order

(Source: Churches, Integrated Auxiliaries, and Conventions or Associations of Churches | Internal Revenue Service (irs.gov)



System for Award Management (SAM)

SAM.gov link: <u>SAM.gov | Entity Registrations</u>





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.

√ Houses of worship

✓ Senior centers/care facilities

√ Educational facilities

✓ Community and social service organizations

✓ Medical facilities

√ Shelters/crisis centers

✓ Camps

✓ Event venues

✓ Museums

✓ Science organizations



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

- X Utility companies
- X Organizations active in politics/lobbying
- X For-profit hospitals
- X For-profit colleges/universities
- X Volunteer fire departments*
- X Governmental entities*

- X For-profit venues, stadiums, amusement parks, clubs, etc.
- X For-profit transportation entities
- X Municipal/public schools (elementary, middle, or high schools)*
- X Kiwanis, Rotary, Lions Clubs, etc.
- X Homeowner associations, labor unions, etc.

^{*} Public ISDs and other governmental entities are eligible for funding under other programs



- Eligible nonprofit subapplicants located <u>within</u> UASI-designated highrisk urban areas may apply to the SAA (applicant) to receive funding only under NSGP-UA.
- Eligible nonprofit organization subapplicants located <u>outside</u> of UASIdesignated high-risk urban areas may apply to the SAA (applicant) to receive funding only under NSGP-S.
- DHS/FEMA will verify that nonprofit sub-applicants have applied to the correct program and may disqualify the applications of nonprofit subapplicants that apply to the wrong program.
- UASI Urban Area Security Initiative
- NSGP-UA Nonprofit Security Grant Program-Urban Area
- NSGP-S Nonprofit Security Grant Program-State



NSGP Eligibility – Subapplicant

- Current designated UASIs
 - Dallas/Fort Worth/ Arlington (Includes counties: Dallas, Denton, Tarrant and Collin)
 - Houston (Includes counties: Harris, Fort Bend, Montgomery, Brazoria, and Galveston)
 - San Antonio (Includes counties: Atascosa, Bandera, Bexar, Comal, Frio, Gillespie, Guadalupe, Karnes, Kendal, Kerr, McMullen, Medina, and Wilson)
 - Austin (Includes counties: Travis, Williamson and Hays) *New for 2023*
- Potential UASIs if designated by FEMA*:
 - El Paso
 - Counties included in any future UASIs will depend on the counties included in the UASI's charter.



Public Safety Office NSGP Eligibility – Activities - Planning

Funding may be used for security or emergency planning expenses and the materials required to conduct planning activities. Planning must be related to the protection of the facility and the people within the facility and should include consideration of access and functional needs considerations as well as those with limited English proficiency.

- Development and enhancement of security plans and protocols;
- Development or further strengthening of security assessments;
- Emergency contingency plans;
- Evacuation/Shelter-in-place plans;
- Coordination and information sharing with fusion centers; and
- Other project planning activities with prior approval from FEMA.

FEMA has several free resources for organizational planning. Links for these resources are provided in the final slides of this presentation.



NSGP Eligibility – Activities - 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 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 the following two sections of items on the Authorized Equipment List (AEL):

- Physical Security Enhancement Equipment (Section 14); and
- Inspection and Screening Systems (Section 15).

In addition to the select items in Sections 14 and 15 listed above, the following equipment is also allowable:

- Notification and Warning Systems; and
- Radios and Public Warning Systems Public Address, Handheld, or Mobile.



Public Safety Office NSGP Eligibility – Activities - Exercises

- Funding may be used to conduct security-related exercises. This includes
 costs related to planning, meeting space and other meeting costs,
 facilitation costs, materials and supplies, and documentation. Exercises
 afford organizations the opportunity to validate plans and procedures,
 evaluate capabilities, and assess progress toward meeting capability
 targets in a controlled, low risk setting.
- FEMA has several free resources for organizational exercise planning.
 Links for these resources are provided in the final slides of this presentation.



NSGP Eligibility – Activities - Training

Nonprofit organizations may use NSGP funds for the following trainingrelated costs:

- Employed or volunteer security staff to attend security-related training within the United States;
- Employed or volunteer staff to attend security-related training within the United States with the intent of training other employees or members/congregants upon completing the training (i.e., "train-the-trainer" type courses); and
- Nonprofit organization's employees, or members/congregants to receive on-site security training.

Allowable training topics are limited to the protection of critical infrastructure key resources, including physical and cybersecurity, target hardening, and terrorism awareness/employee preparedness. See the Preparedness Grants Manual, page C-6 for more details.



NSGP Eligibility – Activities – Management & Administration (M&A)

- M&A costs are for activities directly related to the management and administration of the award.
- M&A expenses must be based on actual expenses or known contractual costs. Requests that are simple percentages of the award, without supporting justification, will not be allowed or considered for reimbursement.
- M&A expenses may not exceed 5% of the total project costs
- M&A costs include the following categories of activities:
 - Hiring of full-time or part-time staff or contractors/consultants responsible for activities relating to the management and administration of NSGP funds. Hiring of contractors/consultants must follow the applicable federal procurement requirements at 2 C.F.R. §§ 200.317-200.327; and
 - Meeting-related expenses directly related to M&A of NSGP funds.



NSGP - Unallowable Costs /Activity Examples



The following projects and costs are considered ineligible for award consideration:

- Organization costs, and operational overtime costs;
- Direct hiring of public safety personnel;
- General-use expenditures;
- Overtime and backfill;
- Initiatives that do not address the implementation of programs/initiatives to build prevention and protection-focused capabilities directed at identified facilities and/or the surrounding communities;
- The development of risk/vulnerability assessment models;
- Initiatives that fund risk or vulnerability security assessments or the development of the IJ;
- Initiatives in which federal agencies are the beneficiary or that enhance federal property; (continued on next slide)



NSGP - Unallowable Costs/Activity Examples



The following projects and costs are considered ineligible for award consideration *(continued)*:

- Initiatives which study technology development;
- Proof-of-concept initiatives;
- Initiatives that duplicate capabilities being provided by the Federal Government;
- Organizational operating expenses;
- Landscaping /grounds maintenance;
- Reimbursement of pre-award security expenses;
- Cameras for license plate readers/license plate reader software;
- Cameras for facial recognition software;
- Sexual Predator Screening Database;
- Self defense training/tasers/pepper spray*;
- Weapons or weapons-related training**; and
- Knox boxes.



NSGP - Acceptance of Federal Funding

Strings are attached to grant funding

- Federal grant requirements (rules/regulations)
 - 2 CFR, NOFO, Preparedness Grants Manual, FEMA Information Bulletins, etc.
- State law, rules and regulations
 - Texas Grant Management Standards (TxGMS), Texas Administrative Code (TAC), etc.
- Financial Reporting requirements (Quarterly)
- Performance reporting requirements (Bi-annual)
- Document retention (at least 3 years beyond grant period)





Public Safety Office NSGP – Federal EHP Requirements

POST AWARD REQUIREMENT: All funded projects with equipment installation must undergo an EHP Review to ensure compliance with EHP laws and NEPA.

- EHP: Environmental/Historic Preservation
 - Federal money cannot be used in a way that damages historic buildings
 - Buildings 45 years or older can expect additional review
- NEPA: National Environmental Protection Act
 - Federal government money can't be used in a way that will harm the environment.
 - This includes: air, water, animals, people, noise
- All funded projects will require an EHP screening form unless contracted security is all that is being requested.



NSGP – Period of Performance (PoP)

Grant performance period may be up to 30 months

(09/01/2023 - 02/28/2026)

Note: The EHP review and approval can be a multi-month approval process





Public Safety Office NSGP Funding

- Per the 2023 NSGP NOFO, both NSGP-UA and NSGP-S subapplicants may apply for up to \$150,000 per site.
- Nonprofit organization may request funding for up to three (3) separate sites for a maximum of \$450,000.
- Requests for multiple sites must be submitted through multiple applications to the SAA. One site per application.
- Physical location of the site to be protected determines eligibility under NSGP-UA or NSGP-S
- The NSGP does not have a match requirement
- Applicants are encouraged to request the maximum amount for each site.



Public Safety Office NSGP Funding

- The term "site" indicates the physical location of one or more facilities to be protected.
- Multiple sites/locations requiring separate applications may be separated by physical location or addresses.
- Example: (Different Physical Address)
 - A faith-based organization that maintains a house of worship and a school located with two separate street addresses regardless of distance.
 - An organization that operates multiple schools spread across a geographical area, I.e., city, county, region, etc.
- Example: (Multiple sites/locations)
 - An organization with a campus that includes several buildings/facilities
 with a shared physical address. Buildings are designated by a unique
 building number or other designation/name. E.g., a church and school
 with a shared physical address however the church is physically
 separate from the school.



