

**List of Federal Financial Assistance Programs Funding Emergency Communications  
Potential Applicability to 911 Projects**

This list identifies federal financial assistance programs (i.e., grants, loans, cooperative agreements) that support emergency communications investments, **specifically noting any potential applicability to 911 projects**. Program materials may or may not mention 911 activities within allowable costs; however, through interpretation of federal grant office priorities, program objectives, and emergency communications-related costs (e.g., construction or renovation of communications centers and towers, purchase of communications systems and equipment, improvements that support statewide plans), this list identifies potential funding sources for 911 projects. **Consult the program’s Grants Officer for question on 911 applicability.**

Periodic updates to the annual *List of Federal Financial Assistance Programs Funding Emergency Communications* will be posted on the [SAFECOM Funding website](#) as new programs are announced. Note that other opportunities may exist. Entities seeking funding should refer to the Federal Government website [Grants.gov](#) to determine if other opportunities are available. In addition, refer to the specific Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO), as this is a summary of program information related to emergency communications and does not reflect all program requirements.

Entities that are applying for federal financial assistance for emergency communications projects should reference the latest annual [SAFECOM Guidance on Emergency Communications Grants](#). The guidance provides general information on eligible activities, technical standards, and other terms and conditions that are common to most federal programs funding emergency communications. Note, recipients of the Federal Emergency Management Agency’s preparedness grants must comply with SAFECOM Guidance, as required in its Appendix D. Other federal programs encourage entities to follow SAFECOM Guidance recommendations and best practices, specifically its guidance to applicants on:

- Recommendations for planning, coordinating, and implementing emergency communications projects;
- Emergency communications activities that can be funded through federal grants;
- Overview of emergency communications systems and capabilities; and
- Technical standards that facilitate interoperability.

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| <b>Department of Agriculture (USDA)</b>   |  |   |  |
| <p><b>Community Connect</b><br/>The Community Connect program serves rural communities where broadband service is least likely to be available, but where it can make a tremendous difference in the quality of life for citizens. Projects funded by these grants will help rural residents tap into the enormous potential of the Internet.<br/><a href="http://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/community-connect-grants">http://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/community-connect-grants</a></p> | <p><b>Program Amount:</b> Minimum grant request amount of \$100,000 and maximum of \$3,000,000<br/><b>Application Deadline:</b> 4/15/2019<br/><b>Competitive:</b> Applicants scored and prioritized to determine selection for further development and funding; minimum 15% match required</p> | <p><b>Eligible Applicants:</b> State and local governments, federally-recognized Tribes, non-profits, for-profit corporations. Rural areas that lack existing broadband speed of at least 10 Mbps downstream and 1 Mbps upstream<br/><b>Objective:</b> Funds broadband deployment into rural communities where it is not yet economically viable for private sector providers to deliver service<br/><b>Equipment:</b> Construction, expansion, improvement or acquisition of community center; broadband expansion, construction of communication towers</p> | <p><b>NOFO Language:</b> Applications should include an analysis of the community-wide challenges and how the project proposes to address these issues, including public safety issues.<br/><b>Interpretation:</b> While NG911 is not specifically mentioned, recipients should consider integrating NG911 implementation activities into planning related to public safety efforts.</p> |

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| <p><b>Community Facilities</b><br/>Community Facilities programs provide loans, grants, and loan guarantees for essential community facilities in rural areas and towns up to 20,000 in population. Priority is given to health care, education, and public safety projects.<br/><a href="http://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/community-facilities-direct-loan-grant-program">http://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/community-facilities-direct-loan-grant-program</a></p>   | <p><b>Program Amount:</b> Graduated Scale<br/><b>Application Deadline:</b> Applications are accepted year-round. Contact local office to discuss a specific project<br/><b>Competitive:</b> Applicants will be carefully scored and prioritized to determine which projects should be selected for further development and funding; varying match requirements</p> | <p><b>Eligible Applicants:</b> Municipalities, counties, parishes, boroughs, special-purpose districts, non-profit corporations or associations, and Tribal governments<br/><b>Objective:</b> Funds the purchase, construction, or improvement of essential community facilities<br/><b>Planning and Organization:</b> Costs of acquiring interest on land<br/><b>Equipment:</b> Construction and development of hospitals, health clinics, schools, fire houses, community centers, and many other community-based initiatives</p> | <p><b>NOFO Language:</b> Essential community facilities include public safety services such as fire departments, police stations, prisons, police vehicles, fire trucks, public works vehicles or equipment.<br/><b>Interpretation:</b> While NG911 is not specifically mentioned, Community Facilities recipients should consider integrating NG911 implementation into planning related to public safety services, vehicles, or equipment.</p>   |
| <p><b>Telecommunications Infrastructure Loan Program</b><br/>The Infrastructure Program provides long-term direct and guaranteed loans to qualified organizations for the purpose of financing the improvement, expansion, construction, acquisition, and operation of telephone lines, facilities, or systems to furnish and improve Telecommunications, 911, and Emergency Communications services in rural areas.<br/><a href="http://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/telecommunications-infrastructure-loans-loan-guarantees">http://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/telecommunications-infrastructure-loans-loan-guarantees</a></p> | <p><b>Program Amount:</b> Graduated Scale<br/><b>Application Deadline:</b> Applications for this program are accepted through the General Field Representative year-round<br/><b>Competitive:</b> Eligible projects are selected based on specific criteria in the NOFO</p>  | <p><b>Eligible Applicants:</b> State and local government entities, federally-recognized Tribes, non-profit corporations, and for-profit businesses<br/><b>Objective:</b> Funds construction, maintenance, improvement, and expansion of telephone service and broadband in rural areas<br/><b>Planning and Organization:</b> Acquisitions and refinancing<br/><b>Equipment:</b> Improvement, expansions, and construction of 911 activities and services related to emergency response efforts</p>                                 | <p><b>NOFO Language:</b> Through this program, USDA will leverage public and private resources to speed the rural deployment of dual-use public safety/commercial wireless networks, address homeland security communications needs along America's rural international borders, and finance enhanced 911 capabilities for carriers and communities. Advantages include the ability to precisely locate rural wireless 911 calls, contact 911 via text message, or send emergency responders photos or videos of crime scenes or accidents. The program finances wireless upgrades for public safety and security.<br/><b>Interpretation:</b> Recipients should consider integrating NG911 strategic planning and implementation with efforts to enhance 911 capabilities.</p> |

