

FY 2013 Emergency Communications Financial Assistance Programs

The following list details Federal financial assistance opportunities that support emergency communications. Please note that other Federal financial assistance opportunities may exist. It is recommended that any entity seeking emergency communications related funding also refer to www.grants.gov to determine if other opportunities are available.

D/A	Office	Program	Acronym	FY	Program Description	Application Deadline	Website(s)
DHS	FEMA	Assistance to Firefighters Grant	AFG	2013	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.	12/6/2013, 5 pm EST Please check the FEMA website provided for the most up-to-date information.	http://www.fema.gov/assistance-firefighters-grant
USDA	RUS	Community Connect		2013	The Community Connect Grant Program provides financial assistance to furnish broadband service in unserved, often isolated, rural communities. The grants are used to establish broadband service for critical facilities such as fire or police stations, while also providing service to residents and businesses.	TBD Please check the USDA website provided for the most up-to-date information.	http://www.rurdev.usda.gov/utp_commconnect.html
USDA	RUS	Community Facilities		2013	The Community Facilities Programs provide loans, grants, and loan guarantees for water and environmental projects, as well as community facilities projects. Water and environmental projects include water systems, waste systems, solid waste, and storm drainage facilities. Community facilities projects develop essential community facilities for public use in rural areas and may include hospitals, fire protection, safety, as well as many other community-based initiatives.	Varies Please check the USDA website for more information on the application process.	http://www.rurdev.usda.gov/HCF_CF.html

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DOJ	COPS	Community Oriented Policing Services Community Policing Development	COPS CPD	2013	CPD funds are used to advance the practice of community policing in law enforcement agencies through training and technical assistance, the development of innovative community policing strategies, applied research, guidebooks, and best practices that are national in scope.	5/24/2013 Extension expected due to website issues	http://cops.usdoj.gov/Default.asp?Item=2682
DOJ	COPS	Community Oriented Policing Services Coordinated Tribal Assistance Solicitation	COPS CTAS	2013	The COPS Office provides a portion of CTAS funding for through Purpose Area #1, Tribal Resources Hiring Grant Program and Tribal Resources Grant Equipment/Training. Funding provided to improve public safety and enhance community policing to federally recognize Tribal jurisdictions with established law enforcement agencies.	3/19/2013	http://www.cops.usdoj.gov/Default.asp?Item=2489
DOJ	OJP	Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program	JAG	2013	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. JAG funds may be used for State and local initiatives, technical assistance, training, personnel, equipment, supplies, contractual support, information systems for criminal justice, and criminal justice-related research and evaluation activities.	5/30/2013	https://www.bja.gov/ProgramDetails.aspx?Program_ID=59

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DHS	FEMA	Emergency Management Performance Grant	EMPG	2013	The EMPG assists State and local governments in enhancing and sustaining their all-hazards emergency management capabilities. The Metropolitan Medical Response System (MMRS) and the Emergency Operations Center (EOC) Programs are no longer funded in FY 2012; however, costs that were previously allowed under these programs are allowable under EMPG.	6/24/2013	http://www.fema.gov/preparedness-non-disaster-grants
DHS	FEMA	Fire Prevention and Safety	FP&S	2013	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.	TBD Please check the FEMA website provided for the most up-to-date information.	http://www.fema.gov/fire-prevention-safety-grants
DHS	FEMA	Homeland Security Grant Program Operation Stonegarden	HSGP OPSG	2013	The OPSG Program provides funding to designated localities to enhance cooperation and coordination between Federal, State, local, tribal, and territorial law enforcement agencies in a joint mission to secure the U.S. borders. The OPSG is now a sub-grant of the DHS Homeland Security Grant Program.	6/24/2013	http://www.fema.gov/preparedness-non-disaster-grants

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DHS	FEMA	Homeland Security Grant Program State Homeland Security Program	HSGP SHSP	2013	The SHSP provides funds to build capabilities at the State and local levels and to implement the goals and objectives included in State homeland security strategies and initiatives in their State Preparedness Report. SHSP supports law enforcement terrorism prevention-oriented planning, organization, training, exercise, and equipment activities, including those activities which support the development and operation of fusion centers.	6/24/2013	http://www.fema.gov/preparedness-non-disaster-grants
DHS	FEMA	Homeland Security Grant Program Urban Area Strategic Initiative	HSGP UASI	2013	The UASI program focuses on enhancing regional preparedness in major metropolitan areas. The UASI program directly supports the National Priority on expanding regional collaboration in the National Preparedness Guidelines and is intended to assist participating jurisdictions in developing integrated regional systems for prevention, protection, response, and recovery.	6/24/2013	http://www.fema.gov/preparedness-non-disaster-grants
HHS	ASPR	Hospital Preparedness Program	HPP	2013	The mission of HPP is to ready hospitals and other healthcare systems through enhanced surge capacity, capability, and in collaboration with other partners, to deliver coordinated and effective care to victims of terrorism and other public health emergencies, and improve community preparedness and resiliency. This cooperative agreement supports interoperable communications equipment, systems, training, and exercises. This is an extension of a previously-issued cooperative agreement; eligible applicants are limited to those currently funded under the HPP Cooperative Agreement and the Public Health Emergency Preparedness (PHEP) Cooperative Agreement.	5/1/2013	http://www.phe.gov/Preparedness/planning/hpp/Pages/funding.aspx

