

# PROPOSAL EVALUATION

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# A. EVALUATION SCORING CRITERIA

Funding will be awarded to the highest-ranked proposals. Evaluation of the proposals is based on five scored criteria, totaling 37 points.

#### **Evaluation Criteria**

Section I. Applicant InformationNot ScoredSection II. Background2Possible PointsSection III. Risk12Possible PointsSection IV. Target Hardening14Possible PointsSection V. Milestones4Possible PointsSection VI. Impact5Possible PointsFunding HistoryNot Scored

Points may be deducted during the rating process based on negative past performance under a prior FL-NSGP or NSGP award (i.e. funds disencumbered, failure to submit required documents).

FDEM Peer Reviewers will review and approve projects which meet the criteria based on the scoring system established for this program. All projects must be completed within the period of performance. All applicable FL-NSGP or NSGP guidelines and policies remain in effect for the grant.

#### **B. EVALUATION CRITERIA DEFINED**

The FL-NSGP application includes:

#### Section I. Applicant Information (Not Scored)

- Legal Name of the Organization: This is the name on the 501(c)(3) Letter of Determination or exact name registered with the Secretary of State's Office
- Physical Address of the Project(s) Location: Indicate the address of the project location



# FLORIDA NONPROFIT SECURITY GRANT PROGRAM (FL-NSGP) SCORING RUBRIC

- **Mailing Address, if different:** Indicate the Applicant's administrative office address, if different from project location
- **Contact Information:** Email address, website address, primary and secondary points of contact
- **Organization Type:** Short description of organization's ideology, beliefs, and mission
- **501(c)(3) status:** Indicate if the Applicant's organization is a federally recognized nonprofit or is a nonprofit eligible organization
- Funding Request: A maximum of \$150,000 can be requested.
- Primary Organization Type: Select from the drop-down menu
- **Organization's Primary Affiliation:** Select from the drop-down menu

# Section II. Background Information (2 Possible Points)

- Describe the symbolic value of the site as a highly recognized national or historical institution or significant institution within the community that renders the site as a possible target of violent attacks or hate crimes due to ideology, beliefs, or mission
- Describe any previous or existing role in responding to or recovering from violent attacks or hate crimes due to ideology, beliefs, or mission

# Section III. Risk (12 Possible Points)

- **Threat:** Applicant should discuss the identification and substantiation of specific threats or attacks against the nonprofit organization
- **Vulnerabilities:** Applicant should discuss the organization's susceptibility to destruction, incapacitation, or exploitation
- **Potential Consequences:** Applicant should discuss potential negative effects on the organization's asset, system, and/or network if damaged, destroyed, or disrupted by a terrorist

# Section IV. Target Hardening (14 Possible Points)

Describe each proposed activity or investment and the identified threat or vulnerability that it addresses as well as the associated cost for each activity or investment. Allowable costs are focused on target hardening activities, planning-related costs, contracted security personnel, security-related training courses, and programs limited to the protection of critical infrastructure key resources, including physical and cyber security, target hardening, and terrorism awareness/employee preparedness. Funding can also be used for the acquisition and installation of security equipment on real property.



#### Section V. Milestones (4 Possible Points)

Provide a description and associated grant activities that lead to the milestone event. Start dates should reflect the start of the associated grant activities and end dates should reflect when the milestone event will be completed.

#### Section VI. Impact (5 Possible Points)

Explain how the organization/facility will be safer at the end of the FY 2023 FL-NSGP period of performance.

#### Funding History (not scored)

If the nonprofit organization has received NSGP or FL-NSGP funding in the past, provide the fund source, funding year, and total funding received. FDEM will verify and confirm the information provided by the Applicant in this section.

#### C. FUNDING RECOMMENDATION

Final funding decisions are made by the Director of FDEM. Funding recommendations are based on the following:

- The ranked score of the application
- Consideration of funding priorities
- Prior negative administrative and programmatic performance, if applicable

Projects previously funded by FDEM will be reviewed for past compliance, including fiscal management, progress and annual reports, audit reports, and other relevant documentation or information. This review may result in one or more of the following actions:

- The project may not be selected for funding
- The amount of funding may be reduced
- Grant Subaward Special Conditions may be included in the Grant Subaward

# D. NOTIFICATION PROCESS

Applicants will be notified of the results of the rating process in writing. Applicants not selected for funding will receive a notification letter containing their average score and information on the appeal process.



# E. POST AWARD REQUIREMENTS

Applicants identified for funding must submit all required documentation listed in the FY 2023 FL-NSGP Guidance and attend a Required Documents Workshop or Webinar. Failure to submit the required documents by the deadline may result in DEMES reallocating the funding to the next applicant on the list and termination of the subaward.

FL-NSGP Awardees must comply with state and federal regulations, including applicable provisions of the Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards, as stipulated in the <u>REFERENCE GUIDE FOR STATE EXPENDITURES</u>.

All grant funds must be expended by the end of the Grant Subaward period of performance, and final reimbursements must be submitted to FDEM within twenty (20) calendar days of the grant expiration date.