State Homeland Security Grant Programs

Reference No: AMD 61869

AP/AL: Appropriation Project Type: Life / Health / Safety

Recipient: NA Category: Public Protection

Location: Statewide **House District:** Statewide (HD 1 - 40)

Impact House District: Statewide (HD 1 - 40) Contact: Bob Ernisse

Estimated Project Dates: 07/01/2024 - 06/30/2029 Contact Phone: (907)428-7210

Brief Summary and Statement of Need:

Federal receipt authority for the State Homeland Security Program (SHSP), Building Resilient Infrastructure in Communities (BRIC) Grants, Emergency Management Performance Grant (EMPG), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) grant, and State and Local Cybersecurity Grant.

Funding:	FY2025	FY2026	FY2027	FY2028	FY2029	FY2030	Total
1002 Fed	\$18,166,100	_	_		_		\$18,166,100
Rcpts 1003 GF/Match	\$2,471,600						\$2,471,600
Total:	\$20,637,700	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$20,637,700
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Operating & Maintenance Costs:

	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Staff</u>
Project Development:	0	0
Ongoing Operating:	0	0
One-Time Startup:	0	
Totals:	0	0

FY2025 Request:

\$20,637,700

Prior Funding History / Additional Information:

Sec11 Ch11 SLA2022 P90 L18 HB281 \$9,000,000

Sec8 Ch1 SLA2021 P74 L18 HB69 \$7,500,000

Sec5 Ch8 SLA2020 P66 L11 HB205 \$4,500,000

Sec1 Ch3 SLA2019 P5 L8 SB19 \$4,500,000

Sec1 Ch19 SLA2018 P7 L17 SB142 \$8,500,000

Sec1 Ch1 SLA2017 P5 L21 SB23 \$6,000,000

Sec1 Ch2 SLA2016 P5 L12 SB138 \$4,500,000

Sec1 Ch38 SLA2015 P5 L12 SB26 \$4,500,000

Sec1 Ch18 SLA2014 P55 L32 SB119 \$4,500,000

Sec1 Ch16 SLA2013 P69 L21 SB18 \$9,500,000

Project Description/Justification:

These grants improve preparedness, response, mitigation, and recovery abilities of local and State governments, which are core capabilities critical to achieving the Department of Homeland Security's National Preparedness Goal.

The SHSP supports State and local efforts to prevent terrorism and other catastrophic events, requiring 80 percent of the funding be passed to local units of government and no less than 25

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percent used for law enforcement terrorism prevention activities. There is no State cost-share required for State Homeland Security Program (SHSP). Allocation for SHSP is based on eligible equipment or activities and Alaska's priorities developed through the Threat and Hazard Identification and Risk Assessment (THIRA) program. Funding is used for equipment acquisition and deployment, development of homeland security and/or emergency management plans, and training and exercises for first responders.

The Building Resilient Infrastructure in Communities (BRIC) grant assists states, tribal governments, and local communities with implementing a sustained natural hazard mitigation program. While a portion of the funding is used to update or develop hazard mitigation plans for the state and local jurisdictions, the remainder is nationally competed for to fund hazard mitigation projects. Allocation for BRIC is based on federal appropriations and priorities developed through the State of Alaska Hazard Mitigation Plan, the BRIC Grant requires a 25 percent non-federal cost-share funded by local jurisdictions for competitive projects or through funds from State disaster declarations.

Emergency Management Performance Grant (EMPG)provides critical assistance to sustain and enhance state and local emergency management capabilities at the State and local levels for all-hazard mitigation, preparedness, response and recovery including coordination of inter-governmental (federal, state, regional, local, tribal) resources, joint operations, and mutual aid compacts state-to-state and nationwide. Sub-recipients must be compliant with National Incident Management System (NIMS) implementation as a condition for receipt of funds.

The NOAA grant funds an Emergency Management Specialist II position and sirens, community outreach, and sub grants to University of Alaka Fairbanks and Department of Natural Resources.

The State and Local Cybersecurity Grant program supports state, local, and tribal governments in improving cybersecurity and addressing cybersecurity threats and risks to their Information Technology systems. Eighty percent of funding is required to be passed to local and tribal governments. Within that, a minimum of 25 percent is required go to rural areas.

If not funded, communities across Alaska would be denied opportunity to improve their resilience posture in anticipation of, or in reaction to, man-made or natural disasters.