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| <p><b>Distance Learning and Telemedicine (DLT)</b> The purpose of the DLT program is to fund telecommunications enabled information, audio and video equipment, and related advanced technologies which extend educational and medical applications into rural areas. Funds may also be used to provide for communication upgrades between ambulances, emergency transportation vehicles, and medical facilities.</p> <p>New this year, DLT–Opioid program offers funds to help address the opioid epidemic in rural America, including to improve access to opioid treatment using telemedicine, computer networks, and related advanced technologies.</p> <p><a href="https://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/distance-learning-telemedicine-grants">https://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/distance-learning-telemedicine-grants</a></p> | <p><b>Program Amount:</b> Minimum grant request amount of \$50,000 and maximum grant request of \$500,000 per application</p> <p><b>Application Deadline:</b> 5/15/2019 for traditional DLT program; 4/15/2019 for DLT–Opioid program</p> <p><b>Competitive:</b> Eligible projects are selected based on specific criteria in the NOFO; minimum 15% match is required</p> | <p><b>Eligible Applicants:</b> Entities that provide education or health care through telecommunications, including most state and local governmental entities, federally-recognized Tribes, non-profits, for-profit businesses, and consortia of eligible entities</p> <p><b>Objective:</b> Funds rural communities use of telecommunications to connect to each other and to the world, overcoming the effects of remoteness and low population density</p> <p><b>Equipment:</b> Acquisition of eligible capital assets, such as broadband transmission facilities; audio, video and interactive video equipment; terminal and data terminal equipment; computer hardware, network components, and software; inside wiring and similar infrastructure that further DLT services</p> <p><b>Personnel/Training:</b> Instructional programming that is a capital asset, technical assistance, and instruction for using equipment</p> | <p><b>NOFO Language:</b> To combat key threats, USDA encourages applications that will support the Administration’s goal to reduce the morbidity and mortality associated with Substance Use Disorder (including opioid misuse) in high-risk rural communities by strengthening the capacity to address prevention, treatment, or recovery at the community, county, state, and regional levels.</p> <p><b>Interpretation:</b> While NG911 is not specifically mentioned, recipients should consider integrating NG911 strategic planning with efforts to increase education, training, and health care resources that are otherwise unavailable or limited in scope.</p> |
| <b>Department of Commerce (DOC)</b>  |   |  |   |
| <p><b>911 Grant Program</b></p> <p>The 911 Grant Program provides grant funding to support state and local efforts to deliver optimal 911 services. The funding may be used for the implementation and operation of 911 services, Enhanced 911 (E911) services, migration to an Internet Protocol (IP)-enabled emergency network, and adoption and operation of NG911 services and applications.</p> <p><a href="https://www.911.gov/project_911grantprogram.html">https://www.911.gov/project_911grantprogram.html</a></p>  | <p><b>Program Amount:</b> \$109,250,000</p> <p><b>Application Deadline:</b> Initial submission by 9/10/2018 and complete package by 4/2/2019</p> <p><b>Formula-based:</b> Grant distribution formula factors population and public road mileage</p>   | <p><b>Eligible Applicants:</b> State or Tribal Organizations</p> <p><b>Objective:</b> Funds for implementation and operation of 911 services, E911 services, migration to an IP-enabled emergency network, and adoption and operation of NG911 services and applications</p> <p><b>Equipment:</b> Implementation and operation of 911 services, including the establishment of IP backbone networks and the application layer software infrastructure needed to interconnect the multitude of emergency response organizations</p> <p><b>Personnel/Training:</b> 911-related training of public safety personnel, including call-takers, first responders, individuals, and organizations who are part of the emergency response chain in 911 services</p>   | <p><b>Program provides dedicated funding for 911</b></p>  |

