GRANT HIGHLIGHTS

The Coronavirus Emergency Supplemental Funding (CESF) Program will provide funding to assist eligible states, local units of government, and tribes in preventing, preparing for, and responding to the coronavirus.

Allowable projects and purchases include, but are not limited to, overtime, equipment (including law enforcement and medical personal protective equipment), hiring, supplies (such as gloves, masks, sanitizer), training, travel expenses, and addressing the medical needs of inmates in state, local, and tribal prisons, jails, and detention centers.

WHO CAN APPLY

- States, U.S. Territories, the District of Columbia, units of local government, and federally recognized tribal governments that were identified as eligible for funding under the FY19 State and Local Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program are eligible to apply.
  - A unit of local government may be any law enforcement district or judicial enforcement district established under applicable state law with authority to independently establish a budget and impose taxes; for example, in Louisiana, a unit of local government means a district attorney or parish sheriff.
- Only the State Administering Agency (SAA) that applied for FY 2019 JAG funding for a state/territory may apply for the state allocation of CESF funding. A list of SAAs may be found here.
- Eligible State allocations may be found here.
- Eligible Local allocations may be found here.
- Local jurisdictions not eligible for a direct award should contact their SAA about the process by which the State will pass-through funds awarded to the State.
PERMISSIBLE USES OF FUNDS

• Funds awarded under the CESF Program must be utilized to prevent, prepare for, and respond to the coronavirus. Allowable projects and purchases include, but are not limited to, overtime, equipment (including law enforcement and medical personal protective equipment), hiring, supplies (such as gloves, masks, sanitizer), training, travel expenses (particularly related to the distribution of resources to the most impacted areas), and addressing the medical needs of inmates in state, local, and tribal prisons, jails, and detention centers.

• Expenditures which require prior approval: There are no specific prohibitions under the CESF Program other than the unallowable costs that are identified in the DOJ Grants Financial Guide; however, the following items should be identified during application and appropriately justified as noted:
  – Individual items costing $500,000 or more should be identified and thoroughly justified by the grantee and receive written prior approval from BJA post-award through the submission and approval of a Grant Adjustment Notice (GAN). Costs must be reasonable to receive approval.
  – Unmanned Aerial Systems, Unmanned Aircraft, and/or Unmanned Aerial Vehicles require approval from the Federal Aviation Administration as outlined here. Documentation related to these purchases should be included with the application or the applicant must receive written prior approval from BJA post-award through the submission and approval of a GAN.

• Draw-down: Consistent with the CESF Program’s purposes, funds may be drawn down either in advance or on a reimbursable basis. No match is required for this grant.

• Supplanting Prohibition: Funds may not be used to supplant state or local funds but must be used to increase the amounts of such funds that would, in the absence of federal funds, be made available.

• Performance Period: 2 years, with an opportunity for up to a 12-month extension. The start date for the grant will be retroactive to January 1, 2020, subject to the supplanting prohibition.

PUBLIC SAFETY TECHNOLOGY TO SUPPORT RESPONSE EFFORTS

In addition to ensuring your agency has the necessary funding to support the purchase of the items noted above (equipment, overtime, supplies, travel expenses, etc.), equip your responders with the technology needed to act quickly, safely and efficiently with the following qualifying solutions:

• Mission Critical Communications: Ensure all COVID-19 response teams are connected with P25 public safety radios made for the mission and accessories that can last long shifts. By reinforcing radio with broadband capabilities, enable the instant voice and multimedia collaborations that keep our users safe and aware when it matters most. Learn more

• Command Center Software: Explore the only end-to-end software suite with solutions from call to case closure. Ensure responders and command center staff are in the know as cases impact officers in the field and in jails. Discover software from NG911, to CAD, Records Management, Real-time Situational Awareness, DEMS, Jail Management and more. Learn more

• Video Security and Analytics: Limiting the face-to-face interactions and respecting social distancing between responders and those possibly exposed is critical for containing COVID-19. Explore solutions from video security cameras and analytics software to license plate recognition, unusual motion detection, appearance search and more. Learn more
APPLICATION DEADLINE AND HOW TO APPLY

All registrations and applications are due by May 29, 2020, 11:59 p.m. eastern time, but applicants are encouraged to apply as soon as possible as awards will be fast tracked and made on a rolling basis.

Applicants must register in the Grants Management System (GMS) at https://grants.ojp.usdoj.gov/ prior to submitting an application under this solicitation.

An applicant must submit its application through GMS, which provides support for the application, award, and management of awards at OJP. Find information, registration, and submission steps on how to apply in GMS in response to this solicitation under the How to Apply (GMS) section in the OJP Grant Application Resource Guide.

WHAT YOU NEED TO APPLY

- The CESF Solicitation may be found here.
- The OJP Grant Application Resource Guide may be found here.
- Key elements of the application include:
  - Application for Federal Assistance (Standard Form (SF)-424) The SF-424 is a required standard form used as a cover sheet for submission of pre-applications, applications, and related information. See the OJP Grant Application Resource Guide for additional information on completing the SF-424.
  - Program Narrative: Must describe the specific coronavirus prevention, preparation, and/or response efforts that will be addressed and include a summary of the types of projects or items that will be funded over the 2-year grant period.
  - Budget Narrative: Must include a full description of all costs, including administrative costs or indirect costs (if applicable).
  - Budget Detail Worksheet: See the Budget Preparation and Submission Information section of the OJP Grant Application Resource Guide for details on this worksheet and associated documentation.
- For additional information, see the “How to Apply (GMS)” section in the OJP Grant Application Resource Guide.
- A webinar on the CESF program may be found on the IACP COVID-19 Information Page.

WE CAN HELP YOU

The grant application process can be challenging to navigate. To help you, Motorola Solutions has partnered with the grant experts at PoliceGrantsHelp.com. Their team of funding experts can answer questions and offer insights on how to write an effective application.

Additional information and resources can be found on our website: www.motorolasolutions.com/govgrants.

Visit our disaster preparedness site for more information.