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"Several years of investment have taken us largely from capability building to performance-based planning and investment," said Homeland Security Secretary Michael Chertoff. "This year's funding priorities are consistent with last year, and reflect a mature and disciplined grants program. We are now in the position of being able to inform high threat urban areas of their target allocations ahead of time, which will go a long way in helping their applications."

DHS also is announcing for the first time FY 2009 targeted allocations under the State Homeland Security Program and Urban Areas Security Initiative. This is the result of direct stakeholder feedback and will assist states and urban areas in writing investment justifications that reflect available grant resources. The department will continue to use the peer review process and applicants' effectiveness scores in determining final allocations.

The grant program allocations for FY 2009:

- **Homeland Security Grant Program (HSGP) – \$1.7 billion.** FY 2009 HSGP funding priorities are targeted for either states or urban areas, and reflect capabilities that are most critical to build in those jurisdictions. At least 25 percent of the total FY 2009 HSGP funding must be dedicated for activities involving planning, training and exercises in building or sustaining capabilities. HSGP is comprised of four programs:
 - **State Homeland Security Program (SHSP) – \$861.3 million** to strengthen and build state, territorial and local preparedness capabilities through planning, equipment, training and exercise activities.
 - **Urban Areas Security Initiative (UASI) – \$798.6 million** to enhance regional preparedness by strengthening capabilities in 62 high-threat, high-density urban areas across the country. The seven highest risk urban areas will compete for approximately \$439 million, or 55 percent of available funds, while the remaining areas will compete for about \$359 million, or 45 percent of the funds.
 - (Law Enforcement Terrorism Prevention Activities—Although the FY 2009 DHS Appropriations Act did not provide a separate appropriation for a Law Enforcement Terrorism Prevention Program, the 911 Act requires grantees to dedicate at least 25 percent from both SHSP and UASI funds for law enforcement terrorism prevention activities.)
 - **Metropolitan Medical Response System Program (MMRS) – \$39.8 million** is divided evenly among 124 MMRS jurisdictions to enhance and sustain comprehensive regional mass casualty incident response and preparedness capabilities.
 - **Citizen Corps Program (CCP) – \$14.6 million** for states and territories to bring community and



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Fact Sheet: Fiscal Year 2009 Preparedness Grants

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What's New for FY 2009

- FY 2009 HSGP funding focuses on six priorities, tailored to either states or urban areas:
 - measuring progress against the National Preparedness Guidelines
 - strengthening preparedness planning, training and exercises
 - strengthening improvised explosive devices (IEDs), IED deterrence, prevention, protection and response capabilities
 - emphasizing information sharing capabilities
 - strengthening medical readiness
 - strengthening preventive radiological/nuclear detection capabilities
- DHS is announcing targeted grant allocations up front for the State Homeland Security Program (SHSP) and the Urban Areas Security Initiative (IASI), enabling states and urban areas to write investment justifications that reflect available resources.
- The Department is providing grant funding where it is needed most. Under the FY 2009 HSGP, states will be able to apply for funding for critical emergency supplies such as shelf stable meals and water.
- The Department has made personnel cost changes in the Homeland Security Grant Program, removing further restrictions on allowable personnel expenses up to 50 percent established by the 9/11 Act and the PRICE Act. In addition, the three-year limit on funding intelligence analysis has been removed under the HSGP.
- States bordering Canada (including Alaska), southern states bordering Mexico, and states and territories with International water borders are eligible for funding under the FY 2009 Operation Stonegarden. Previous grants were restricted to states located on a land border.
- Emergency Operation Center construction and renovation are now allowable expenses under the FY 2009 Emergency Management Performance Grant Program.
- The requirement for cash or in-kind matches for grants has been removed from the FY 2009 Transit Security Grant Program, the Freight Rail Security Grant Program and the Intercity Passenger Rail (Amtrak) program.