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DHS	FEMA	Intercity Passenger Rail - Amtrak	Amtrak	2013	The purpose of IPR is to create a sustainable, risk-based effort to protect critical surface transportation infrastructure and the traveling public from acts of terrorism, major disasters, and other emergencies within the Amtrak rail system.	6/24/2013	http://www.fema.gov/preparedness-non-disaster-grants
DHS	FEMA	National Special Security Event	NSSE	2013	The purpose of the NSSE Grant Program is to provide supplemental Federal assistance to State, local, tribal, and territorial governments for certain actual costs of providing emergency management, public safety, and security during the preparation and conduct of an NSSE.	Rolling basis	http://www.fema.gov/preparedness-non-disaster-grants
DHS	FEMA	Non-Profit Security Grant Program	NSGP	2013	The UASI NSGP provides funding to support nonprofit organizations that are at high risk of a terrorist attack and are located within one of the specific UASI areas. The program promotes coordination and collaboration in emergency preparedness activities among public and private community representatives, State and local government agencies, and Citizen Corps Councils.	6/24/2013	http://www.fema.gov/preparedness-non-disaster-grants
DHS	FEMA	Port Security Grant Program	PSGP	2013	The purpose of the PSGP is to protect critical port infrastructure from terrorism, particularly attacks using explosives and non-conventional threats that could cause major disruption to commerce.	6/24/2013	http://www.fema.gov/preparedness-non-disaster-grants

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HHS	CDC	Public Health Emergency Response	PHER	2013	The purpose of the PHER grant is to support and enhance the State and local public health infrastructure that is critical to public health preparedness and response. This grant supports interoperable communications equipment, systems, training, and exercises. This is an extension of a previously-issued grant; eligible applicants are limited to those currently funded under the HPP Cooperative Agreement and the PHEP Cooperative Agreement.	TBD Please check the CDC website provided for the most up-to-date information.	http://www.cdc.gov/phpr/coopagreement.htm
DOJ	OJP/NIJ	Research Grants (Law Enforcement, Geospatial, Criminal Justice IT)		2013	The National Institute of Justice (NIJ) awards grants and agreements for: -Research, development and evaluation. NIJ funds physical and social science research, development and evaluation projects about criminal justice through competitive solicitations. The focus of the solicitations varies from year to year based on research priorities and funding. -Forensic laboratory enhancement. NIJ provides funding through formula and discretionary awards to reduce evidence backlogs and improve the quality and timeliness of forensic science and medical examiner services. -Research fellowships. NIJ funds two fellowships through annual solicitations. The focus of the solicitations varies from year to year.	5/20/2013-6/20/2013	http://www.nij.gov/funding/current.htm

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DHS	S&T	Small Business Innovation Research	SBIR	2013	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. The annual solicitations consist of topics that are relevant to the Borders and Maritime Security, Chemical/Biological Defense, Cyber Security, Explosives, Human Factors/Behavioral Sciences, and Infrastructure Protection and Disaster Management Divisions.	6/11/2013	https://sbir2.st.dhs.gov/portals/SBIR/
DOC	NTIA	State and Local Implementation Grant Program	SLIGP	2013	The SLIGP is designed as a formula-based, matching grant program to assist States, in collaboration with regional, tribal, and local jurisdictions, to perform activities related to planning for the establishment of a nationwide public safety broadband network.	3/19/2013	http://www.ntia.doc.gov/other-publication/2013/slignp-federal-funding-opportunity
USDA	RUS	Telecommunications Infrastructure Loan - Expansion of 911		2013	USDA offers an interim telecommunications loan program for financing the construction of interoperable, integrated public safety communications networks in rural areas.	Rolling basis	http://www.rurdev.usda.gov/utp_911.html http://www.rurdev.usda.gov/utp_infrastructure.html
DHS	FEMA	Transit Security Grant Program	TSGP	2013	The TSGP provides funds to owners and operators of transit systems (which include intra-city bus, commuter bus, ferries, and all forms of passenger rail) to protect critical surface transportation infrastructure and the traveling public from acts of terrorism and to increase the resilience of transit infrastructure.	6/24/2013	http://www.fema.gov/preparedness-non-disaster-grants

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DHS	FEMA	Tribal Homeland Security Grant Program	THSGP	2013	The THSGP is one tool among a comprehensive set of initiatives authorized by Congress and implemented by the Administration to help strengthen the Nation against risks associated with potential terrorist attacks. Funding under THSGP is provided to strengthen tribes' capacity to prepare for and respond to emergency situations.	6/24/2013	http://www.fema.gov/preparedness-non-disaster-grants
DOJ	OJP	Tribal Justice System Capacity (Planning)		2013	This program provides assistance to Indian tribes in various areas such as assessing law enforcement radio coverage in tribal jurisdictions, including radio dead zones; linking tribes to existing resources for equipment; educating tribes on pricing for equipment/software; and other relevant information.	5/30/2013	http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/funding/solicitations.htm
USDA	RUS	Weather Radio Transmittal		2013	The Weather Radio Transmitter Grant Program provides grant funds to finance the installation of new transmitters to extend the coverage of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration's Weather Radio system (NOAA Weather Radio) in rural America. Grant funds are available to facilitate the expansion of NOAA Weather Radio system coverage into rural areas that are not covered or are poorly covered.	TBD Please check the USDA website provided for the most up-to-date information.	http://www.rurdev.usda.gov/UTP_Programs.html