Public Safety Office NSGP Funding – Historical Overview

Year	National Amount	DFWA Projects Funded	Houston Projects Funded	San Antonio Projects Funded	NSGP-S	Total Awards in Texas
FY2018	\$60 mil	2	9	0	7	\$2.2 mil
FY2019	\$60 mil	2	5	1	6	\$1.2 mil
FY2020	\$90 mil	7	6	5	23	\$3.8 mil
FY2021	\$180 mil	1	11	4	29	\$6.4 mil
FY2022	\$250 mil	15	20	9	29	\$10 mil
FY2023	\$305 mil					

- The Federal appropriation is split between NSGP-UA and NSGP-S
- NSGP-UA projects compete with other NSGP-UA projects nationwide



Preparing for the Application to the SAA

- Nonprofit Organizations applying to the SAA will need to prepare three documents for each site:
 - ✓ Organization Mission Statement
 - ✓ Site Vulnerability Assessment
 - ✓ Investment Justification
- Additional documentation needed include:
 - ✓ Completed Texas Payee ID application
 - ✓ Completed <u>Direct Deposit Form</u>
 - √ Completed IRS W-9 Form
- Organizations will also need to register in the SAM to secure a SAM UEI number. NOTE: There are no costs associated with SAM registration. Please be mindful for potential scams requesting payment to complete a SAM registration.
- Identify grant officials for each project and register for eGrants user accounts.



Mission Statement

- A mission statement is a formal summary of the aims and values of an organization. The three components of a mission statement include the purpose, values, and goals of the organization. The provided statement should discuss the "who, what, and why" of your organization.
- Tip: It is highly recommended that the Mission Statement is documented on official letterhead. This element helps inform and validate a nonprofit organization's categorical self-identification based on its ideology, beliefs, mission, function, or constituency served/supported.



Vulnerability Assessment

- A vulnerability assessment is used to identify and validate physical security deficiencies of your organization/facility and is the foundation of an NSGP application.
- Currently there is no prescribed format or template for the assessment.
- Vulnerability assessments can be provided in the form of a Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA) Self-Assessment (Facility Security Self-Assessment | CISA), State or Local Law Enforcement Assessment, Contractor Assessment, or other valid method of assessment.
- The vulnerably assessment involves looking inside the organization for internal vulnerabilities and weaknesses. Projects/activities requested through the NSGP should align to mitigate items identified in the vulnerability assessment.



Nonprofit Security Grant Program (NSGP) - Overview - Timeline

- 1. Budget for FY23
 - No specifics for FY23 are known until AFTER Congressional funding is signed into law.
- 2. FY23 NOFO and materials are published
 - 60 days after the FY23 budget is signed into law. The policies and materials shared at this point are the final federal documentation.
- 3. FY23 NSGP application materials due to SAA on 3/17/2023 by 5:00pm CST
- 4. FY23 Federal application and materials due to FEMA do later than 5/18/2023



Nonprofit Security Grant Program (NSGP) - Overview - Timeline

The FY 2023 NSGP NOFO was released on 2/27/2023

SAA applications for the FY 2023 NSGP open on January 13, 2023 SAA applications for the FY 2023 NSGP close on March 17, 2023.

All required documentation including the completed IJ, Vulnerability assessment and Mission Statement must be uploaded to your application by no later than 5:00PM CST on March 17th 2023.

- The SAA has begun send a notice to all organization that have started an application in eGrants that includes:
 - Any updated program guidance that may impact an organizations application;
 - The FY 2023 Investment Justification Template;
 - Any additional updates that may impact the application period.
 - A report will be run daily to identify new application created in the eGrants system.





NSGP – Creating and Completing the State Application



risk.

protect against, mitigate, respond to, and recover from the threats and hazards that pose the greatest



Criminal Justice Division (CJD)

Homepage

eGrants

Application Process – eGrants User Account Registration

eGrants link: https://egrants.gov.texas.gov/Default.aspx

- Used to administer all grants made by the PSO.
- Applications to the SAA are only accepted though eGrants
- Nonprofit organizations will need to identify and designate at least three (3) grant officials and register for eGrants User accounts



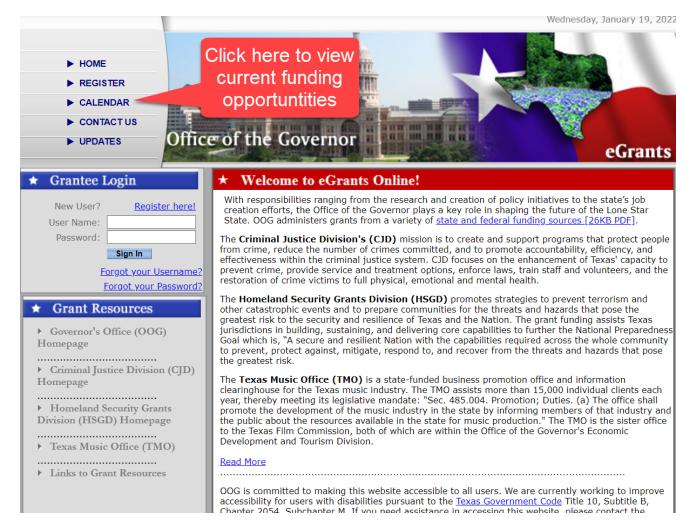


Application Process – eGrants User Account Registration

★ Create a new eGrants account	
Create a New Account	
Please fill out the information below.	
User Name:	Business Phone:
Email Address:	Alternate Phone:
Re-enter Email Address:	Fax Number:
First Name:	Position:
Last Name:	Title:
	Select One 🗸
	Salutation:
	Select One 🗸
Address Line 1:	Address Line 2:
City:	State:
	Texas ✓
Zip Code:	
Register for an eGrants Account	
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NSGP - Creating and Completing the State Application





Public Safety Office NSGP – Request for Applications

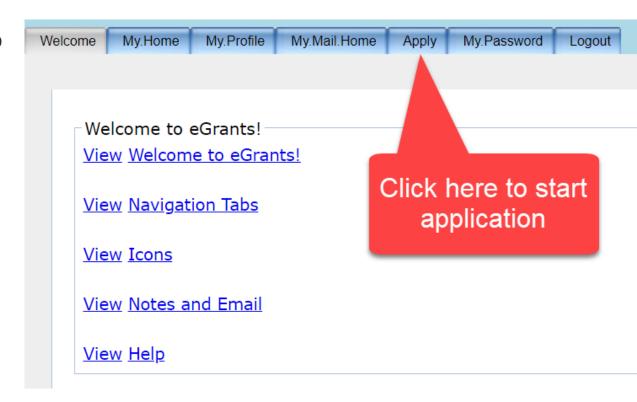
Applicants are highly encouraged to read the Request for Applications (RFA) "Announcement" very carefully.





NSGP – Creating an Application

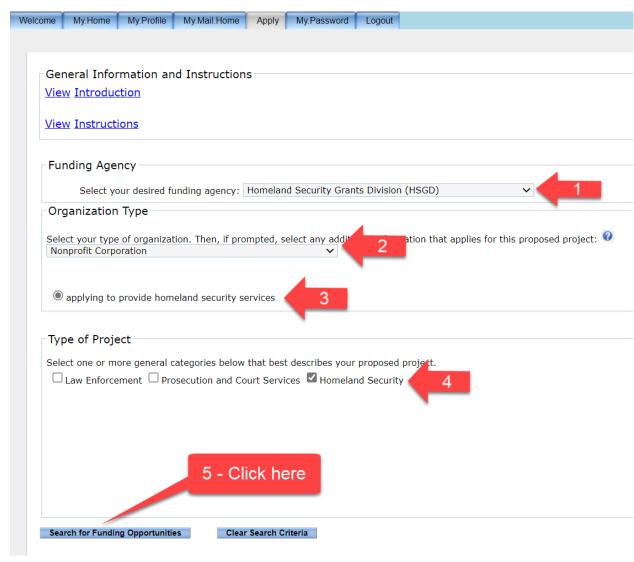
Once you are logged into eGrants you will need to click on the "Apply" tab to search for the funding opportunity.





