



Public Safety Grants Update

October 17, 2024



FEMA Grant Meetings (DC)

- Dr. TeNeane Bradford, Grants Program Administrator
- Derrick Hiebert, Assistant Administrator, Hazard Mitigation
- Ash Fields:
 - Already purchased:
 - » Communications Infrastructure
 - » Steel for tower
 - » Solar power system
 - Need:
 - » Tower erection
 - » Installation of Communications infrastructure
 - » Building
 - » Road
- Hazard Mitigation Grant:
 - Can't include communications equipment
 - Can't include towers
 - Are there other agencies that can qualify for this grant to free up funds to support Ash Fields?



COPS Grant Meetings (DC)

- Rob Chapman, Deputy Director
- Shannon Long, Assistant Director
- COPS Grants – focused on funding officers
- Administers Congressionally Directed Spending (CDS)
- Fully briefed on Ash Fields needs
- Call into Cadence Matijevich to explore which Congressperson should be approached
- Provided Congressman Amodei's FY24 Request Form

Community Oriented Policing Services



- **COPS School Violence Prevention Program (SVPP) (possible offset of \$'s)**

Description: Provides funding to improve security at schools and on school grounds through evidence-based school safety programs, including the improvement of radio communication systems.

This would be an ideal option for Washoe County School District.

Open annually, March or April

- **Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity (RAISE)**

Description: Formerly known as the BUILD and TIGER grant programs, provides funding for road, rail, transit, and port projects that have a significant local or regional impact. The program emphasizes projects that enhance safety, environmental sustainability, and equity. While typically focused on infrastructure, this grant could potentially support transportation-related communication needs, including radio systems for county public safety agencies.

Open annually, with specific application dates.



- **Assistance to Firefighters Grant (AFG)**

Description: Helps fire departments and non-affiliated EMS organizations acquire critically needed equipment, protective gear, emergency vehicles, training, and other resources necessary to protect the public and emergency personnel. A regional application, involving all fire departments in the county, could be submitted to request upgraded portable radios.

Opens annually, November or January

- **Emergency Management Performance Grant (EMPG)**

Description: Provides provides funding to assist state and local governments in preparing for all hazards through planning, operations, equipment acquisition, training, and exercises. The state's Division of Emergency Management typically applies to FEMA for these funds, and they are then distributed to counties.

Closed in June 2024



- **Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities (BRIC) Grant**

Description: Managed by FEMA, supports states, local communities, tribes, and territories as they undertake hazard mitigation projects, reducing the risks they face from disasters and natural hazards. This grant focuses on proactive community planning and infrastructure resilience, making it an ideal choice for large-scale projects like antenna and radio equipment installation.

Expected to open in June

- **Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP) (possible offset of \$'s)**

Description: Provides funding to state, local, tribal, and territorial governments to implement long-term hazard mitigation measures after a major disaster declaration. The program helps communities implement hazard mitigation projects to reduce the risk of future disasters.

Closed in July 2024



- **Non-Profit Security Grant Program (NSGP) (possible offset of \$'s)**

Description: Provides funding to nonprofit organizations to enhance their physical security. Typically, awards range from \$100,000 to \$150,000 per applicant. Eligible activities include security enhancements and other emergency preparedness measures.

Currently Closed

- **State Homeland Security Grant Program (SHSGP)**

Description: Supports the building, sustainment, and delivery of core capabilities essential to achieving the National Preparedness Goal of a secure and resilient nation. These grants are available for states and local communities, often with smaller award amounts in the \$100,000 to \$150,000 range.

Currently Closed