

Public Safety Office Office of the Governor

Grant Funding for Interoperable Communications

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Communications Grants Overview

Preparedness Programs

Federal Programs

- State Homeland Security Program (SHSP)
- Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI)

State Programs

 Statewide Emergency Radio Infrastructure (SERI)



Preparedness Programs

- SHSP
 - \$18.2 Mil allocated to Texas in FY 2023 (no change from 2022)
 - 30% of allocated funding must go to 6 National Priority Areas (NPAs)
 - Combating Domestic Violent Extremism (NPA, 3%)
 - Community Preparedness & Resilience (NPA, 3%)
 - Enhancing Cybersecurity (NPA, no minimum percent)
 - Enhancing Election Security (NPA, 3%)*
 - Intelligence & Information Sharing (NPA, 3%)
 - Protection of Soft Targets/Crowded Places (NPA, 3%)

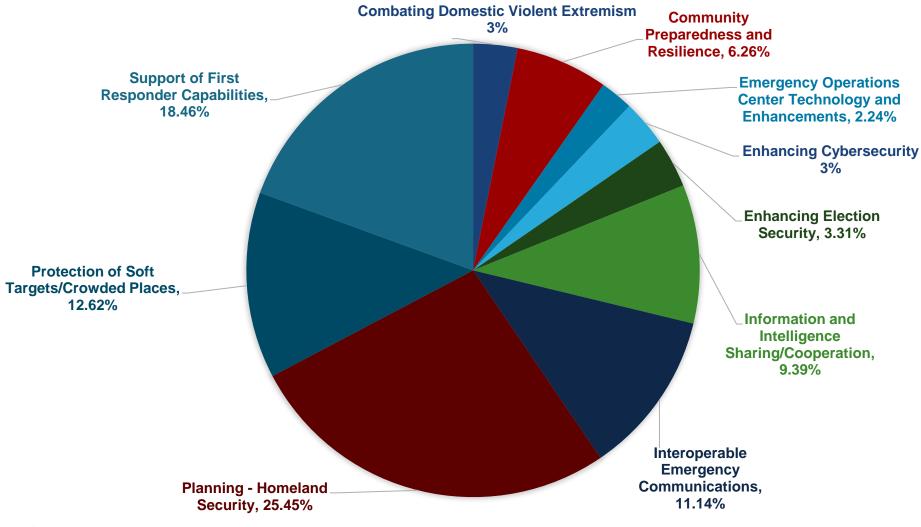
*Changed from no minimum percent as listed in the FY 2022 NOFO



- SHSP and UASI Investment Areas
 - Combating Domestic Violent Extremism (NPA, 3%)
 - Community Preparedness & Resilience (NPA, 3%)
 - Emergency Operations Center Technology
 - Enhancing Cybersecurity (NPA, no minimum percent)
 - Enhancing Election Security (NPA, 3%)
 - Intelligence & Information Sharing (NPA, 3%)
 - Interoperable Emergency Communications
 - Planning Homeland Security
 - Protection of Soft Targets/Crowded Places (NPA, 3%)
 - Support of First Responder Capabilities



HSGP Overview FY 2023 SHSP Investments





Preparedness Programs (FY 2023 SHSP)