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| <b>Department of Health and Human Services (HHS)</b>   |  |   |  |
| <p><b>Hospital Preparedness Program (HPP)</b><br/>HPP purpose is to strengthen and enhance the acute care medical surge capacity through the maintenance and growth of strong health care coalitions. The goals of health care preparedness and response capabilities include: 1) Foundation for Health Care and Medical Readiness; 2) Health Care and Medical Response Coordination; 3) Continuity of Health Care Service Delivery; and 4) Medical Surge.<br/><a href="https://www.phe.gov/Preparedness/planning/hpp/Pages/default.aspx">https://www.phe.gov/Preparedness/planning/hpp/Pages/default.aspx</a></p>                             | <p><b>Program Amount:</b> Up to \$231,500,000<br/><b>Application Deadline:</b> 5/3/2019<br/><b>Formula-based:</b> Cooperative agreement is awarded to states or consortium of states with 10% matching requirement</p> | <p><b>Eligible Applicants:</b> State, county, city, or township, and special district governments<br/><b>Objective:</b> Funds to build acute care medical surge capacity<br/><b>Personnel:</b> Staff to assist with planning, training, and exercises<br/><b>Planning:</b> Engage emergency communications stakeholders in planning; develop assessments and inventories<br/><b>Training/Exercises:</b> Develop, deliver, attend, and evaluate training and exercises</p>   | <p><b>NOFO Language:</b> HHS recommended a tiered strategy for improving capabilities in Tier 1, Public Health Preparedness Capabilities, which include: Responder Safety and Health; Emergency Operations Coordination; Emergency Public Information and Warning; and Information Sharing. Examples of information sharing systems that contribute to the incident common operating picture include but are not limited to the following: bed tracking systems, emergency medical services (EMS) information systems, health alert networks, patient tracking systems, 911 call centers and systems, web-enabled emergency management communications systems, and credentialing systems.<br/><b>Interpretation:</b> HPP recipients should consider integrating NG911 implementation into emergency operations coordination and information sharing systems.</p> |
| <p><b>Public Health Emergency Preparedness (PHEP)</b> PHEP purpose is to strengthen and enhance the capabilities of state, local, and territorial public health systems to respond effectively (e.g., mitigate the loss of life and reduce the threats to the community's health and safety) to evolving threats and other emergencies, and improve the readiness of the public health system to save lives during emergencies that exceed the day-to-day capacity and capability of the public health emergency response systems.<br/><a href="https://www.cdc.gov/cpr/readiness/phep.htm">https://www.cdc.gov/cpr/readiness/phep.htm</a></p> | <p><b>Program Amount:</b> Up to \$620,250,000<br/><b>Application Deadline:</b> 5/3/2019<br/><b>Formula-based:</b> Cooperative agreement is awarded to states or consortium of states with 10% matching requirement</p> | <p><b>Eligible Applicants:</b> State, county, city, or township, and special district governments<br/><b>Objective:</b> Funds to advance development of effective public health emergency management and response programs<br/><b>Personnel:</b> Staff to assist with planning, training, and exercises<br/><b>Planning:</b> Whole community planning for all populations, including tribal engagement<br/><b>Training/Exercises:</b> Develop, deliver, attend, and evaluate training and exercises; Continuity of operations and administrative preparedness plans tested via tabletop exercises<br/><b>Equipment:</b> Personal protective equipment</p> | <p><b>NOFO Language:</b> HHS recommended a tiered strategy for improving capabilities in Tier 1, Public Health Preparedness Capabilities, which include: Responder Safety and Health; Emergency Operations Coordination; Emergency Public Information and Warning; and Information Sharing. See example information sharing systems under HPP.<br/><b>Interpretation:</b> PHEP recipients should consider integrating NG911 implementation into emergency operations coordination and information sharing systems.</p>   |

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| <b>Department of Homeland Security (DHS)</b>  |   |  |  |
| <p><b>Assistance to Firefighters Grant (AFG)</b><br/>The primary goal of the AFG program is to meet the firefighting and emergency response needs of fire departments and non-affiliated emergency medical service organizations. AFG funds have helped firefighters and other first responders to obtain critically needed equipment, protective gear, emergency vehicles, training, and other resources needed to protect the public and emergency personnel from fire and related hazards.<br/><a href="https://www.fema.gov/assistance-firefighters-grant">https://www.fema.gov/assistance-firefighters-grant</a></p> | <p><b>FY 2019 Announcement Pending</b></p>                  | <p><b>Eligible Applicants:</b> Fire departments, nonaffiliated EMS organizations; state fire training academies<br/><b>Objective:</b> Funds critically needed resources that equip and train emergency personnel to recognized standards, enhance operational efficiencies, foster interoperability, and support community resilience<br/><b>Personnel:</b> Wellness and fitness programs for first responders<br/><b>Planning and Organization:</b> Education on fire prevention and safety activities<br/><b>Training:</b> Training materials<br/><b>Equipment:</b> Protective gear, vehicles, modification to facilities</p>  | <p><b>NOFO Language:</b> To be announced.<br/><b>Interpretation:</b> AFG recipients should consider integrating 911 services that support firefighting into projects where applicable.</p>                     |
| <p><b>Assistance to Firefighters Grant Fire Prevention and Safety (FP&amp;S)</b><br/>FP&amp;S grants support projects that enhance the safety of the public and firefighters from fire and related hazards. The primary goal is to reduce injury and prevent death among high-risk populations.<br/><a href="https://www.fema.gov/fire-prevention-safety-grants">https://www.fema.gov/fire-prevention-safety-grants</a></p>   | <p><b>FY 2019 Announcement Pending</b></p>                  | <p><b>Eligible Applicants:</b> Fire departments and organizations with fire prevention or fire safety expertise, including governments, private and public non-profit organizations<br/><b>Objective:</b> Funds fire prevention programs and supporting firefighter health and safety research and development<br/><b>Planning and Organization:</b> Education on fire prevention and safety<br/><b>Training:</b> Training materials<br/><b>Equipment:</b> Protective gear, emergency vehicles<br/><b>Research and Development:</b> Topics include improving firefighter safety, health, or wellness through research and development that reduces firefighter fatalities and injuries</p> | <p><b>NOFO Language:</b> To be announced.<br/><b>Interpretation:</b> FP&amp;S recipients should consider integrating 911 services that support the public and firefighters into projects where applicable.</p> |

