

State and Local Cybersecurity Grant Program (SLCGP)

Subject: Application Window Opening for FY 2025 State and Local Cybersecurity Grant Program (SLCGP)

The Florida Division of Emergency Management (FDEM) and the Florida Digital Service are pleased to announce the availability of the Federal State and Local Cybersecurity Grant Program (SLCGP) for Fiscal Year (FY) 2025–26.

This federally funded program is separate from the Florida-sponsored Local Cybersecurity Grant Program and is designed to help State, Local, and Territorial governments manage and reduce systemic cybersecurity risks. Florida has been allocated \$11,997,340 in federal assistance under this year's program.

For FY 2025–26, Florida's SLCGP priorities are:

- Critical Infrastructure (CI): Cybersecurity hardening projects for systems such as supervisory
 control and data acquisition (SCADA), industrial control systems, operational technology, and
 associated IT infrastructure.
- Law Enforcement: Cybersecurity risk mitigation initiatives for local law enforcement agencies.
- Rural Areas: Due to the federal funding requirements of the grant, projects in rural areas will be prioritized. Rural areas are defined in the Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) as regions with fewer than 50,000 residents. The full FY 2023 NOFO can be reviewed here:
 The Department of Homeland Security Notice of Funding Opportunity Fiscal Year 2023 State and Local Cybersecurity Grant Program | FEMA.gov

To be eligible for funding, applications must align with one or both of these priority areas.

Application Process:

Eligible applicants, please visit <u>State and Local Cybersecurity Grant Program | Florida Disaster</u> for the application and instructions. Florida local government entities must apply through the **FDEM Grants Portal to complete the application process**:

FDEMPortal.com/Grants

We strongly encourage applicants to begin preparing early by identifying project needs, obtaining budget estimates, and planning timelines.

- Application Window: October 15 December 15, 2025
- Evaluation Period: December 16, 2025 January 15, 2026
- Notification and Award: Successful applicants will be notified following evaluation. Grant agreements and supporting documentation will be issued for signature before funds are released.



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Cost Share Requirement:

This grant requires a 20% match; either Hard Match (Cash) or Soft Match (In-kind) such as dollar value of the salary and benefits of positions associated with the project. For a more specific explanation, see pages 20-25 of the DHS Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) Fiscal Year 2023 State and Local Cybersecurity Grant Program. https://www.fema.gov/fact-sheet/department-homeland-security-notice-funding-opportunity-fiscal-year-2023-state-and-local

Program Purpose:

These funds are **non-recurring** and are intended to **enhance existing cybersecurity programs** or support the **establishment of foundational capabilities**.

We are proud to partner with Florida's local governments in protecting critical services and infrastructure from cyber threats. Please reach out if you have any questions or need assistance with the application process. The application and submission guide can be found at State and Local Cybersecurity Grant Program | Florida Disaster as well as at Preparedness Grants | Florida Disaster. This requires DEMES account, if you do not have an account you will have to register at that time.