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FY 2009 Homeland Security Grant Program Overview

Key Highlights:

- **Deadline for grant submission is March 20, 2009**
- Seven preparedness programs within the Homeland Security Grant Program
- DHS has created multiple opportunities for applicants to consult with the department's Grant Programs Directorate and subject matter experts during the review process and prior to the announcement of awards

Homeland Security Grant Program Overview Funding Distribution – FY 2008 and FY 2009

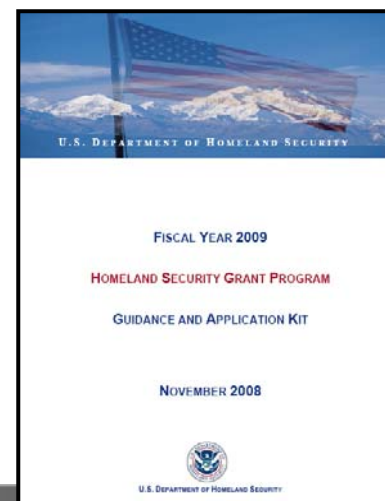
Program	FY 2008	FY 2009
Homeland Security Grant Program	\$1,697,314,000	\$1,714,300,154
State Homeland Security Program	\$861,280,000	\$861,265,000
Urban Areas Security Initiative	\$781,630,000	\$798,631,250
Metropolitan Medical Response System	\$39,831,500	\$39,831,404
Citizen Corps Program	\$14,572,500	\$14,572,500
State Homeland Security Program – Tribal	\$1,645,000	\$1,660,000
UASI Nonprofit Security Grant Program	\$15,000,000	\$15,000,000
Operation Stonegarden	\$60,000,000	\$60,000,000
TOTAL	\$1,773,959,000	\$1,790,960,154



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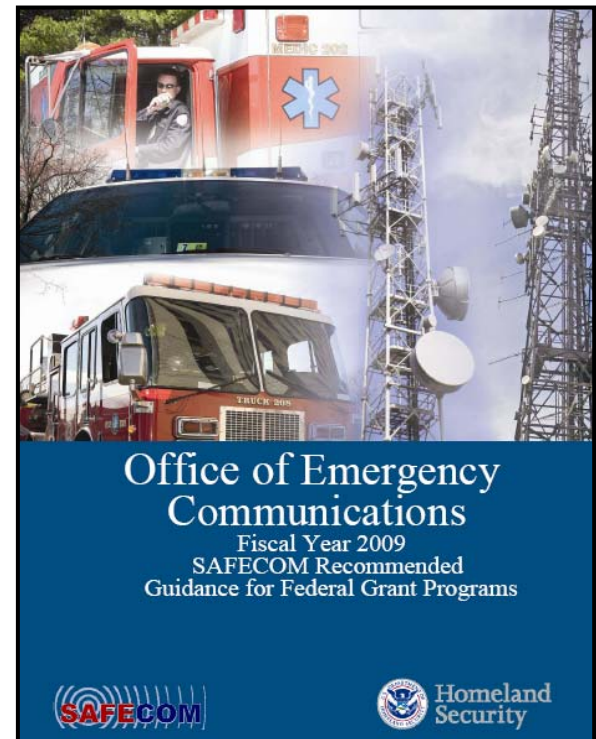
FY 2009 SAFECOM Recommended Guidance for Federal Grant Programs

This document outlines recommended allowable costs and applications requirements for Federal grant programs providing funding for interoperable emergency communications.

The recommendations are designed to ensure that Federal grant funding for interoperable emergency communications is aligned with National goals, objectives and initiatives established by the National Emergency Communications Plan (NECP).