NSGP - Creating an Application

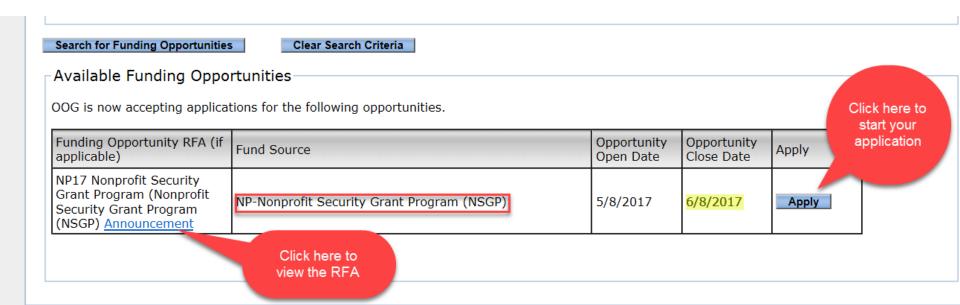
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Public Safety Office NSGP – Request for Applications

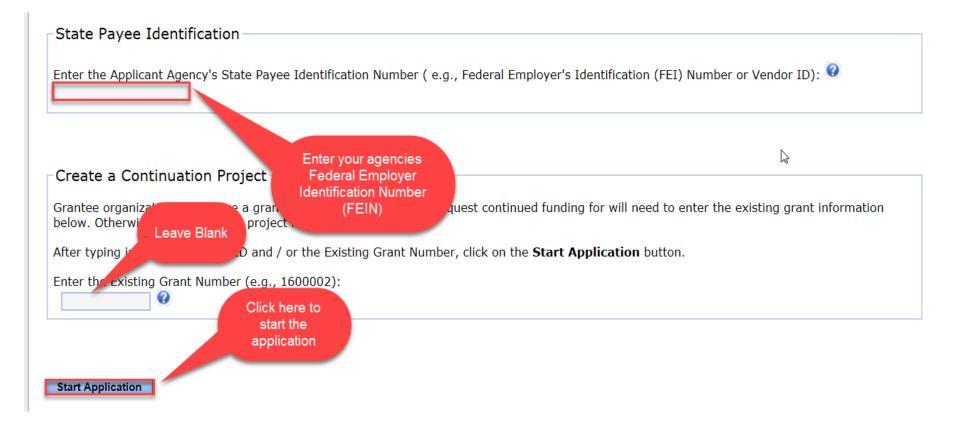
- Find the NSGP funding opportunity*
- Select "Apply" to begin your application





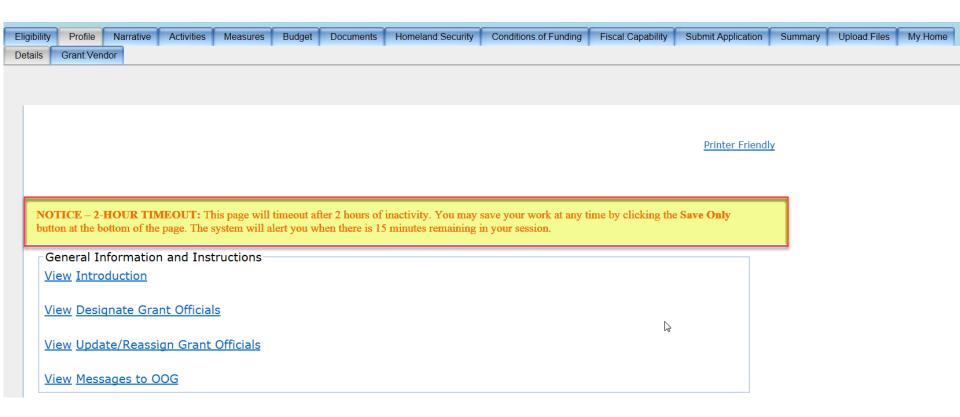
NSGP - Creating an Application

State Payee ID – 9 digits (e.g. 12753224554000). These 9 digits are your
 Federal Employee Identification Number





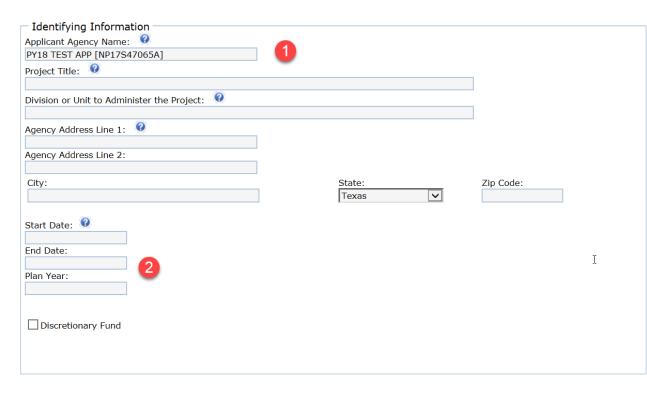
Public Safety Office NSGP – Profile Tab





NSGP - Profile Tab

- Input agency information.
- You must include zip code +4
- Enter your desired start and end date
- Please note: project may not begin before 09/01/23 or end after 02/28/2026.





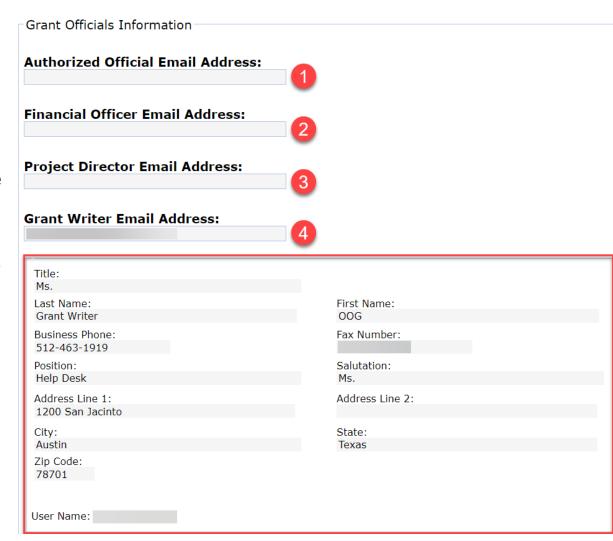


NSGP - Profile Tab

- You must assign* four Grant Officials to the application
- These officials must be at least three different people within your organization, the grant writer can be the same person as any of the other officials

*Each official must have registered for an eGrants account; you will enter their email address and click "Assign" to link them to the application.





NSGP – Grant Official Roles: Authorized Official (AO)

The **Authorized Official (AO)** is usually a chairman of a non-profit board, executive director, etc.

Authorized Official (AO)

- Appointed/authorized by the governing body of the organization.
- Authorized individuals are generally the county judge, mayor, chairman of a non-profit board, etc.
- Authorized to apply for, accept, reject, alter, or terminate the grant.
- Responsible for certifying changes made to applications or grants.



NSGP - Grant Official Roles: Financial Officer (FO)

The **Financial Official (FO)** must be either an employee or board member and should be the Chief Financial Officer, Auditor, or Treasurer of the Board for the organization.

Financial Officer (FO)

- Required to be the chief financial officer (or designee) for the grantee agency.
- Responsible for maintaining the financial records to account for all grant funds.
- Responsible for requesting funds and the completion of required financial reporting at least quarterly (unless otherwise instructed by HSGD) in eGrants.



NSGP - Grant Official Roles: Project Director (PD)

The **Project Director (PD)** must be an employee or member of the organization.

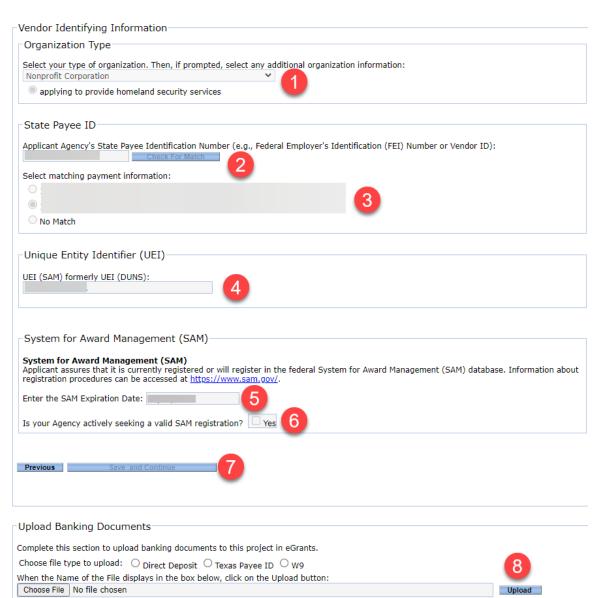
Project Director (PD)

- Must be an employee of the grantee agency.
- Responsible for the day-to-day operations of the project.
- Responsible for required programmatic reporting.



NSGP – Grant Vendor Tab

- The Grant vendor tab will capture your agency type,
 FEI number and SAM* expiration date.
- You must also upload three completed financial documents. Uploading blank or incomplete documents will delay processing any applications and awards.





