

Notice for Funding Opportunity (NOFO) Summary Information

	Data Field	
1	Awarding Agency Name:	Illinois Emergency Management Agency & Office of Homeland Security (IEMA-OHS)
2	Agency Program Contact:	Tammy Porter (217) 557-4831 Tammy.D.Porter@illinois.gov
3	Announcement Type:	Initial announcement X Modification of a previous announcement
4.	Type of Assistance Instrument:	Grant
5.	Funding Opportunity Number:	
6.	Funding Opportunity Title:	Illinois Not-for-Profit Security Grant Program (NSGP-IL)
7.	CSFA Number:	588-40-3019
8.	CSFA Popular Name:	Illinois Not-for-Profit Security Grant Program (NSGP-IL)
9.	CFDA Number(s):	
10.	Anticipated Number of Awards:	Unknown
11.	Estimated Total Program Funding:	\$20 million made available in SFY 25
12.	Award Range:	Minimum - None; Maximum - \$150,000 per application- up to three sites with a maximum of \$450,000 per organization
13.	Source of Funding:	Federal or Federal pass-through X State ☐ Private / other funding Mark all that apply
14.	Cost Sharing or Matching Requirement:	No
15.	Indirect Costs Allowed	Yes
16.	Posted Date:	Date agency posted the NOFO to grants.illinois.gov
17.	Closing Date for Applications:	IEMA-OHS Application Form and other required forms must be submitted to IEMA-OHS by the grant application deadline which is August 1, 2025 @ 5:00 p.m. CDT
18.	Technical Assistance Session:	Session Offered: Yes Session Mandatory: n/a

Notice of Funding Opportunity

Illinois Not-for-Profit Security Grant Program (NSGP-IL)

<https://iemaohs.illinois.gov/hs/hsac/nsgp-il.html>

Application Period: March 28, 2025, through August 1, 2025

A. Program Description

1. Notice of Funding Opportunity Intent

The Illinois Emergency Management Agency & Office of Homeland Security (Agency) is issuing this Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) to make funding available through grants to eligible not-for-profit organizations to assist the organization in preventing, preparing for, or responding to threats, attacks, or acts of terrorism.

The organizations selected for an NSGP-IL grant must comply with the criteria and requirements of this NOFO, Section 5(g-5) of the Illinois Emergency Management Agency Act (IEMA Act), 20 ILCS 3305, 29 Illinois Administrative Code 120, 44 Illinois Administrative Code 7000, and 44 Illinois Administrative Code 7030. Links to these documents can be found on the NSGP-IL website <https://iemaohs.illinois.gov/hs/hsac/nsgp-il.html>.

2. Objectives

NSGP-IL seeks to integrate the preparedness activities of not-for-profit organizations with broader federal, state, and local preparedness efforts.

To accomplish the goal of supporting not-for-profit organizations and integrating preparedness activities with federal, state, and local preparedness efforts, funding will be provided for trainings such as active shooter and security training, the purchase and installation of security equipment on real property (including buildings and improvements) owned or leased by the not-for-profit organization, and all eligible preparedness activities under the federal Nonprofit Security Grant program.

3. Training and Information Opportunities

All training and information opportunities will be announced on the Agency's website at <https://iemaohs.illinois.gov/hs/hsac/nsgp-il.html>. In addition, notifications of all opportunities will be sent to legislative offices and those already participating in the Not-for-profit Security Grant Program.

4. State Awarding Agency Contact

For questions concerning the Not-for-profit Security Grant Program and this NOFO, please contact Tammy Porter at:

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B. Funding Information

- 1. Funding Availability.** This grant program will utilize State of Illinois general revenue funds appropriated by the Illinois General Assembly. Applications for the NSGP-IL grant program will only be accepted during the period set forth in this NOFO. **The release of this NOFO does not obligate IEMA-OHS to make an award.**
- 2. Funding Amount.** The total amount of funding available through this NOFO is \$20 million. Applicants with one site may apply for up to \$150,000 for that site. Applicants with multiple sites may apply for up to \$150,000 per site, for up to three sites, for a maximum of \$450,000 per organization. If an applicant applies for projects at multiple sites, regardless of whether the projects are similar in nature, each site must have its own application and include an assessment of the vulnerability and risk unique to each site. Failure to do so may be cause for rejection of the application.
- 3. Performance Period.** Anticipated award date for grants is September 15, 2025. The period of performance is 36 months and expected to be October 1, 2025, through September 30, 2028.
- 4. Reporting.** Grantees will be required to report quarterly expenditure of funds related to the security enhancements and projects must be fully completed during the three-year performance period of the grant.
- 5. Allowable Costs.**
 - a) Management and Administration Costs. The applicant may request up to 5% of the total grant award for management and administration costs. Such management and administration costs shall be included in the requested grant award amount, rather than in addition to the requested amount.