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| <p><b>Emergency Management Performance Grant (EMPG)</b><br/>EMPG assists state, local and tribal governments in preparing for all hazards. The intent is to provide granting funding to assist state emergency management agencies in obtaining the resources required to support the National Preparedness Goal of a secure and resilient Nation.<br/><a href="https://www.fema.gov/emergency-management-performance-grant-program">https://www.fema.gov/emergency-management-performance-grant-program</a></p> | <p><b>Program Amount:</b> \$350,100,000<br/><b>Application Deadline:</b> 5/29/2019<br/><b>Formula-based:</b> Amounts for each state/territory are listed in the NOFO; 50% match is required</p>   | <p><b>Eligible Applicants:</b> State Administrative Agency (SAA) of states/territories or Emergency Management Agency<br/><b>Objective:</b> Funds activities that address capability targets and gaps identified through the Threat and Hazard Identification and Risk Assessment and Stakeholder Preparedness Review (formerly known as the State Preparedness Report) process<br/><b>Planning and Organization:</b> Engage emergency communications stakeholders in planning; coordinate activities focused on all-hazards management operations<br/><b>Training/Exercises:</b> Develop, deliver, attend, and evaluate training and exercises<br/><b>Equipment:</b> Cybersecurity enhancements, interoperable communications; maintenance and sustainment (e.g., upgrades, user fees, warranties); construction / renovation of communication towers</p> | <p><b>NOFO Language:</b> EMPG applications should include communications plans and evacuation planning (e.g., updating Statewide Communication Interoperability Plans [SCIP], enhancing evacuation plans), including plans for alerts and warnings, crisis communications, pre-positioning of equipment for areas potentially impacted by mass evacuations, sheltering, and re-entry.<br/><b>Interpretation:</b> While NG911 is not specifically mentioned, EMPG recipients should consider integrating NG911 strategies including investments for global information system (GIS) data and cybersecurity enhancement equipment into emergency management efforts. Additionally, grant recipients should include NG911 activities in the SCIP and other plans.</p> |
| <p><b>Transit Security Grant Program (TSGP)</b><br/>TSGP directly supports transportation infrastructure security activities. It is one tool in the comprehensive set of measures to strengthen the Nation's critical infrastructure against risks associated with potential terrorist attacks.<br/><a href="https://www.fema.gov/transit-security-grant-program">https://www.fema.gov/transit-security-grant-program</a></p>  | <p><b>Program Amount:</b> \$88,000,000<br/><b>Application Deadline:</b> 5/29/2019<br/><b>Competitive:</b> Eligible transit agencies are determined based on daily unlinked passenger trips (ridership) and transit systems that serve historically eligible urban areas</p> | <p><b>Eligible Applicants:</b> Publicly owned operators of public transportation<br/><b>Objective:</b> Funds public transportation systems, including intra-city bus, ferries and all forms of passenger rail) for the protection of critical transportation infrastructure and the travelling public<br/><b>Planning and Organization:</b> Regional communications enhancement; governance integration<br/><b>Training/Exercises:</b> Develop, deliver, attend, and evaluate training and exercises<br/><b>Equipment:</b> Related to interoperable communications, maintenance and sustainment, construction / renovation of communication towers</p>   | <p><b>NOFO Language:</b> TSGP funds may be used for the development and enhancement of security plans and protocols, security assessments; coordinated response plans that establish procedures for appropriate interaction with emergency responders to coordinate security measures. Program funds the purchase of interoperable equipment.<br/><b>Interpretation:</b> While NG911 is not specifically mentioned, TSGP investments to enhance security plans, protocols, and assessments may be integrated into NG911 strategic planning and implementation.</p>   |