NSGP - Grant Vendor Tab

- The three financial forms required are:
 - Texas Payee ID application
 - Direct Deposit Form
 - IRS W-9 Form

General Information and Instructions

View Introduction

View Instructions

View How Do I Upload Documents to this Project?

Collapse Forms

To receive payments from the Office of the Governor (OOG), download, complete and upload the following forms within the Uploaded Documents area at the bottom of the Profile/Grant. Vendor tab.

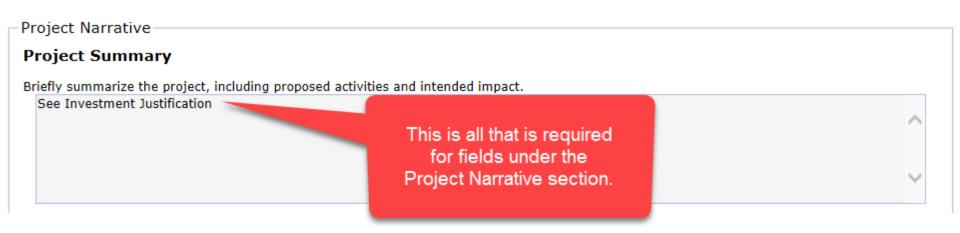
- o Texas Application for Payee Identification Number Form 08/17/17
- o Texas Direct Deposit Authorization Form Aug '17
- o IRS W-9 Form 02/20/15

NOTE: Forms will not be accepted in hard copy format.



Public Safety Office NSGP – Narrative Tab

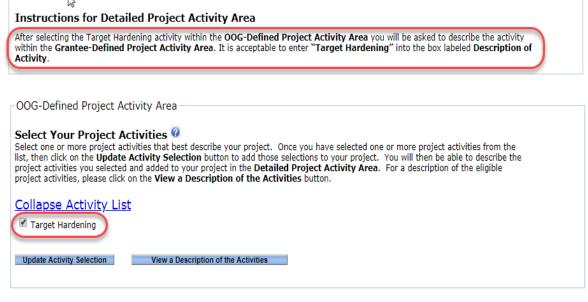
- NSGP Applicants to the state are not required to enter any information on the Narrative Tab.
- Specific project information used for funding considerations will be entered into the Investment Justification (IJ) document.



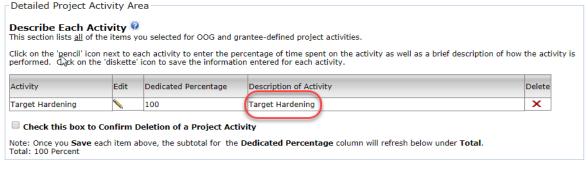


Public Safety Office NSGP – Activity Tab

- Select Target Hardening
- In the Detailed Project
 Activity Area, the dedicated percentage will be 100% of your grant funded activities
- You will also need to give a description of your planned activity; it is acceptable to enter "Target Hardening" for the description



Fund Source Information and Requirements





Public Safety Office NSGP - Measures Tab

Input your anticipated output performance measures

Entering the OOG-Defined Output Performance Measure Information

Please enter the required target levels for each output measure listed below.



Edit	Output Measures	Target Level
~	Number of exercises conducted.	0
%	Number of facilities hardened.	1
%	Number of individuals participating in exercises.	0
%	Number of people trained.	0
%	Number of plans developed or updated.	0

Entering the OOG-Defined Outcome Performance Measure Information

Please enter the required target levels for each outcome measure listed below.



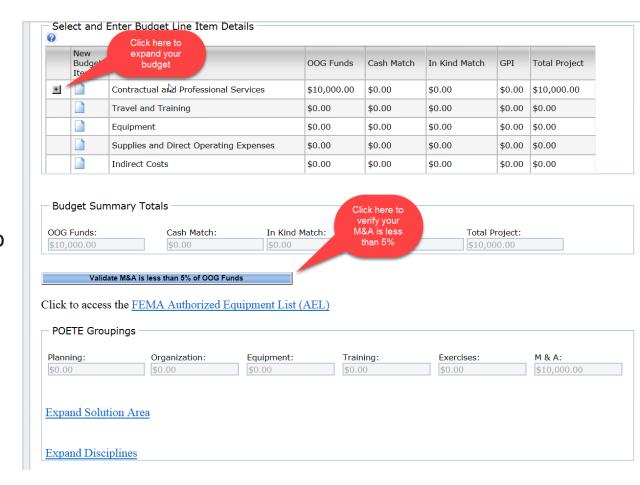
Edit	Outcome Measures	Target Level
%	Number of individuals from stakeholder organizations participating in planning/coordination meetings.	0
%	Number of stakeholder organizations participating in planning/coordination meetings.	0

Create Custom Performance Measures



NSGP – Budget Tab

- The budget tab is where you will tell HSGD what your specific budget costs will include.
- Your budget will need to be broken down into different categories, depending upon what type of expenses you anticipate having.
- Validate M&A





NSGP – Narrative Tab

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Budget Summary Totals

OOG Funds: \$10,000.00	Cash Match: \$0.00	In Kind Match: \$0.00	M&A is less than 5%	Total Proje \$10,000.0		
	&A is less than 5% of OOG Fu	inds Equipment List (AEL)				
POETE Grouping	gs ————					
Planning: \$0.00	Organization: \$0.00	Equipment: \$0.00	Training: \$0.00	Exercises: \$0.00	M & A: \$10,000.00	
Expand Solution	Area					
Expand Disciplin	<u>ies</u>					

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Public Safety Office NSGP – Budget Tab

For each line item of your budget you will need to:

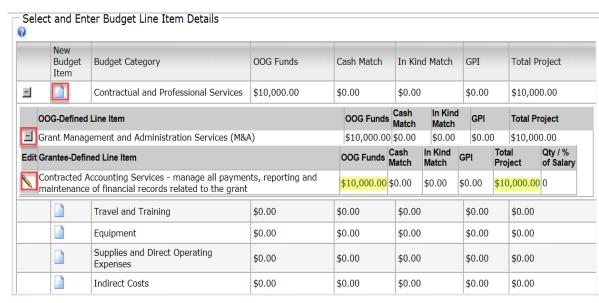
- Select a radio button for the most appropriate OOGdefined line item
- Provide a detailed description of the line item
- Enter the Total amount to be spent on that Item(s)
- List the units (a quantity is required for equipment)
- Click "Add New Budget Item" to save your entry



Select an OOG-Defined Budget Line Item within a Sub Category: 🔮 Equipment * 14CI-00-COOP System, Information Technology Contingency Operations Equipment * 14EX-00-BCAN Receptacles, Trash, Blast- Resistant Equipment * 14EX-00-BSIR Systems, Building, Blast/Shock/Impact Resistant Equipment * 14SW-01-ALRM Systems/Sensors, Alarm Select Line Equipment * 14SW-01-ASTN Network, Acoustic Sensor Triangulation Item Equipment * 14SW-01-DOOR Doors and Gates, Impact Resistant Equipment * 14SW-01-EXTM System, Fire Extinguisher Monitoring Equipment * 14SW-01-LITE Lighting, Area, Fixed Equipment * 14SW-01-LRHW Long Range Hailing and Warning Device Equipment * 14SW-01-PACS System, Physical Access Control Equipment * 14SW-01-SIDP Systems, Personnel Identification Equipment * 14SW-01-SIDV Systems, Vehicle Identification Equipment * 14SW-01-SNSR Sensors/Alarms, System and Infrastructure Monitoring, Standalone Equipment * 14SW-01-VIDA Systems, Video Assessment, Security Equipment * 14SW-01-WALL Barriers: Fences; Jersey Walls Equipment * 14SW-02-HSCN Equipment, Hull Scanning Equipment * 14SW-02-RADR Systems, Radar Equipment * 14SW-02-SONR Systems, Sonar Equipment * 14SW-02-VBAR Barriers, Vessel Equipment * 15IN-00-PLSN System, Pulsed Neutron Activation, Non-Invasive Equipment * 15IN-00-RADR Radar, Ground/Wall Penetrating Equipment * 15IN-00-XRAY System, Mobile Search & Inspection; X-Ray Equipment * 15SC-00-PMON Monitors, Portal Equipment * 15SC-00-PMSP Monitor, Portal, Spectroscopic Equipment * 15SC-00-PPSS Systems, Personnel/Package Screening Enter the Grantee-Defined Budget Line Item Description: New Gate to control access to the property Add detailed description Enter the OOG Funds Amount: 10000 Enter the Cash Match Amount: Add amount Enter the In Kind Match Amount: Enter the Generated Program Income (GPI) Amount (prior approval required): Add quantity Unit: 🗣 Click to Save

Public Safety Office NSGP – Budget Tab

- The "+" sign = Expand
- The folded paper icon = Add
- The pencil icon = Edit
- The system calculates the "Budget Summary Totals"
- There is a link to the FEMA AEL List under this tab







NSGP - Documents Tab

- Resolutions
- Contract compliance and monitoring

Fund Source Information and Requirements

Click here to view a sample resolution

Resolution from Governing Body

Applications from nonprofit corporations, local units of governments, and other political subdivisions must include a <u>resolution</u> that contains the following:

- Authorization by your governing body for the submission of the application to HSGD that clearly identifies the name of the project for which funding is requested;
- 2. A commitment to provide all applicable matching funds;
- A designation of the name and/or title of an authorized official who is given the authority to apply for, accept, reject, alter, or terminate a grant (Note: If a name is provided, you must update HSGD should the official change during the grant period.); and
- 4. A written assurance that, in the event of loss or misuse of grant funds, the governing body will return all funds to HSGD.

