



Top Grants

Federal and state grants are part of the budget picture for nearly every public sector agency in the country. Many agencies are understaffed for grants development or lack experience with grant programs that could dramatically increase their capacity to leverage technology, advance their missions, and impact their communities.

The Panasonic grant support program provides public sector agencies with grants information, customized funder research and consultation that will help develop project ideas, get technology-rich projects funded and even expand initiatives that are already in the works.

Current grant programs offered to eligible public sector agencies:

EDWARD BYRNE MEMORIAL JUSTICE ASSISTANCE GRANT (JAG) PROGRAM

Source of Funding	U.S. Department of Justice
SUMMARY	JAG supports a range of program areas for public safety initiatives – including law enforcement, prosecution, courts, prevention and education programs, corrections, drug treatment, drug enforcement, crime victim and witness protection, planning, evaluation, and technology improvement programs.
ELIGIBILITY	JAG funds are available to public agencies, including state governments and units of local government (e.g. town, township, village, parish, city, county). States and large-sized municipalities receive funding directly from the US Department of Justice. A list of allocations made in 2018 is available to view here . Small- and medium-sized municipalities NOT identified on this allocation compete for funding through their state public safety agency.
DEADLINE	Direct allocations for state and large-sized municipalities occur approximately in June, annually. Deadlines for small- and medium-sized municipalities vary by state.



NONPROFIT SECURITY GRANT PROGRAM (NSGP)

Source of Funding	U.S. Department of Homeland Security
SUMMARY	NSGP supports target hardening and other physical security enhancements to nonprofit organizations that are at high risk of a terrorist attack. Funds may be used for equipment, construction, renovation, planning, training, exercises and coordination with local law enforcement efforts.
ELIGIBILITY	NSGP funds are available to 501(c)3 agencies that are determined to be at a high risk of a terrorist attack.
DEADLINE	Estimated deadline is in May, annually.

SCHOOL VIOLENCE PREVENTION PROGRAM (SVPP)

Source of Funding	U.S. Department of Justice
SUMMARY	SVPP supports K-12 school safety measures that improve coordination with local law enforcement, increase training initiatives for school staff and install equipment that will provide significant improvements in security. This includes the purchase of technology to be used as a deterrent measure and for expedited notification of local law enforcement during an emergency.
ELIGIBILITY	SVPP funds are available to states, units of local government and Indian tribes. Recipients may make sub-awards to local educational agencies, nonprofit organizations, units of local government or tribal organizations.
DEADLINE	Estimated deadline is in May, annually.

STATE HOMELAND SECURITY GRANT PROGRAM (SHSP)

Source of Funding	U.S. Department of Homeland Security
SUMMARY	SHSP supports the capacity of state, local, tribal, and territorial entities to enhance US resilience to absorb disruptions and rapidly recover from incidents both natural and man-made. Funding through SHSP are used to aid in the training of emergency first responders, the purchase of state-of-the-art equipment for combating and preventing terrorist acts and for planning/exercise activities. Funds are also used for management, administration and the development of local citizen corps projects.
ELIGIBILITY	SHSP funds are available to state and local government organizations in all 50 states and territories.
DEADLINE	Deadlines vary by state.

ASSISTANCE TO FIREFIGHTERS GRANT PROGRAM (AFG)

Source of Funding	U.S. Department of Homeland Security
SUMMARY	AFG supports activities to enhance a public safety agency's ability to protect the health and safety of the public, as well as that of first-responder personnel. Funds may be used for equipment, training, Personal Protective Equipment (PPE), vehicles, first responder wellness and modifications to facilities.
ELIGIBILITY	AFG funds are available to fire departments, EMS agencies that are not affiliated with a hospital, and state fire training academies.
DEADLINE	Estimated deadline is in November, annually.



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