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| <p><b>Port Security Grant Program (PSGP)</b><br/>PSGP provides funding to port authorities, facility operators, and State and local agencies required to provide security services to implement Area Maritime Transportation Security Plans and facility security plans<br/><a href="https://www.fema.gov/port-security-grant-program">https://www.fema.gov/port-security-grant-program</a></p>   | <p><b>Program Amount:</b> \$100,000,000<br/><b>Application Deadline:</b> 5/29/2019<br/><b>Competitive:</b> Port areas will be selected for funding through a competitive review process; Recipients must provide at least 25% match either cash or in-kind contribution, for all public sector and non-governmental, nonprofit recipients</p> | <p><b>Eligible Applicants:</b> Publicly owned operators of public transportation<br/><b>Objective:</b> Funds improvements to port-wide maritime security risk management, domain awareness, security training and exercises, and maintain or reestablish maritime security mitigation protocols that support port recovery and resiliency capabilities<br/><b>Planning and Organization:</b> Regional communications enhancement; governance integration<br/><b>Training/Exercises:</b> Develop, deliver, attend, and evaluate training and exercises<br/><b>Equipment:</b> Related to interoperable communications, maintenance and sustainment, construction / renovation of communication towers</p>                         | <p><b>NOFO Language:</b> PSGP allows certain construction and renovation costs to achieve capability targets related to preventing, preparing for, protecting against, or responding to acts of terrorism.<br/><b>Interpretation:</b> While NG911 is not specifically mentioned, NG911 activities may be eligible for PSGP funds as the program prioritizes spending on efforts to respond quickly to catastrophic incidents. Qualified interoperable equipment that can be used for NG911 efforts include specialized communications devices for point-to-point communications. Investments on GIS systems are also eligible, which would support emergency communications activities under NG911. Funds for cybersecurity developments may also overlap with NG911 projects.</p>  |
| <p><b>Homeland Security Grant Program (HSGP) / State Homeland Security Program (SHSP)</b><br/>SHSP supports the implementation of risk driven, capabilities-based State Homeland Security Strategies to address capability targets set in urban area, state, and regional Threat and Hazard Identification Risk Assessment and Stakeholder Preparedness Review process, which inform planning, organization, equipment, training, and exercise needs to prevent, protect against, mitigate, respond to, and recover from acts of terrorism and other catastrophic events.<br/><a href="https://www.fema.gov/homeland-security-grant-program">https://www.fema.gov/homeland-security-grant-program</a></p> | <p><b>Program Amount:</b> \$415,000,000<br/><b>Application Deadline:</b> 5/29/2019<br/><b>Formula-based:</b> Amounts for each state/territory are listed in the NOFO</p>  | <p><b>Eligible Applicants:</b> SAAs of states/territories; SAA must pass through 80% to local units of government<br/><b>Objectives:</b> Addresses high priority preparedness gaps across all core capabilities that support terrorism preparedness<br/><b>Planning and Organization:</b> Statewide Interoperability Coordinator position, governance activities, communications plans, standard operating procedures, assessments<br/><b>Training/Exercises:</b> Develop, deliver, attend, and evaluate training and exercises<br/><b>Equipment:</b> Cyber security enhancements, interoperable communications; information technology (IT); maintenance and sustainment (e.g., upgrades, user fees, warranties); supplies</p> | <p><b>NOFO Language:</b> Recipients investing in emergency communications must describe how activities align to the SCIP; as well as coordinate with their Statewide Interoperability Coordinator (SWIC) and/or Statewide Interoperability Governance Body (SIGB) when developing an emergency communications investment prior to submission to ensure the project supports the statewide strategy and is compatible and interoperable with surrounding systems.<br/><b>Interpretation:</b> While NG911 is not specifically mentioned, recipients may integrate NG911 efforts into emergency communications activities that focus on responding to mass casualty incidents or catastrophic events and acts of terrorism. Investments in mobile and portable electronic countermeasure systems, specialized communications devices for point-to-point communications, and cybersecurity projects, may overlap with NG911 implementation.</p> |

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| <p><b>Homeland Security Grant Program / Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI)</b><br/>UASI program addresses the unique risk driven and capabilities-based planning, organization, equipment, training, exercise needs, of high-threat, high-density Urban Areas based on the capability targets identified during the Threat and Hazard Identification Risk Assessment and Stakeholder Preparedness Review process.<br/><a href="https://www.fema.gov/homeland-security-grant-program">https://www.fema.gov/homeland-security-grant-program</a></p>   | <p><b>Program Amount:</b> \$590,000,000<br/><b>Application Deadline:</b> 5/29/2019<br/><b>Formula-based:</b> Amounts for each jurisdiction are listed in the NOFO</p> | <p><b>Eligible Applicants:</b> SAA on behalf of eligible areas listed in the NOFO; SAA must pass through 80% to local units of government in the designated UASI<br/><b>Objectives:</b> Funds a range of preparedness activities including planning, organization, equipment purchase, training, exercises, and management and administration across all core capabilities and mission areas<br/><b>Planning and Organization:</b> Statewide Interoperability Coordinator position, governance activities, communications plans, standard operating procedures, assessments<br/><b>Training/Exercises:</b> Develop, deliver, attend, and evaluate training and exercises<br/><b>Equipment:</b> Cyber security enhancements, interoperable communications; IT; maintenance and sustainment (e.g., upgrades, user fees, warranties); emergency supplies</p> | <p><b>NOFO Language:</b> Recipients investing in emergency communications must describe how activities align to the SCIP, as well as coordinate with their (SWIC and/or SIGB) when developing an emergency communications investment prior to submission to ensure the project supports the statewide strategy and is compatible and interoperable with surrounding systems.<br/><b>Interpretation:</b> While NG911 is not specifically mentioned, recipients may integrate NG911 efforts into emergency communications activities that focus on responding to mass casualty incidents or catastrophic events and acts of terrorism. Investments in mobile and portable electronic countermeasure systems, specialized communications devices for point-to-point communications, cybersecurity projects, and GIS data gathering, may overlap with NG911 implementation.</p> |
| <p><b>Homeland Security Grant Program / Operation Stonegarden (OPSG)</b><br/>OPSG supports enhanced cooperation and coordination among local, tribal, territorial, state, and federal law enforcement agencies in a joint mission to secure the United States' borders along routes of ingress from international borders. This includes travel corridors in states bordering Mexico and Canada, as well as states and territories with international water borders.<br/><a href="https://www.fema.gov/homeland-security-grant-program">https://www.fema.gov/homeland-security-grant-program</a></p> | <p><b>Program Amount:</b> \$90,000,000<br/><b>Application Deadline:</b> 5/29/2019<br/><b>Competitive:</b> States eligible to apply are listed in the NOFO</p>         | <p><b>Eligible Applicants:</b> SAA on behalf of selected OPSG grant recipient; SAA must pass through 100% to selected local units of government<br/><b>Objectives:</b> Funds support to U.S. border security<br/><b>Personnel:</b> 50% cap<br/><b>Planning and Organization:</b> Coordination among jurisdictions, disciplines, various levels of governments (e.g., travel, per diem, overtime)<br/><b>Equipment:</b> Interoperable communications; IT; emergency supplies</p>   | <p><b>NOFO Language:</b> OPSG supports the achievement of the National Preparedness Goal by funding enhancements for responding quickly to save lives, protect property and the environment, and meet basic human needs in the aftermath of a catastrophic incident.<br/><b>Interpretation:</b> While NG911 is not specifically mentioned, OPSG investments to increase operational, material, and technological readiness of state, local, tribal, and territorial law enforcement agencies may be integrated into NG911 activities to ensure timely response to catastrophic incidents.</p>   |