AGENCY NOTE: The amount of funding granted for management and administration costs will be adjusted according to the actual amount spent during the grant performance period. For example, an applicant requests 5% of the total grant award for management and administrative costs and \$150,000 is awarded. The grantee spends only \$100,000 of the grant award. The grantee will receive only \$5,000 in management and administration costs, not the original \$7,500 anticipated.

- b) Indirect Costs. The applicant may request indirect costs consistent with 44 Ill. Adm. Code 7000. The indirect costs shall be included in the requested grant award amount, rather than in addition to the requested amount.

C. Eligibility Information

1. All eligibility and project requirements in 29 Ill. Adm. Code 120.20 apply to this grant opportunity.
2. Pursuant to Section 5(g-5) of the IEMA Act, only not-for-profit organizations which are exempt from federal income taxation under Section 501(c)(3) of the federal Internal Revenue Code that are at high risk of a threat, attack, or acts of terrorism are eligible for this grant. The Agency shall not award grants to those entities whose primary purpose is to provide medical or mental health services. [20 ILCS 3305/17.8]
3. The not-for profit must submit documentation with the application as evidence that it is exempt from federal income taxation under Section 501(c)(3).
4. The not-for-profit organization must provide specific and concise information in the application to demonstrate it is at high risk of threats, attacks, or acts of terrorism based on the organization's profile, ideology, mission, or beliefs.

"High risk" means that there is an elevated or extreme probability that the organization will encounter threats, attacks, or acts of terrorism due to their profile, ideology, mission, or beliefs and failure to take adequate security measures will result in the increased odds of injury to the public, loss of life, or destruction to property.

In consultation with other State partners and based on the information provided by the applicant and other sources of information obtained through the federal and State Office of Homeland Security, the Agency will make the determination whether the organization shall be considered high risk for purposes of this grant and, therefore, eligible for funding.

4. An organization must be registered in the Grant Accountability and Transparency Act (GATA) Grantee Portal, <https://grants.illinois.gov/portal/>, in order to accept a grant award.
5. Organizations on the Illinois Stop Payment List and/or the Federal Excluded Parties List at time of application submission must have the issues cleared prior to entering into a grant agreement. Funding will be delayed or denied if the issues have not been cleared.
6. The location of the project, as identified by the applicant during the application process, shall remain located in the State for a minimum of 5 years after the end of the grant performance period. Changes in location for equipment purchased with grant funding requires IEMA-OHS pre-approval and requires a new vulnerability assessment for a new location. Failure to receive pre-approval may result in denial of reimbursement and recovery of funds provided.
7. Eligible projects shall not duplicate, in part or in whole, a project included under any awarded federal grant or in a pending federal grant application in order to ensure that funds awarded under the program are used to supplement existing federal funds and not replace, i.e., supplant, funds appropriated for the same purpose.

Applicants may apply for project funding on the State application in the same AEL category as a federal application as long as the requested funds are a supplement to the federal funding. Applicants shall provide specific and distinguishable information about the project for the AEL category on the application in order for the Agency to approve the application.

8. Applicants should check SAM.gov (<https://sam.gov/content/exclusions>) for exclusions and prohibited uses to prevent entering into a prohibited transaction.

D. Application and Submission Information

1. Applicants shall submit grant applications as indicated in this NOFO and 29 Ill. Adm. Code 120. Incomplete or late applications will not be considered.
2. Applicants shall submit all information as indicated in 29 Ill. Adm. Code 120.30(c)(1)-(15). Failure to provide all required information may result in rejection of the application.