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Upon approval from your agency's governing body, upload the <u>approved</u> resolution to eGrants by clicking on the **Upload Files** sub-tab located in the **Summary** tab.

Contract Compliance

Will grant funds be used to support any contracts for professional services?

O Yes



For applicant agencies that selected **Yes** above, describe how you will monitor the activities of the sub-contractor(s) for compliance with the contract provisions (including equipment purchases), deliverables, and all applicable statutes, rules, regulations, and guidelines governing this project.

Enter a description for monitoring contract compliance:



Lobbying

For applicant agencies requesting grant funds in excess of \$100,000, have any federally appropriated funds been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a member of Congress in connection with the awarding of any federal contract, the making of any federal grant, the making of any federal loan, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any federal contract, grant loan, or cooperative agreement?

Note: Pursuant to Texas Government Code §556.005, a political subdivision or private entity that receives state funds may not use



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- Lobbying
- Fiscal Year
- Federal or State Funds
- Sources of Financial Support

Lobbying

For applicant agencies requesting grant funds in excess of \$100,000, have any federally appropriated funds been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a member of Congress in connection with the awarding of any federal contract, the making of any federal loan, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any federal contract, grant loan, or cooperative agreement?

Note: Pursuant to Texas Government Code §556.005, a political subdivision or private entity that receives state funds may not use the funds to pay a person required to register as a lobbyist or for lobbying expenses. A political subdivision or private entity that violates this provision is not eligible to receive additional state funds.



For applicant agencies that selected either **No** or **N/A** above, have any non-federal funds been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress in connection with this federal contract, loan, or cooperative agreement?



Fiscal Year

Provide the begin and end date for the applicant agency's fiscal year (e.g., 09/01/20xx to 08/31/20xx).

Enter the Begin Date [mm/dd/yyyy]:

Enter the End Date [mm/dd/yyyy]:

Sources of Financial Support

Each applicant must provide the amount of grant funds expended during the most recently completed fiscal year for the following sources:

Enter the amount (\$) of Federal Grant Funds:

Enter the amount (\$) of State Grant Funds:





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Single Audit Compliance

Single Audit

Applicants who expend less than \$750,000 in federal grant funding or less than \$750,000 in state grant funding are exempt from the Single Audit Act and cannot charge audit costs to a PSO grant. However, PSO may require a limited scope audit as defined in 2 CFR Part 200, Subpart F - Audit Requirements.

Has the applicant agency expended federal grant funding of \$750,000 or more, or state grant funding of \$750,000 or more during the most recently completed fiscal year?

Select the appropriate response:



Applicant agencies that selected **Yes** above, provide the date of your organization's last annual single audit, performed by an independent auditor in accordance with the State of Texas Single Audit Circular; or CFR Part 200, Subpart F - Audit Requirements.

Enter the date of your last annual single audit:





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- **Debarment Certification**
- **FFATA Certifications**



Debarment

Each applicant agency will certify that it and its principals (as defined in 2 CFR Part 180.995):

- Are not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, sentenced to a denial of Federal benefits by a State or Federal Court, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction by any federal department or agency;
- Have not within a three-year period preceding this application been convicted of or had a civil judgment rendered against them for commission of fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a public (federal, state, or local) transaction or contract under a public transaction; violation of federal or state antitrust statutes or commission of
- embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, making false statements, or receiving stolen property; or · Are not presently indicted for or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a governmental entity (federal, state, or local) with commission of any of the offenses enumerated in the above bullet; and have not within a three-year period preceding this application had one or more public transactions (federal, state, or local) terminated for cause or default.





Ounable to Certify

If you selected **Unable to Certify** above, please provide an explanation as to why the applicant agency cannot certify the statements.

Enter the debarment justification:



FFATA Certification

Certification of Recipient Highly Compensated Officers - The Federal Funding Accountability and Transparency Act (FFATA) requires Prime Recipients (HSGD) to report the names and total compensation of each of the five most highly compensated officers (a.k.a. positions) of each sub recipient organization for the most recently completed fiscal year preceding the year in which the grant is awarded if the subrecipient answers YES to the FIRST statement but NO to the SECOND statement listed below.

In the sub recipient's preceding completed fiscal year, did the sub recipient receive: (1) 80 percent or more of its annual gross revenue from Federal contracts (and subcontracts), loans, grants (and subgrants) and cooperative agreements; AND (2) \$25,000,000 or more in annual gross revenue from Federal contracts (and subcontracts), loans, grants (and subgrants) and cooperative agreements?





Does the public have access to information about the compensation of the senior executives through periodic reports filed under Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (15 U.S.C. 78m(a), 78o(d)) or Section 6104 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986?







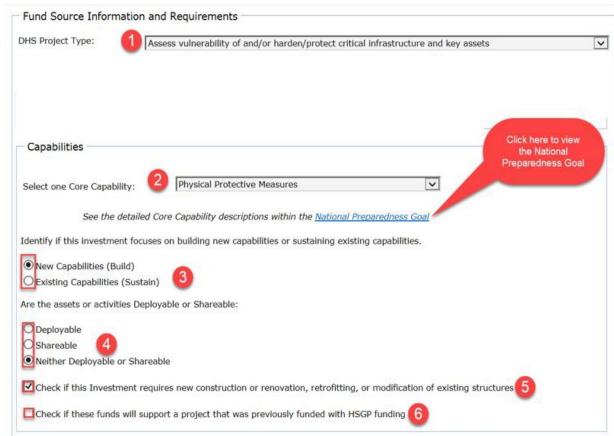
If you answered YES to the FIRST statement and NO to the SECOND statement, please provide the name and total compensation amount of each of the five most highly compensated officers (a.k.a. positions) within your agency for the current calendar year. If you answered NO to the first statement you are NOT required to provide the name and compensation amounts. NOTE: "Total compensation" means the complete pay package of each of the sub recipient's compensated officers, including all forms of money, benefits, services, and in-kind payments (see SEC Regulations: 17 CCR 229.402).





NSGP - Homeland Security Tab

- Select this DHS Project
 Type and Core Capability
 as shown
- Indicate whether project Builds or Sustains Capabilities
- Indicate if capabilities are Deployable or Shareable
- Check box to indicate Construction/Renovation is involved
- (6) Do not check this box





Public Safety Office NSGP – Homeland Security Tab

Select best choice for Project management step

Project Management Step Involved: Check the step that most closely resembles the phase of the project activities to be completed during the grant period. Select Steps Description Process Involves preparing for, assembling resources and getting work The authorization to begin work or resume work on Initiate started. May apply to any level, e.g. program, project, phase, any particular activity. activity, task. The purpose of establishing, at an early date, the Involves working out and extending the theoretical, practical, parameters of the project that is going to be worked and/or useful application of an idea, concept, or preliminary Plan on as well as to try to delineate any specifics and/or design. This also involves a plan for moving a project concept to any peculiarities to the project as a whole and/or any a viable project. specific phases of the project. The period within the project lifecycle during which the Involves directing, accomplishing, managing, and completing all ✓ actual work of creating the project's deliverables is Execute phases and aspects of work for a given project. carried out. A mechanism w hich reacts to the current project Involves exercising corrective action as necessary to yeild a status in order to ensure accomplishment of project required outcome consequent upon monitoring performance. Or, the process of comparing actual performance with planned Control objectives. This involves planning, measuring, monitoring, and taking corrective action based on the performance, analyzing variances, evaluating possible results of the monitoring. alternatives, and taking appropriate corrective action as needed. Involves formally terminating and concluding all tasks, activities, The completion of all work on a project. Can also refer Close Out and component parts of a particular project, or phase of a to completion of a phase of the project. project.