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| <p><b>Tribal Homeland Security Grant Program (THSGP)</b><br/>THSGP supports the building, sustainment, and delivery of core capabilities to enable Tribes to strengthen their capacity to prevent, protect against, mitigate, respond to, and recover from potential terrorist attacks and other hazards.<br/><a href="https://www.fema.gov/tribal-homeland-security-grant-program">https://www.fema.gov/tribal-homeland-security-grant-program</a></p>   | <p><b>Program Amount:</b> \$60,000,000<br/><b>Application Deadline:</b> 5/29/2019<br/><b>Competitive:</b> Selected Tribes may receive funding following a competitive peer review process; No match requirement</p> | <p><b>Eligible Applicants:</b> Federally-recognized Tribes<br/><b>Objectives:</b> Funds homeland security initiatives for Tribes<br/><b>Personnel:</b> 50% cap<br/><b>Planning and Organization:</b> Prioritizing needs; updating preparedness strategies; allocating resources across stakeholder groups and levels of government; implementing standardized resource management concepts<br/><b>Equipment:</b> Related to communications, emergency supplies<br/><b>Maintenance and Sustainment:</b> Upgrades, user fees, warranties<br/><b>Construction and Renovation:</b> Communication towers</p>  | <p><b>NOFO Language:</b> THSGP provides funding directly to eligible Tribes to strengthen capacities to prevent, protect against, mitigate, respond to, and recover from potential terrorist attacks.<br/><b>Interpretation:</b> While NG911 is not specifically mentioned, THSGP funds may be applied to mobile and portable electronic countermeasures systems, specialized communications devices for point-to-point communications, GIS data gathering, and cybersecurity developments that may support NG911 implementation.</p> |
| <p><b>Non-Profit Security Grant Program (NSGP) NSGP-UASI (\$50,000,000):</b> Provides funding support for target hardening activities to nonprofit organizations that are at high risk of terrorist attack and located within one of the UASI-eligible Areas.<br/>NSGP-State (\$10,000,000) Provides funding for nonprofit organizations located outside of FY 2018 UASI-designated Urban Areas.<br/>NSGP promotes coordination and collaboration in emergency preparedness activities among public and private community representatives as well as state and local government agencies.<br/><a href="https://www.fema.gov/nonprofit-security-grant-program">https://www.fema.gov/nonprofit-security-grant-program</a></p> | <p><b>Program Amount:</b> \$60,000,000<br/><b>Application Deadline:</b> 5/29/2019<br/><b>Competitive:</b> Non-profit organizations may receive funding following a competitive review process</p>                   | <p><b>Eligible Applicants:</b> SAA on behalf of non-profit organizations within eligible UASIs; SAA must obligate 100% to selected nonprofit organizations<br/><b>Objectives:</b> Funds integration of preparedness activities for nonprofit organizations with broader state and local preparedness efforts<br/><b>Planning:</b> Development and enhancement of security plans and protocols; development or further strengthening of security assessments; emergency contingency plans; evacuation/shelter-in-place plans<br/><b>Training:</b> Security-related training courses and programs only<br/><b>Equipment:</b> Physical security and inspection/screening systems only<br/><b>Maintenance and Sustainment:</b> Warranties; repair or replacement costs; upgrades; user fees<br/><b>Construction and Renovation:</b> With restrictions meeting prior written approval</p> | <p><b>NOFO Language:</b> NPSG supports the achievement of the National Preparedness Goal by funding enhancements for responding quickly to save lives, protect property and the environment, and meet basic human needs in the aftermath of a catastrophic incident.<br/><b>Interpretation:</b> While NG911 is not specifically mentioned, NG911 strategic planning and implementation activities may be eligible.</p>  |

