



FEMA

Fiscal Year (FY) 2011 Homeland Security Grant Program (HSGP) Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

1. What is the purpose of the FY 2011 HSGP?

The purpose of the FY 2011 HSGP is to provide a primary funding mechanism for building and sustaining national preparedness capabilities. HSGP is comprised of five interconnected grant programs: the State Homeland Security Program (SHSP), the Urban Areas Security Initiative (UASI), Operation Stonegarden (OPSG), the Metropolitan Medical Response System (MMRS), and the Citizen Corps Program (CCP). Together, these grant programs fund a range of preparedness activities, including planning, organization, equipment purchase, training, exercises, and management and administration.

As part of the FY 2011 HSGP, DHS-FEMA identified three overarching priorities for SHSP and UASI:

- **Advancing “Whole Community” Security and Emergency Management:** “Whole Community” fosters a national emergency management approach and considers all aspects of a community to effectively prepare for, protect against, respond to, recover from, and mitigate against any terrorist attack or natural disaster.
- **Building Prevention and Protection Capabilities:** As terrorist threats have evolved, DHS has sought to detect and mitigate threats from home grown terrorism and foreign terrorist groups, among others. DHS encourages the use of SHSP and UASI funds to support programs and initiatives such as the development and implementation of Fusion Liaison Officer Programs, the Nationwide Suspicious Activity Reporting (SAR) Initiative (NSI), and the “If You See Something, Say Something™” campaign.
- **Maturation and Enhancement of State and Major Urban Area Fusion Centers:** One of the Department’s priorities is to support recognized state and major urban area fusion centers and the maturation of the Information Sharing Environment (ISE). Fusion centers serve as focal points for the receipt, analysis, gathering, and sharing of threat-related information between the Federal government and State, local, Tribal, territorial and private sector partners. Building a National Network of Fusion Centers helps law enforcement and homeland security personnel understand the local implications of national intelligence, so they can better protect their communities.

2. How much funding was available under the FY 2011 HSGP?

The total amount of funds distributed under the FY 2011 HSGP was \$1,289,296,132.

HSGP Programs	FY 2011 Allocation
State Homeland Security Program	\$526,874,100
Urban Areas Security Initiative	\$662,622,100
Operation Stonegarden	\$54,890,000
Metropolitan Medical Response System	\$34,929,932
Citizen Corps Program	\$9,980,000
Total	\$1,289,296,132

3. Who was eligible to apply for FY 2011 HSGP funds?

The State Administrative Agency (SAA) was the only entity eligible to apply to FEMA for HSGP funds. Prospective recipients for the suite of HSGP programs include the following:

- **SHSP:** All 50 states, the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, American Samoa, Guam, Northern Mariana Islands and the U.S. Virgin Islands
- **UASI:** The 31 eligible highest risk urban areas
- **OPSG:** Local units of government at the county level and federally recognized tribal governments in the states bordering Canada (including Alaska) or Mexico and states and territories with international water borders
- **MMRS:** All 124 cities currently participating in the MMRS program
- **CCP:** All 50 states, the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, American Samoa, Guam, Northern Mariana Islands, and the U.S. Virgin Islands

4. How were the FY 2011 HSGP funds determined?

- **SHSP:** The allocation methodology for FY 2011 SHSP was based on three factors: minimum amounts as legislatively mandated, DHS' risk methodology, and effectiveness. Each state and territory received a minimum allocation under SHSP using the threshold established in the *Implementing Recommendations of the 9/11 Commission Act of 2007* (Public Law 110-53) (9/11 Act). All 50 states, the District of Columbia, and Puerto Rico received 0.355 percent of the total funds allocated for grants under Section 2004 of the *Homeland Security Act of 2002* (6 U.S.C. §101 *et seq.*), as amended by the 9/11 Act, for SHSP. Four territories (American Samoa, Guam, the Northern Mariana Islands, and the U.S. Virgin Islands) received a minimum allocation of 0.08 percent of the total funds allocated for grants under Section 2004 of the *Homeland Security Act of 2002*, as amended by the 9/11 Act, for SHSP.
- **UASI:** The allocation methodology for FY 2011 UASI was based on DHS' risk methodology and effectiveness.
- **OPSG:** The allocation methodology for FY 2011 OPSG was based on risk-based prioritization using Customs and Border Protection's (CBP) Sector-specific border risk methodology including, but not limited to: threat, vulnerability, miles of border, and other border-specific law enforcement intelligence, as well as feasibility of FY 2011 Operations Orders to designated localities within the U.S. border states and territories.

- **MMRS:** FY 2011 MMRS funding was divided evenly among 124 MMRS jurisdictions participating in the MMRS program.
- **CCP:** The allocations were determined using the *USA PATRIOT ACT* (Public Law 107-56) formula, which specifies that all 50 states, the District of Columbia, and Puerto Rico received a minimum of 0.75 percent of the total available grant funding, and that four territories (American Samoa, Guam, the Northern Mariana Islands, and the U.S. Virgin Islands) received a minimum of 0.25 percent of the total available grant funding. The balance of CCP funds are distributed on a population-share basis.

Per the 9/11 Act, states were required to ensure that at least 25 percent of appropriated SHSP funds and 25 percent of appropriated UASI funds were dedicated towards law enforcement terrorism prevention activities.

5. What legislation authorized funding for the FY 2011 HSGP?

The Department of Defense and Full-Year Continuing Appropriations Act, 2011 (Public Law 112-10) provided funding for this program.

6. Where is the FY 2011 HSGP Guidance and Application Kit located?

The FY 2011 HSGP Guidance and Application Kit is located online at: <http://www.fema.gov/grants> as well as on www.grants.gov.

7. 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.

8. What is the FY 2011 HSGP period of performance?

The period of performance is 36 months.