



FEMA

Fiscal Year (FY) 2012 Port Security Grant Program (PSGP) Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

1. What is the purpose of the FY 2012 PSGP?

The purpose of the FY 2012 PSGP is to support increased port-wide risk management; enhanced domain awareness; training and exercises; expansion of port recovery and resiliency capabilities; and capabilities to prevent, detect, respond to, recover from, and mitigate attacks involving improvised explosive devices (IEDs) and other non-conventional weapons. The FY 2012 PSGP plays an important role in the implementation of Presidential Policy Directive 8 (PPD-8) by supporting the development and sustainment of core capabilities to fulfill the *National Preparedness Goal* (NPG).

2. How much funding is available under the FY 2012 PSGP?

The total amount of funds distributed under the FY 2012 PSGP will be \$97,500,000.

3. Who is eligible to apply for FY 2012 PSGP funds?

Seven port areas have been selected as Group I (highest risk), 48 port areas have been selected as Group II, and 35 port areas have been selected as Group III. Ports not identified in Group I, II, or III will compete for the funding identified for the "All Other Port Areas" Group. Ports that qualified under the "All Other Port Areas" category that are located within Group I, II, or III areas are allowed to receive grant funds from their geographically proximate higher group if the project has regional impact across the entire port area, but not from both funding groups for the same project.

4. How will the FY 2012 PSGP funds be allocated?

Each Group I, Group II, and Group III port area will compete for funding identified in their corresponding Group. All other port areas that are not located within one of the port areas in Groups I, II or III will compete for funding in the "All Other Port Areas" group. Applications will be reviewed at the field-level by the applicable U.S. Coast Guard Captain of the Port, and at the national level by subject matter experts from DHS and the Department of Transportation (DOT).

5. What are the key changes for FY 2012 PSGP?

- In order to ensure standardization across all grant programs and cooperative agreements issued by DHS, PSGP's Guidance was reformatted for consistency and renamed to Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA)
- Priorities for PSGP support the implementation of PPD-8 and the NPG. FY 2012 PSGP has been aligned to the five mission areas and supporting core capabilities within the NPG
- Reduces the period of performance for PSGP from 36 months to 24 months
- Removes the Semi-Annual Assistance Progress Report (SAPR) reporting requirement in lieu of the Standard Form-Performance Progress Report (SF-PPR) to report on progress towards implementing program-specific performance measures
- Expands the scope of maintenance and sustainment by allowing the support of equipment that has previously been purchased with both federal and other sources of funding as long as direct linkage can be provided to one of the core capabilities within the NPG
- Funding will be competitively awarded within designated Port Groupings (Groups I, II, III, and All Other Port Areas)
- The Fiduciary Agent process will not be utilized for FY 2012. Eligible applicants will apply directly to FEMA for funding
- As in the *American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009* (ARRA) PSGP, applicants will be required to provide a cost match. Private sector applicants must provide at least 50 percent (50%) of the total project cost; public sector applicants must provide at least a 25 percent (25%) match

6. What legislation authorizes funding for the FY 2012 PSGP?

The *Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2012, Division D* (Public Law 112-74) provides funding for this program.

7. Where is the FY 2012 PSGP FOA located?

The FY 2012 PSGP FOA is located online at <http://www.fema.gov/grants> as well as on www.grants.gov.

8. What other resources are available to address programmatic, technical, and financial questions?

- For additional program-specific information, please contact the Centralized Scheduling and Information Desk (CSID) help line at (800) 368-6498 or askcsid@dhs.gov. CSID hours of operation are from 9:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. EST, Monday through Friday.
- For financial-related questions, including pre-and post-award administration and technical assistance, applicants may contact the FEMA Grant Programs Directorate Call Center at (866) 927-5646 or via e-mail to ASK-GMD@dhs.gov.

9. What is the FY 2012 PSGP period of performance?

The period of performance of this grant is 24 months.