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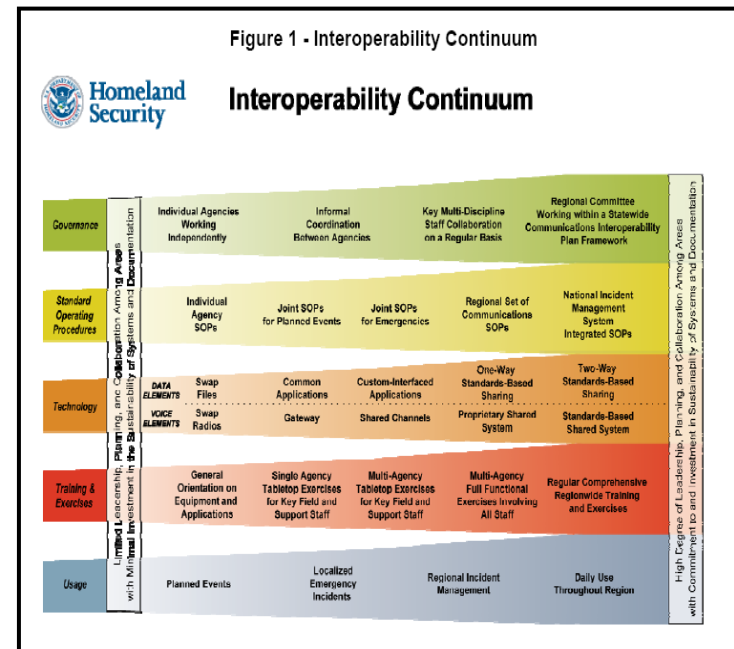
FY 2009 Interoperable Emergency Communications Grant Program

Key Highlights:

- **Deadline for grant submission is January 13, 2009**
- Total amount of funds distributed under IECGP will be \$48,575,000
- Each State will receive a minimum allocation under IECGP using the thresholds established in the 9/11 Act.
- The State Administrative Agency (SAA) is the only eligible entity to apply for EMPG funds on behalf of the State and local emergency management agencies



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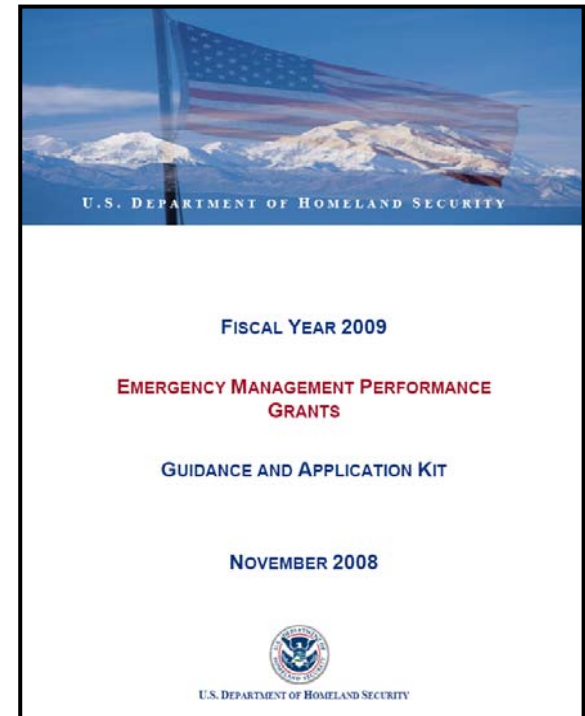


Key Highlights:

- **Deadline for grant submission is December 19, 2008**
- Total amount of funds distributed under EMPG will be \$306,022,500
- The State Administrative Agency (SAA) is the only eligible entity to apply for EMPG funds on behalf of the State and local emergency management agencies