Public Safety Office NSGP – Homeland Security Tab

Provide at least 3-5 milestones*

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Special Instructions Related to Project Milestones

Provide a description and associated key activities that lead to the milestone event over the period of performance. Start dates should be included within the milestone description and should reflect the start of the associated key activities and end dates should reflect when the milestone event will occur. Applicants should provide at least 3-5 milestones, but no more than 10 milestones.

Milestone Format Examples

Prepare and Submit EHP Screening Form – Start: 10-1-2017 Research, Select and Hire Contract Trainer – Start: 12-1-2017

Milestones should occur throughout the project.

Enter dates as MM-DD-YYYY

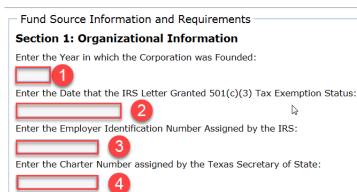
Milestone	Completion Date	Edit	Delete
Prepare and Submit EHP Screening Form - Start: 10-1-2018	03-31-2019	\	<u>Delete</u>
Schedule Training - Start: 2-1-2019	05-31-2019	\	<u>Delete</u>
Hold Training Event	12-31-2019	N	<u>Delete</u>
Procure and Install Equipment - Start: 4/1/2019	02-28-2020	N	<u>Delete</u>

Create New Milestone		
Milestone: Type Text Here	Completion Date:	
Add Milestone Cancel		



Public Safety Office NSGP – Fiscal Capability Tab

- Year your organization was founded
- 501(c)(3) date
- Federal EIN (number)
- Charter number
- Accounting system



Section 2: Accounting System

The grantee organization must incorporate an accounting system that will track direct and indirect costs for the organization (general ledger) as well as direct and indirect costs by project (project ledger). The grantee must establish a time and effort system to track personnel costs by project. This should be reported on an hourly basis, or in increments of an hour.

Is there a list of your organization's accounts identified by a specific number (i.e., a general ledger of accounts).

Select the appropriate response:





Does the accounting system include a project ledger to record expenditures for each Program by required budget cost categories? Select the appropriate response:





Is there a timekeeping system that allows for grant personnel to identify activity and requires signatures by the employee and his or her supervisor?

Select the appropriate response:







Public Safety Office NSGP - Fiscal Capability Tab

- Financial Capability
- **Budgetary Controls**





Section 3: Financial Capability

Grant agencies should prepare annual financial statements. At a minimum, current internal balance sheet and income statements are required. A balance sheet is a statement of financial position for a grant agency disclosing assets, liabilities, and retained earnings at a given point in time. An income statement is a summary of revenue and expenses for a grant agency during a fiscal year.

Has the grant agency undergone an independent audit?

Select the appropriate response:





Does the organization prepare financial statements at least annually?

Select the appropriate response:





According to the organization's most recent Audit or Balance Sheet, are the current total assets greater than the liabilities? Select the appropriate response:





If you selected 'No' to any question above under the Financial Capability section, in the space provided below explain what action will be taken to ensure accountability.

Enter your explanation:

Section 4: Budgetary Controls

Grant agencies should establish a system to track expenditures against budget and / or funded amounts.

Are there budgetary controls in effect (e.g., comparison of budget with actual expenditures on a monthly basis) to include drawing down grant funds in excess of:

a) Total funds authorized on the Statement of Grant Award?



b) Total funds available for any budget category as stipulated on the Statement of Grant Award?

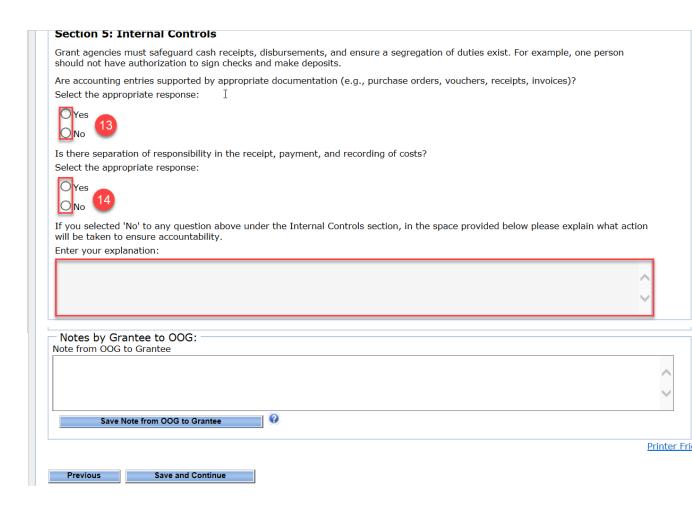




Public Safety Office NSGP – Fiscal Capability Tab

Internal Controls







Public Safety Office NSGP – Summary – Grant Issues Tab

- Application Errors
- Required Entries
- Invalid Entries



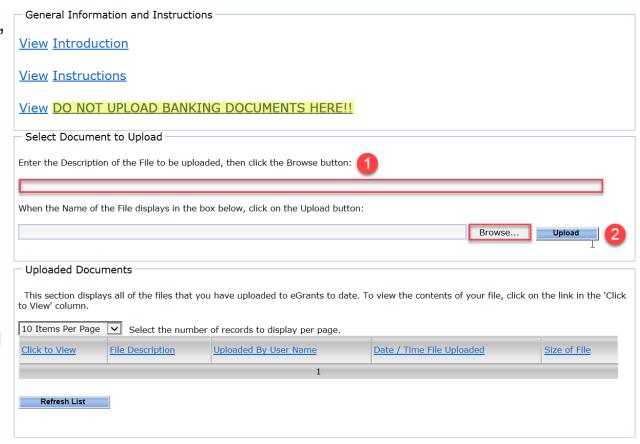
Item(s) that Need to be Revolved	Tab Name
Required: The designation of one or more of the following grant officials: Authorized Official, Financial Officer, and/or Project Director .	<u>Profile</u>
Invalid: The Authorized Official, Financial Officer , and the Project Director must be separate persons when named as a grant official for this project. For more information please reference 1 TAC, §3.2501.	<u>Profile</u>
Required: Data Universal Numbering System (DUNS) is a required field. You must enter the DUNS number assigned to your agency.	GrantVend
Required: The System for Award Management (SAM) Expiration Date is blank.	GrantVend
Required: The Direct Deposit form must be uploaded before you can submit your application.	GrantVend
Required: The W9 form must be uploaded before you can submit your application.	GrantVend
Required: The New Payee ID form must be uploaded before you can submit your application.	GrantVend
Required: Information regarding the year founded.	Fiscal Capability
Required: Information regarding the IRS Date.	Fiscal Capability
Required: Information regarding the IRS assigned number.	Fiscal Capability
Required: Information regarding the charter number.	Fiscal Canability



Public Safety Office NSGP – Upload Files Tab

 Upload your Resolution, Investment Justification (IJ), Risk Assessment and Mission Statement here by established deadline

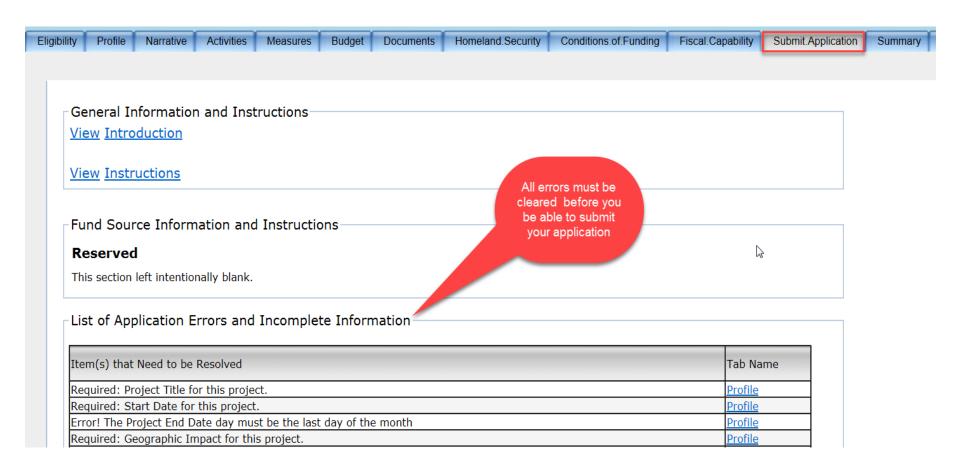
*Do NOT upload financial documents here





Public Safety Office NSGP – Submit Application Tab

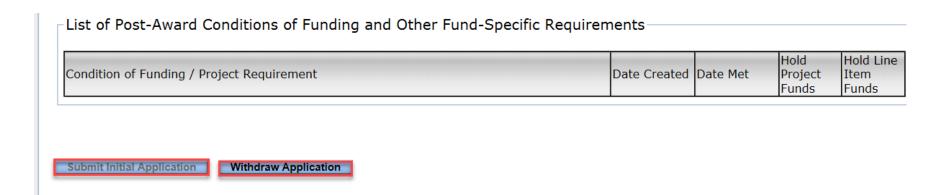
Resolve any application errors





Public Safety Office NSGP – Submit Application Tab

- Application Submission is a two-step process:
 - 1. Submit your application
 - 2. Certify your application
- Only the Authorized Official can certify the application





Public Safety Office NSGP – Submit Application Tab

Applications will not be considered if:

- You did not submit and certify a complete application in eGrants by the HSGD deadline
- You do not clearly state a terrorism risk
- You do not complete and upload the following by the HSGD deadline:
 - Mission statement
 - Vulnerability assessment
 - Required FEMA IJ document

The SAA will begin reviewing documentation upon receipt and initiate the administrative processes required by FEMA to prepare the Federal application immediately after the SAA (State) deadline.