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| <p><b>Intercity Passenger Rail-Amtrak (IPR) Program</b><br/>IPR Program provides funding to the National Passenger Railroad Corporation (Amtrak) to protect critical surface transportation infrastructure and the traveling public from acts of terrorism and to increase the resilience of the Amtrak rail system.<br/><a href="https://www.fema.gov/intercity-passenger-rail-amtrak">https://www.fema.gov/intercity-passenger-rail-amtrak</a></p>   | <p><b>Program Amount:</b> \$10,000,000<br/><b>Application Deadline:</b> 5/29/2019<br/><b>Cooperative Agreement between FEMA and Amtrak:</b> All funds are awarded to Amtrak</p>                       | <p><b>Eligible Applicants:</b> Private operators providing transportation by an over-the-road bus in UASI jurisdiction<br/><b>Objectives:</b> Funds transportation infrastructure security activities for the Amtrak System<br/><b>Planning:</b> Security plans; protocols; education; outreach<br/><b>Training and Exercises:</b> Crew communication and coordination; emergency preparedness drills and exercises<br/><b>Equipment:</b> Related to interoperable communications, maintenance and sustainment, construction / renovation of communication towers</p>   | <p><b>NOFO Language:</b> Direct costs eligible include construction and renovation costs to achieve capability targets related to preventing, preparing for, protecting against, or responding to acts of terrorism are allowed under this program.<br/><b>Interpretation:</b> While NG911 is not specifically mentioned, NG911 strategic planning and implementation activities may be eligible.</p>  |
| <p><b>Intercity Bus Security Grant Program (IBSGP)</b><br/>IBSGP provides funding to owners and operators of intercity bus systems located within the UASI-eligible Urban Areas, to protect critical surface transportation infrastructure and the traveling public from acts of terrorism and to increase the resilience of transit infrastructure.<br/><a href="https://www.fema.gov/intercity-bus-security-grant-program">https://www.fema.gov/intercity-bus-security-grant-program</a></p> | <p><b>Program Amount:</b> \$2,000,000<br/><b>Application Deadline:</b> 5/29/2019<br/><b>Competitive:</b> Eligible applicants must complete a vulnerability assessment and develop a security plan</p> | <p><b>Eligible Applicants:</b> Private operators providing transportation by an over-the-road bus in UASI jurisdiction<br/><b>Objectives:</b> Funds critical infrastructure hardening and physical security enhancements to support transit operators serving the Nation's highest-risk metropolitan areas<br/><b>Planning and Organization:</b> Governance integration<br/><b>Training/Exercises:</b> Develop, deliver, attend, and evaluate training and exercises<br/><b>Equipment:</b> Cybersecurity enhancements, facility security; vehicle / driver security, construction and renovation of systems</p> | <p><b>NOFO Language:</b> Supports emergency communications technologies that focus on theft prevention, real-time bus inventory, tracking, monitoring, and locating technologies, as well as coordinating with emergency responders to address the response to and recovery from a catastrophic event or a terrorist attack.<br/><b>Interpretation:</b> While NG911 is not specifically mentioned, NG911 strategic planning and implementation may overlap with IBSGP projects that include emergency communications technologies, as well as investments for GIS data gathering and cybersecurity developments.</p> |