3. Applicants should confirm prior to submitting the application that compliance with the Illinois State Agency Historic Resources Preservation Act is not required. See 29 Ill. Adm. Code 120.30(d).
4. Applicants must fully register and obtain a UEI number via the System for Award Management. A UEI number is not required at the time of the application; it is only required prior to issuance of the grant award. If the Applicant does not have a UEI number currently, the Applicant should apply for the UEI number immediately in order to avoid a delay in issuance of the grant award.
5. Applicants should register for, update, or verify their SAM account is active prior to accepting a grant award.
6. Applicants must register for their Illinois.gov (GATA) account and address pre-qualifications prior to accepting a grant award.
7. Required information shall be submitted on a Uniform Grant Application in fillable PDF format. The application page must be printed, signed, and scanned, and included with submission.
8. Save the Application with the title as: NSGP_IL_2025_[NAME OF ORGANIZATION] prior to submitting it to IEMA-OHS via the required application acceptance email address
9. Applicants shall provide an IRS W-9 Form with the application.

E. Application Review Information

1. This is a competitive grant program. IEMA-OHS reserves the right to deny any grant application or to provide reduced funding to any grantee.
2. Grants will be awarded following a merit review by IEMA-OHS pursuant to GATA, GATA Rule and IEMA-OHS' GATA Rule.
3. In evaluating the applications, IEMA-OHS will consider the criteria listed below:
 - a. The high risk of the applicant's organization for threats, attacks, or acts of terrorism;
 - b. The necessity of the funding based on the vulnerability assessment provided by the applicant;

- c. The ability of the proposed project to enhance the safety of the organization;
 - d. Coordination with broader State and local preparedness as described by the agency in the NOFO;
 - e. Sustainability of the project, specifically including compliance with Section 120.20(c) and review of proposed eligible equipment interoperability with existing equipment (if applicable);
 - f. An evaluation of the likelihood of project completion during the grant performance period;
 - g. Demonstration of service to a disadvantaged community or population. The Council on Environmental Quality's Climate and Economic Justice Screening Tool (CEJST) may be used to identify these applicants using the address of their physical location; and
 - h. The availability of funding and whether applicants have received funding previously on the federal or State program.
4. Grant awards will be prioritized for applicants with the highest risk of threats, attacks, and acts of terrorism. Therefore, this criterion will be weighed most heavily during the merit review process.
5. In addition, prior to making an award, IEMA-OHS will review information available through any OMB-designated repositories of government-wide eligibility qualification or financial integrity information as required by law. Application evaluation criteria will include the following risk based considerations of the applicant: (1) financial stability; (2) quality of management systems and ability to meet management standards; (3) history of performance in managing federal award; (4) reports and findings from audits; and (5) ability to effectively implement statutory, regulatory, or other requirements.

F. Award Administration Information

1. State Award Notices.

- a. The Notice of State Award (NOSA) will specify the funding terms and specific conditions resulting from the pre-award risk assessments and the merit review process. The NOSA is not an authorization to begin performance or incur costs.

- b. Unsuccessful applicants will be notified.
 - c. All notices will be sent to the point of contact indicated in the application.
- 2. **Appeals.** Appeals for this grant program are allowed as indicated in 29 Ill. Adm. Code 120.40(l).
- 3. **Procurements.** Grantees will be required to adhere to methods of procurement per the Procurement Standards in 2 CFR 200.317-2 CFR 200.327.
- 4. **Grant Agreement.**
 - a. IEMA-OHS shall execute a grant agreement with each applicant to whom a grant is awarded. The grant agreement will specify the parties to the grant, the grant performance period, the amount of the grant, that unspent grant funds shall be returned to the State as required by the Illinois Grant Funds Recovery Act [30 ILCS 705], that the State of Illinois may audit records required to be maintained to verify that grant funds were used for permissible uses under the grant, and that the grant agreement shall cease if funds for the grant are not appropriated by the General Assembly, and any other standard provisions required to be included in grant agreements entered into by the State.
 - b. IEMA-OHS will send the grant agreement for signature to the point of contact indicated in the application. The grant agreement must be signed by both the grantee and IEMA-OHS prior to funding being disbursed.
- 5. **Budget.** Following execution of the grant agreement, a grantee shall submit a copy of documents that verify expenditures or anticipated expenditures to IEMA-OHS for review in accordance with the approved Project budget.
- 6. **Payments.** IEMA-OHS will disburse funding to grantees by the advance payment method, reimbursement method, or working capital advance method in accordance with 29 Ill. Adm. Code 120.50(d).
- 7. **Records Retention.** Grantees shall maintain documentation related to the grant funding in accordance with 29 Ill. Adm. Code 120.60(b).