Investment Justification (IJ)

DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY Federal Emergency Management Agency

NONPROFIT SECURITY GRANT PROGRAM INVESTMENT JUSTIFICATION

OMB Control No.: 1660-0156

Expiration Date: 08-31-2023

As part of the Nonprofit Security Grant Program (NSGP) application, eligible 501(c)(3) organizations must develop a formal Investment Justification (IJ) that addresses each initiative proposed for funding. These IJs must demonstrate how proposed projects address gaps and deficiencies in current programs and capabilities. Additionally, the IJ must demonstrate the ability to provide enhancements consistent with the purpose of the program and guidance provided by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA). Nonprofit subapplicants must ensure that the IJ is consistent with all applicable requirements outlined below. Each IJ must be for one facility/location.

FEMA has developed guidelines that establish the required IJ content and helps ensure that submissions are organized in a consistent manner while addressing key data requirements. This form (Office of Management and [OMB] Number: 1660-011/FEMA Form Number: 089-25) may be used by nonprofit subapplicants to complete and submit their IJ. Failure to address these data elements in the prescribed format could potentially result in the rejection of the IJ from review consideration.

Nonprofit subapplicants must use the following naming convention when submitting required documents for the NSGP-UA: "FY2023_NSGP_UA_<State Abbreviation>_<Urban Area>_<Nonprofit Name>; and NSGP-S: "FY2023_NSGP_S_<StateAbbreviation>_<Nonprofit Name>".

Applications should be submitted by the nonprofit organization to the State Administrative Agency (SAA) as a completed fillable Adobe file. Scanned copies will not be accepted. Nonprofit subapplicants should contact their respective SAA to get information on the application deadline and other SAA requirements. If an extension to the deadline is required, nonprofit organizations must consult with their respective SAA.



Investment Justification (IJ)

- The Investment Justification (IJ) is a fillable template provided and required by FEMA that asks nonprofits to describe the organization, the organization's risks/threats, and proposed projects/activities to mitigate security deficiencies (as identified in the vulnerability assessment) utilizing NSGP funding.
- Nonprofit organizations must fully answer each question in all the sections of the IJ(s) for the form to be considered complete. Nonprofit organizations should summarize the most critically important, impactful, and salient information in the IJ.
- Reminder: Nonprofit organizations may submit up to three (3)
 Investment Justifications with one (1) unique Investment Justification
 form and required documents for each unique physical
 location/address. Each Investment Justification can request up to
 \$150,000 per location for a total of \$450,000 across three unique
 physical locations/addresses.



Investment Justification (IJ)

- The Investment Justification (IJ) Template is released by FEMA with the FY 2023 NSGP Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO)
- HSGD will email all applicants that have created an application in eGrants the FY 2023 IJ template. HSGD will run a report daily to identify new applicants.
- The IJ template, risk assessment, and mission statement must be uploaded to eGrants no later 5:00pm CST on the date of the state deadline. This is projected to be at least 10 calendar days after the release of the NOFO.
- Applications received or incomplete after the deadline will not be considered for funding.



Investment Justification (IJ) – FEMA IJ Scoring

- Applicant responses will receive a score based on how well the required information is addressed.
- Each section of the IJ is scored independently with a possible score total of 40.
- FEMA will award 15 bonus points for those who have not previously received an award.
- FEMA will add additional points to the scores of organizations that are located in historically underserved or disadvantaged communities.*
- For more information on the scoring and selection process, review the FY 2023 NSGP NOFO.



Investment Justification (IJ) – Section 1-Applicant Information (Administrative)

Section I – Applicant Information

- Legal Name of the Organization/Physical Address of the Facility/County
- Year the Original Facility was Constructed
- Owning vs. Leasing/Renting and Permission to Make Enhancements
- Year the Organization Began Operating from the Facility
- Other Organizations in Facility
- Mission Statement Summary
- Membership/Population Served
- Organization Type
- Organization's Affiliation
- 501(c)(3) Tax-Exempt Designation
- UEI obtained via the System for Award Management
- Funding Stream
- Designated high-risk urban area (if applicable)
- Federal Funding Request (total estimated cost of projects/activities)
- Investment Phase (new or continuation)



Investment Justification (IJ) – Section 1-Applicant Information (Administrative)

PART I. NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION SUBAPPLICANT INFORMATION						
Identify the following:						
LEGAL NAME OF THE ORGANIZATION						
Please list the physical address of the facility.	STREET					
One investment justification per facility.	CITY	STATE	ZIP CODE	COUNTY		
Please enter the year the facility listed above was constructed:						
Is the building owned, or are you leasing/renting?		If leasing or renting, do you have the owner's permission to make the proposed security enhancements? Yes No				
What year did you begin operating in/from this facility/building?						



Investment Justification (IJ) – Section 1-Applicant Information (Administrative)



Investment Justification (IJ) – Section 1-Applicant Information (Administrative)

Nonprofit organizations should select the appropriate organization affiliation

Please select the organization's primary affiliation:	<u> </u>				
If "Other," please describe affiliation. Jewish Christian					
Hindu Islamic Sikh Buddhist Unaffiliated/None Other					
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. More information on tax-exempt organizations can be found at: https://www.irs.gov/charities-non-profits/charitable-organizations .					
Is the organization eligible under the IRC to receive NSGP funds? Yes No					
Does the organization have a Unique Entity ID (<u>UEI</u>) Number? Yes No					
If "Yes," please enter the UEI Number for the organization:					
Applications can only be submitted with a current and valid UEI number; pending UEI numbers will not be accepted.					
Are you physically located in a current Urban Area Security Initiative designated urban area? Yes No					
If "Yes," select the designated urban area from the list					



Investment Justification (IJ) – Section 2-Background Information (5 out of 40 Points) 500 character limit

PART II. BACKGROUND INFORMATION (5 POSSIBLE POINTS OUT OF 40)

Please describe (if applicable) this location's symbolic value as a highly recognized national or historic institution/landmark that renders the site as a possible target of terrorism.

Please select (if applicable) the current, ongoing, or recent (last 3 years) event(s) in which your organization has been involved in prevention, protection, response, and/or recovery:

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Please describe the organization's role in prevention, protection, response, and/or recovery, specifically highlighting the efforts that demonstrate integration of nonprofit preparedness with broader state and local preparedness efforts.



Investment Justification (IJ) – Section 3-Risk (15 out of 40 Points) 2,200 character limit

- Narrative responses for the following:
 - Threat: Describe the identification and substantiation of specific threats, incidents, or attacks against the nonprofit organization or a closely related organization, network, or cell (examples include police report, insurance claim, internet threats, etc.).
 - Vulnerability: Describe your organization's susceptibility to destruction, incapacitation, or exploitation by a terrorist attack or other extremist attack.
 - Consequence: Describe potential negative effects/impacts on your organization's assets, systems, and/or function if disrupted, damaged, or destroyed due to a terrorist attack extremist attack.



Investment Justification (IJ) – Section 3-Risk (15 out of 40 Points)

Fiscal Year (FY) 2023 Nonprofit Security Grant Program (NSGP) Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) – Information for Nonprofit Organizations:

Question 9: What are ways a nonprofit organization can demonstrate that it has a high risk of a terrorist attack?

Ways an organization can demonstrate that it is at high risk of a terrorist attack include but are not limited to:

- Describe any incidents that have occurred at the facility.
- Describe any threats (e.g. verbal threats, vandalization) made against the organization.
- Describe current events with specific attention to incidents impacting organizations that have been targeted due to a similar mission, belief, or ideology.
- Contact organizations/agencies that can provide information on the current threat environment, such as local law enforcement agencies, local emergency management offices, Federal Bureau of Investigation Field Offices, or Regional Protective Security Advisors. To reach a Protective Security Advisor, email Central@cisa.gov.