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| <p><b>Small Business Innovation Research (SBIR)</b> The SBIR program is a congressionally mandated small business set-aside designed to stimulate technological innovation and foster small business and private sector commercialization of innovations derived from federal Research and Development.<br/><a href="https://www.dhs.gov/science-and-technology/sbir">https://www.dhs.gov/science-and-technology/sbir</a></p>  | <p><b>Program Amount:</b> Phase I awards are limited to \$100,000; Phase II awards are limited to \$750,000; Phase III awards is unlimited<br/><b>Application Deadline:</b> 2/12/2019<br/><b>Competitive:</b> Each grant proposal will be evaluated on relevance of the specific concept as it relates to SBIR topics</p>  | <p><b>Eligible Applicants:</b> Small businesses<br/><b>Objectives:</b> Funds research to develop new processes, products, and technologies in support of the missions of the U.S. government<br/><b>Research and Development:</b> Consist of topics relevant to the Reach-Back Capability for Fielded Rapid DNA Systems; ICAM On-the-Fly; On Body Power Module for First Responders; Modeling-based Design of Sensors for Chemical Detection in Complex Environment; Synthetic Training Data for Explosive Detection Machine Learning Algorithms; Cybersecurity Peer-to-Peer Knowledge/ Lessons Learned Tool; Blockchain Applications for Homeland Security Forensic Analytics; Network Modeling for Risk Assessment; Detector Integration with Current and Emerging Networked Systems; Unmanned Aerial System Autonomous Search of Limited Area for Radiological Threats</p> | <p><b>NOFO Language:</b> Supports research projects that enable first responders to communicate seamlessly, a next generation communications system must include the following features: multimedia; user friendly; scalable; streamlined; ruggedized; weight and size; and availability.<br/><b>Interpretation:</b> While NG911 is not specifically mentioned, SBIR investments may support NG911 strategic planning and implementation as part of next generation communications systems and cybersecurity enhancements.</p> |
| <b>Department of Justice (DOJ)</b>   |  |   |  |
| <p><b>Community Oriented Policing Services Coordinated Tribal Assistance Solicitation (CTAS)</b><br/>CTAS seeks to improve public safety and victim services in Tribal communities. The program provides federally-recognized Tribes and Tribal consortia an opportunity to develop a comprehensive and coordinated approach to public safety and victimization issues and to apply for funding.<br/><a href="https://cops.usdoj.gov/ctas">https://cops.usdoj.gov/ctas</a></p> | <p><b>Program Amount:</b> Tribes with a sworn force of 1-9 officers are eligible for \$300,000; 10-20 officers are eligible for \$600,000; 20+ officers are eligible for \$1,000,000<br/><b>Application Deadline:</b> 2/26/2019<br/><b>Competitive:</b> Applications focus on: enhance law enforcement, bolster justice systems, prevent youth substance abuse, address violence against women, serve crime victims, and support other efforts to combat crime</p> | <p><b>Eligible Applicants:</b> Federally-recognized Tribes or Tribal consortiums<br/><b>Objectives:</b> Funds implementation of community policing and meets the most serious needs of law enforcement in Tribal Nations<br/><b>Personnel:</b> Staff for technical assistance, law enforcement officers<br/><b>Training:</b> Develop, deliver, attend, and evaluate training<br/><b>Equipment:</b> Uniforms, basic issue equipment, technology, and vehicles</p>  | <p><b>NOFO Language:</b> Applying for funding could include technology such as computer hardware and software, mobile data terminals, narrowband radio upgrades, and dispatch and communication systems.<br/><b>Interpretation:</b> While NG911 is not specifically mentioned, CTAS funds may be applied to purchasing communications systems as part of NG911 implementation.</p>   |

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| <p><b>Community Oriented Policing Services Community Policing Development (CPD)</b><br/>CPD program advances the practice of community policing in law enforcement agencies through the development and testing of innovative strategies; building knowledge about effective practices and outcomes; and supporting new, creative approaches to preventing crime and promoting safe communities.<br/><a href="https://cops.usdoj.gov/cpd">https://cops.usdoj.gov/cpd</a></p> | <p><b>Program Amount:</b> Up to \$6,000,000 available<br/><b>Application Deadline:</b> 5/28/2019<br/><b>Competitive:</b> Awards or cooperative agreements granted to projects related to public safety topics</p> | <p><b>Eligible Applicants:</b> Public government agencies, for-profit and nonprofit institutions, institutes of higher education, community groups, and faith-based organizations<br/><b>Objectives:</b> Funds implementation of community policing by the nation's state, local, territorial, and tribal law enforcement agencies<br/><b>Personnel:</b> Staff for project activities, contractors<br/><b>Training:</b> Travel-related costs<br/><b>Equipment:</b> Technology, supplies</p>  | <p><b>NOFO Language:</b> CPD funding is used to develop knowledge, increase awareness of effective community policing strategies, increase the skills and abilities of law enforcement and community partners, increase the number of law enforcement agencies and relevant stakeholders using proven community policing practices, and institutionalize community policing practice in routine business.<br/><b>Interpretation:</b> While NG911 is not specifically mentioned, CPD recipients may integrate NG911 activities into planning related to community policing through partnerships, organizational management and systems, and problem-solving techniques. These efforts can address public safety issues such as crime, social disorder, and fear of crime.</p> |
| <p><b>Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program (JAG)</b><br/>JAG funds support all components of the criminal justice system, from multi-jurisdictional drug and gang task forces to crime prevention and domestic violence programs, courts, corrections, treatment, and justice information sharing initiatives.<br/><a href="https://www.bja.gov/jag/">https://www.bja.gov/jag/</a></p>   | <p><b>Program Amount:</b> Up to \$176,700,000<br/><b>Application Deadline:</b> 6/25/2019<br/><b>Formula-based:</b> JAG awards are based on a statutory formula in the solicitation</p>                            | <p><b>Eligible Applicants:</b> Local government units, which include a town, township, village, parish, city, county borough, or political subdivision of a state; federally-recognized Tribes; law enforcement district; judicial enforcement district established under state law<br/><b>Objectives:</b> Funds program areas including law enforcement, prosecution, indigent defense, courts, crime prevention and education, corrections and community corrections, drug treatment and enforcement, planning, evaluation, technology improvement, and crime victim and witness initiatives and mental health programs and related law enforcement and corrections programs, including behavioral programs and crisis intervention teams<br/><b>Personnel:</b> Technical assistance, contractual support<br/><b>Training:</b> Develop and deliver trainings<br/><b>Equipment:</b> Supplies, information systems for criminal justice<br/><b>Research and Development:</b> Criminal justice-related research and evaluation activities</p> | <p><b>NOFO Language:</b> Funds may be used to provide additional personnel, equipment, supplies, contractual support, training, technical assistance, and information systems related to criminal justice.<br/><b>Interpretation:</b> While NG911 is not specifically mentioned, JAG recipients should consider integrating NG911 strategies to improve functioning of the criminal justice system where applicable.</p>   |

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