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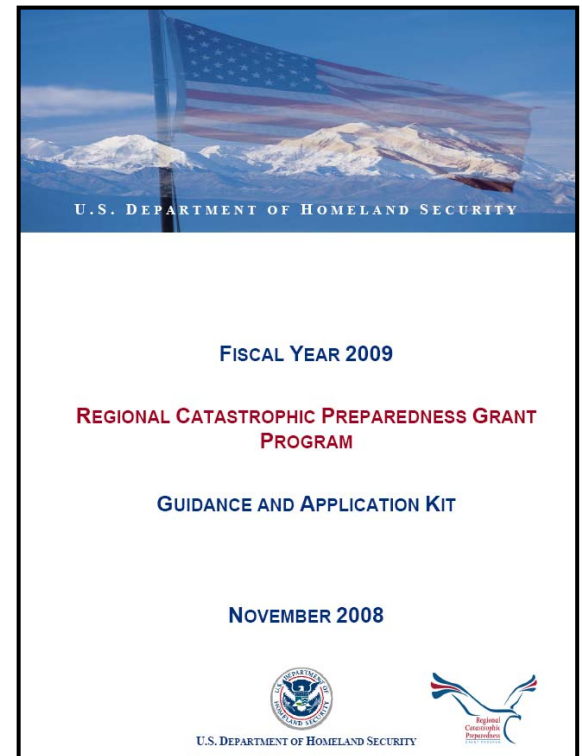
FY 2009 Regional Catastrophic Preparedness Grant

Key Highlights:








- **Deadline for grant submission is March 20, 2009**
- Total amount of funds distributed under the Regional Catastrophic Preparedness Grant Program will be \$34,002,500.
- The State Administrative Agency (SAA) is the only eligible entity to apply for RCPGP funds.



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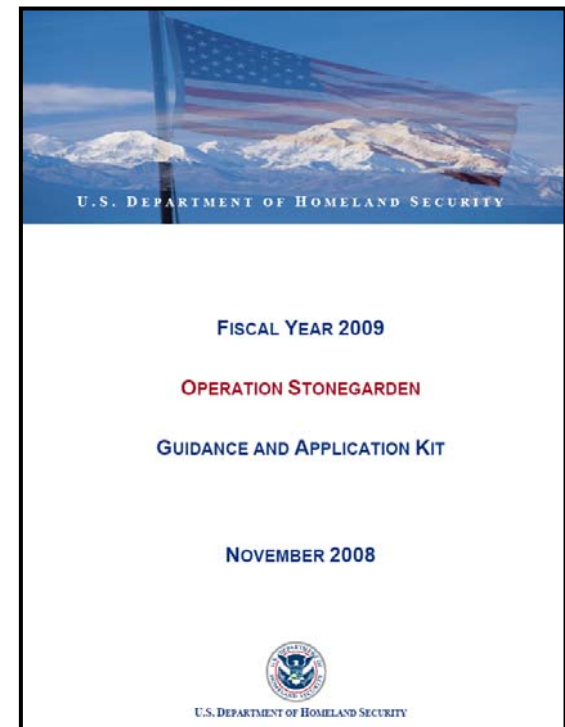
	Grant Deadline	Grant Highlights	
Port Security	Jan. 13, 2009	Total funds distributed under the PSGP will be \$388,600,000	View Details 
Transit Security	Jan. 13, 2009	Total funds distributed under the TSGP will be \$388,600,000	View Details 
Freight Rail	Jan. 13, 2009	Total funds distributed under the FRSGP will be \$15,000,000	View Details 
Intercity Passenger Rail	Jan. 13, 2009	Total funds distributed under the IPR will be \$25,000,000	View Details 
Trucking Security	Jan. 13, 2009	Total funds distributed under the TSP will be \$7,772,000	View Details 
Intercity Bus Security	Jan. 13, 2009	Total funds distributed under the IBSGP will be \$11,658,000	View Details 
Buffer Zone Protection	Jan. 13, 2009	Total funds distributed under the BZPP will be \$48,575,000	View Details 

FY 2009 Operation Stonegarden (border security)

- **Deadline for grant submission is March 20, 2009**
- Total amount of funds distributed under OPSG will be \$60,000,000
- The State Administrative Agency (SAA) is the only eligible entity to apply for OPSG funds on behalf of the county or similar level of government and Federally-recognized tribal governments.
- Total number of applicants increased from 15 in FY 2008 to 38 in FY 2009.



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