Investment Justification (IJ) – Section 4-Facility Hardening (9 out of 40 Points) 2,200 character limit

- Section IV-A is a single narrative response that should:
 - Describe how the proposed projects/activities will harden (make safer/more secure) the facility and/or mitigate the identified risk(s) and/or vulnerabilities <u>based on the vulnerability assessment</u>
 - Describe how the proposed target hardening focuses on the prevention of and/or protection against the risk/threat of a terrorist attack.
 - Confirm that the proposed projects are allowable in accordance with the priorities of the NSGP (Funding Notice, PGM).
 - Confirm that the proposed projects are feasible (meaning there is a reasonable expectation based on predicable planning assumptions to complete all tasks, projects and/or activities within the subaward period of performance) and proposed milestones under the NSGP.



Investment Justification (IJ) – Section 4-Facility Hardening (9 out of 40 Points)

All proposed target hardening activities and associated costs should be explicitly outlined to include thorough detail, costs justification, and link to the vulnerability assessment established.

Example 1:

 Fencing: 240 feet of 8-foot chain-length fencing topped with 1 foot of barbed wire, to address vulnerability to breaching along the west side of the facility.

240 feet x \$208.33 per foot = \$50,000

Example 2:

• \$5,000 for 8 exterior cameras, 3 located on lighting poles in the parking lot, 1 adjacent to the main entrance to the facility, and 1 on each corner of the building (4 corners), to address inability to monitor the exterior of our facility and identify suspicious activity.

8 cameras x \$625 = \$5,000

Note: Contracted Security Personnel costs, planning, training, and exercise costs should also be outlined in great detail, justified, and linked to the vulnerability assessment, similar to the examples above.



Investment Justification (IJ) – Section 4-Facility Hardening (9 out of 40 Points)

- Section IV-B lists proposed budget items, associated vulnerability and estimated funding
- The form provides a drop-down menu of allowable AEL codes/items

Section IV-B: In this section, list all proposed facility hardening equipment, projects, or activities as allowable per the Authorized Equipment List (AEL), NSGP Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO), and Preparedness Grants Manual (PGM). Select the AEL number and title, list the vulnerability the equipment/project/activity addresses, and enter the estimated funding requested (round up to the nearest dollar).

AEL NUMBER & TITLE – EQUIPMENT, PROJECT, OR ACTIVITY	VULNERABILITY TO BE ADDRESSED	ESTIMATED FUNDING REQUESTED (Round to nearest dollar)
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Investment Justification (IJ) – Section 5-Milestones (5 out of 40 Points)

- Describe any key activities that will lead to milestones in the program/project and grants management over the course of the NSGP grant award period of performance.
- The IJ template will allow up to 10 Milestones

Provide descriptions and associated key activities that lead to the milestone event over the NSGP period of performance. Start dates should reflect the start of the associated key activities and end dates should reflect when the milestone event will occur. Milestones should reflect considerations to Environmental Planning and Historic Preservation reviews when applicable. (10 milestones maximum) KEY ACTIVITIES & CORRESPONDING MILESTONES START DATE COMPLETION DATE



Investment Justification (IJ) – Section 6-Project Management (2 out of 40 Points) 1,000 character limit

- Narrative responses for the following:
 - Describe the proposed management team's roles, responsibilities, and governance structure to support the implementation of the projects/activities.
 - Assess the project management plan/approach.

PART VI. PROJECT MANAGEMENT (2 POSSIBLE POINTS OUT OF 40)			
Who will manage the project? Include the name, phone number, email address, and experience of the project manager(s).			

Please assess your project management plan/approach. Assessment could include challenges to the effective implementation of this project and the coordination of the project with State and local homeland security partners.



Investment Justification (IJ) – Section 7-Impact (4 out of 40 Points) 2,200 character limit

- Single narrative response that should:
 - Describe the outcome and outputs of the proposed projects/activities that will indicate that the investment was successful.

PART VII. IMPACT (4 POSSIBLE POINTS OUT OF 40)

Please describe the measurable outputs and outcomes that will indicate that this Investment is successful at the end of the period of performance.



Investment Justification (IJ) – Funding History

 Nonprofit organizations that that have never received a NSGP award will have 15 points added to their score. FEMA will add these points to their scoring during the federal review process.

FUNDING HISTORY			
If the nonprofit organization has received NSGP funding in the past, provide the funding amount, funding year, and the investment type.			
Has the organization received federal NSGP funding in the past? Yes No			
NOTE: Please only include federal NSGP funding. If the organization has received state-funded NSGP awards, or any other federal awards, please do NOT include those here.			
Please select the MOST RECENT fiscal year in which the nonprofit received federal NSGP funding:	•		
If "Yes," please list the year(s), amount(s), and Project(s)/Investment(s). (Example: FY20 / \$150K / CLighting.)	2007 2008 2009 2010 2011 2012 2013 2014 2015		



Investment Justification (IJ) – Nonprofit Subapplicant Contact Information

 Nonprofit organizations should provide the information for the individual that will be the primary point of contact for the application/project.

NONPROFIT SUBAPPLICANT CONTACT INFORMATION					
This application was written by:			~		
By clicking this box, I certify that I am an employee or affiliated volunteer on behalf of the nonprofit organization or have been hired by the nonprofit organization to apply on their behalf for the Nonprofit Security Grant Program.					
FULL NAME		POSITION/TITLE			
EMAIL		WORK PHONE			



Investment Justification (IJ) – Additional Information and Tips

- The IJ is a fillable PDF file. Organizations will need to have <u>Adobe Reader</u> in order to complete the form.
- It is recommended to make sure your organization has reliable access to the internet and a computer capable of running Adobe Reader.
- The IJ for the FY 2023 NSGP will not be available until the NOFO is released. The SAA will send the template to all organizations with an application initiated in eGrants. The template will also be posted on the eGrants website on the Updates page: eGrants - Grant Resources (texas.gov)
- Organizations can begin drafting their IJs in Word or a comparable application before completing the PDF template. This will allow organizations to prepare and review their planned submission in advance.



Investment Justification (IJ) – Additional Information and Tips

FEMA Application Key Takeaways

- Duplicative applications: If you hire a grant writer, review their work. Limit copy and pasting between IJs if applying for multiple locations.
- Administratively incomplete/insufficient: The FEMA-provided IJ must be submitted. Any incomplete packages will not be reviewed by FEMA.
- Unallowable/out of scope expenditures: Ensure that all requested expenditures align with the program rules and objectives.
- Organizations applying on behalf of ineligible entities: Nonprofits may not act as a pass through for a government or for-profit entity.

- FEMA UEI guidance update on next slide
- Threats/Risks/Vulnerability: Nonprofits must tie the threats and risks to existing physical vulnerabilities. All must tie to terrorism.
- Direct hiring of law enforcement/public safety officials:

 Contract security CANNOT be sole sourced.
- Misaligned or unrealistic narratives, timelines, projects/activities: The IJ content and award goals should be logical, reasonable, and feasible.



Investment Justification (IJ) – Additional Information and Tips

FY 2023 NSGP Updates (as of January 31, 2023)

SAAs must confirm that nonprofits have a valid UEI before issuing a subaward. FEMA will accept IJs without a UEI and will make awards to SAAs, but the SAA is prohibited from making a subaward to an organization without a valid UEI.

3 IJs must be submitted in the correct format (i.e., electronic PDF completed in the Adobe program). Troubleshooting information will be provided by FEMA.

Bonus point structure is remaining the same.

5% of awards made to SAAs is retained by the SAA for M&A costs.



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Resources for Nonprofit Organizations

- Preparedness Grants Manual: <u>Preparedness Grants Manual</u> (See Appendix C for NSGP-specific information) and FEMA Grants Guidance and Tools page on FEMA.gov: <u>Guidance and Tools | FEMA.gov</u>
- Grants Preparedness Webinar: Preparedness Webinars
- Faith-Based Organization Security Resources: <u>Faith Based Organizations</u> and Houses of Worship
- Mitigating Attacks on Houses of Worship: <u>Mitigating Attacks on Houses of Worship Security Guide</u>
- House of Worship Self-Assessment: <u>Houses of Worship Security Self-Assessment User Guide</u> <u>Assessment and Houses of Worship Security Self-Assessment User Guide</u> <u>and Survey</u>
- NSGP Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) <u>Nonprofit Security Grant Program | FEMA.gov</u>
- Nonprofit Security Grant Program Subapplicant Quick Start Guide | FEMA.gov



Assistance Contact Information

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 - Program related questions
 - Application Assistance

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