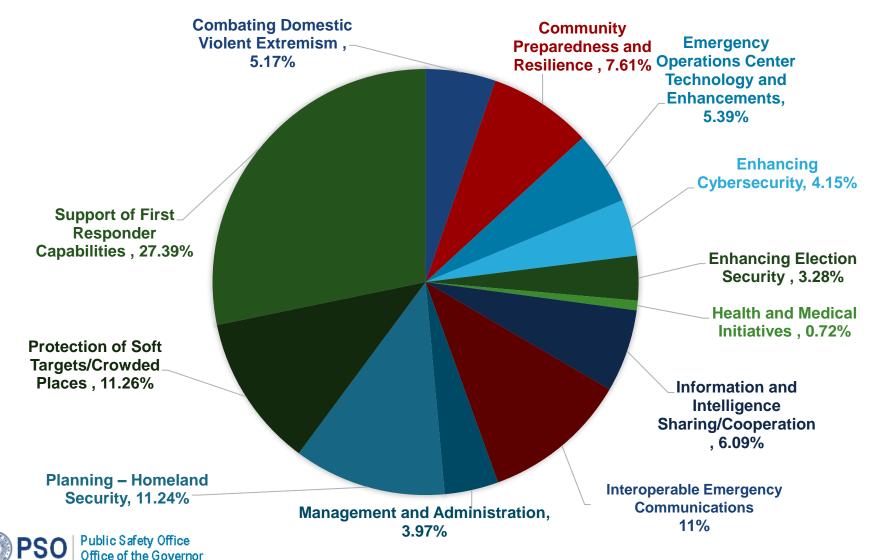
Investment Area	Funded Amounts	# of Projects	% of SHSP
Combating Domestic Violent Extremism (3%)	\$546,313.52	6	3.00%
Community Preparedness and Resilience (3%)	\$1,140,124.48	15	6.26%
Emergency Operations Center Technology and Enhancements	\$407,580.89	9	2.24%
Enhancing Cybersecurity (no minimum)	\$570,334.00	3	3.13%
Enhancing Election Security (3%)	\$603,343.28	5	3.31%
Information and Intelligence Sharing/Cooperation (3%)	\$1,710,253.95	16	9.39%
Interoperable Emergency Communications	\$2,028,110.68	27	11.14%
Planning – Homeland Security	\$4,633,793.49	26	25.45%
Protection of Soft Targets/Crowded Places (3%)	\$2,297,837.69	34	12.62%
Support of First Responder Capabilities	\$3,362,236.47	51	18.46%



- UASI (Houston, DFWA, San Antonio, Austin)
 - \$46.1 Mil allocated to Texas Urban Areas in FY
 2023 (\$24.2 M Houston, \$16.6M DFWA, \$3.8 M
 San Antonio, \$1.5 M Austin)
 - Requirement for National Priority Areas are the same as SHSP
 - Funding decisions primarily with Urban Area Working Groups (UAWG)



HSGP Overview FY 2023 UASI Investments



Preparedness Programs (FY 2023 UASI)

Investment Area	Funded Amounts	# of Projects	% of SHSP
Combating Domestic Violent Extremism (3%)	\$2,385,088.43	8	5.17%
Community Preparedness and Resilience (3%)	\$3,516,219.52	22	7.61%
Emergency Operations Center Technology and Enhancements	\$2,489,503.05	13	5.39%
Enhancing Cybersecurity (no minimum)	\$1,915,554.00	8	4.15%
Enhancing Election Security (3%)	\$1,515,685.06	14	3.28%
Health and Medical Initiatives	\$330,238.00	3	0.72%
Information and Intelligence Sharing/Cooperation (3%)	\$2,812,430.00	11	6.09%
Interoperable Emergency Communications	\$4,956,669.00	4	10.73%
Management and Administration	\$1,831,442.70	12	3.97%
Planning – Homeland Security	\$5,190,410.95	17	11.24%
Protection of Soft Targets/Crowded Places (3%)	\$5,199,850.00	25	11.26%
Support of First Responder Capabilities	\$12,649,084.29	54	27.39%
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Preparedness Programs

• FY 2024 Outlook for SHSP and UASI

- HSGP NPAs are anticipated to be the same as the FY 2023.
- 2024 SHSP: NPA requirements will pass down to the regions. Projects are needed from the local level in order to meet minimum spend requirements.
- The NPAs reduce the amount of funding that can be made available for communications projects.



- State Programs
 - SERI
 - 20 Awards totaling \$12.1 M in FY 2022
 - Offered every other year to increase available funding
 - PSO will offer the funding again in Jan 2024.
 - PSO expects to make at least \$20 M for projects.
 - Infrastructure only, no subscriber units



Public Safety Office 2024* Grant Cycle

- PSO Plan Year (PY) 2025
 - December 11, 2023 (Target opening date for SHSP & others)
 - February 8, 2024 (Texas eGrants Application Deadline)
 - August 01, 2024 (Target date for completion of reviews/revisions)
 - September 01, 2024 (Earliest grant performance period start date)
 - TBD (Release of awards dependent on receipt of Federal Award)
- Funding for grant programs is dependent upon federal and state appropriations
- Other grant opportunities open in January and close in March; some at other times during the year
- eGrants Calendar Page: https://egrants.gov.texas.gov/fundopp.aspx



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