

Office of Grants and Training

SHSP

State Homeland Security Program

STATE HOMELAND SECURITY PROGRAM OVERVIEW

The SHSP is a core homeland security assistance program that provides funds to build capabilities at the State and local levels through planning, equipment, training, and exercise activities and to implement the goals and objectives included in the State Homeland Security Strategies. SHSP funding also supports the four mission areas of homeland security—prevent, protect, respond, and recover—and addresses all of the National Priorities and the 37 Target Capabilities, as they relate to terrorism, critical infrastructure protection, cyber security, and citizen preparedness.

Program participants may use SHSP funding to achieve or enhance all of the 37 target capabilities, as long as they build on capabilities to prevent, protect against, respond to, and recover from acts of terrorism. SHSP funds may also be used for training citizens in awareness, prevention, protection, response, and recovery skills. SHSP award amounts are determined based on a risk and effectiveness-based approach. Each State develops an Investment Justification detailing the projects they wish to use SHSP funding to implement. Each proposed investment focuses on the National Priorities and the most urgent State/local priorities.

SUPPORT OF THE NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS GOAL AND ENHANCED REGIONAL COLLABORATION

SHSP directly supports the National Preparedness Goal and the Regional Collaboration National Priority, making a significant step forward in the development of regional approaches to planning and preparedness and meeting the needs identified through assessments and in the State Homeland Security Strategies.



SHSP funding remains primarily focused on enhancing abilities to prevent, protect against, respond to, or recover from CBRNE, agricultural, and cyber terrorism incidents. However, in light of several new planning priorities, which address such issues as pandemic influenza and the aftermath of Hurricanes Katrina and Rita, the allowable scope of SHSP activities include



catastrophic events, provided that these activities also build capabilities that relate to terrorism.

AUTHORIZED EQUIPMENT CATEGORIES

- Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)
- Explosive Device Mitigation and Remediation Equipment
- CBRNE Operational and Search and Rescue Equipment
- Information Technology
- CyberSecurity Enhancement Equipment
- Detection Equipment
- Decontamination Equipment
- Medical Supplies and Limited Types of Pharmaceuticals
- Power Equipment
- CBRNE Reference Materials
- CBRNE Incident Response Vehicles
- Terrorism Incident Prevention Equipment
- Physical Security Enhancement Equipment
- Inspection and Screening Systems
- Agricultural Terrorism Prevention, Response, and Mitigation Equipment
- CBRNE Prevention and Response Watercraft
- CBRNE Aviation Equipment
- CBRNE Logistical Support Equipment
- Intervention Equipment
- Other Authorized Equipment

ALLOCATION OF FUNDS

The intent of the grants is to establish a statewide and regional approach to homeland security. Therefore, the use and allocation of all grant funds available in FY 2006 must focus on the investments identified in the State Investment Justification and the implementation of the State Homeland Security Strategy. In

addition, the use of SHSP funds must also be consistent with and supportive of implementation of the State Program and Capability Enhancement Plan.

AUTHORIZED PROGRAM EXPENDITURES

SHSP funding may be used to support planning, equipment, training, exercise, personnel, and management and administration. FY 2006 SHSP funds may be used for a range of homeland security planning activities, such as developing and implementing public/private sector partnership emergency response, assessment, and resource sharing plans; citizen surge capacity; and local or regional communications plans. All equipment acquisitions must be made in accordance with the G&T Authorized Equipment List (AEL) which outlines the 21 allowable equipment categories. Direct services to States are available in the areas of training and exercise support. Technical assistance is also available to State and urban area jurisdictions upon request and provided free-of-charge in the areas of planning and equipment procurement and support.

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

For more information about the SHSP or other initiatives of the Office of Grants and Training (G&T), please contact the Centralized Scheduling and Information Desk (CSID) at 1-800-368-6498 or askcsid@dhs.gov.