



Non-Profit Security Grant Fund Fall 2024

Funding Announcement Q&A Tracker (Updated July 26, 2024)

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About this Document:

This guide will provide an overview of questions and answers regarding the [2024 Non-Profit Security Grant](#) funding announcement and initial request process, which opened on July 23, 2024. Responses will be provided as staff are able to process questions through August 27, 2024.

Questions?

Please contact PCCD staff at RA-CD-NPSEC-GRANT@pa.gov.

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1. Application Process

1.1. Who is our current personal contact (phone and name please) for questions?

Answer: Due to the competitive nature of this funding announcement, specific staff are not available for assistance during the application process. If you have questions, please email RA-CD-NPSEC-GRANT@pa.gov. Staff will personally email you the response prior to the Q&A document being posted on PCCD's website.

1.2. Is there any difference in this year's policy, guidelines for this grant?

Answer: The main policy and guidelines for this year's solicitation are the same as last year's solicitation; however, there have been some minor wording changes for clarification purposes. Please refer to the funding announcement listed on [PCCD's NPSGF Website](#). Any fiscal policies or guidelines that would need to be followed can be found [here](#). If your organization is recommended to move forward and complete a final application, PCCD will provide you with additional fiscal guidance.

1.3. We have a PEMA NSGP grant pending and will not be notified of decision before this deadline. Can we mirror part or all of that application?

Answer: Due to the competitive nature of these grants, PCCD cannot weigh in on allowable projects or expenses. Please note, if awarded, only those items listed within your Survey Monkey application will be supported.

1.4. I am writing because I was advised that this grant is on a first come first serve basis. Is that accurate? Or are applications accepted through the entire application period?

Answer: PCCD accepts and reviews all applications received during the application period.

2. Eligible Applicants

2.1.) wanted some clarity to ensure that we are eligible to apply for this grant. Our agency operates a place in Old City Philadelphia. The building is actively used for worship in addition to hosting a variety of programming for at risk individuals including the homeless and survivors of domestic violence in addition to being open for public visitation.

Let me know if we qualify for this grant and if I should schedule a time to discuss an application before applying.

Answer: Only [501\(c\)\(3\)](#) nonprofit organizations based in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania are eligible applicants for Nonprofit Security Grant Program funding. This also extends to an organization that meets the definition of a church as described in IRS Publication 1828 and claims an automatic exemption from applying for and obtaining recognition of 501(c)(3) status. Other types of 501(c) nonprofit organizations are not eligible to make application. It is incumbent upon the applicant to determine if they are an eligible applicant. PCCD will not make that determination for you.

1.2. I am working on a proposal to the upcoming NSGP deadline and had a quick question about the project eligibility. If our nonprofit operates at two different sites that are a couple of miles away from

each other, can we include both locations in our request? Or do we need to submit separate requests/pick one location?

I see in the FAQs that multiple buildings are eligible, but just wanted to be sure whether that applied to multiple locations.

Answer: Yes, if all buildings fall under the oversight of the 501(c)(3), the organization can submit an application for each location.

1.3. I am working with an organization that rents a building out from another non-profit organization. Our non-profit uses the building M-F morning, Saturday night and Sunday, and the other non-profit uses the building when we are not there on Friday night and Saturday day. The synagogue using the building on Friday night and Saturday wants to apply for guard coverage during that time, and we want to apply for building improvements to secure the building for the rest of the week.

We are separate 105(c)(3) organizations. Can we both apply for \$25k for our different needs?

Answer: Yes, each organization can submit their own application.

1.4. Our organization, is interested in applying for the Nonprofit Security Grant. We are a non-profit organization with campus sites in Pennsylvania, Maryland, Virginia, and DC. Our Pennsylvania site is located in Mechanicsburg, PA. However, we our headquarters is based in Windsor Mill, MD. Are we eligible to apply for this grant funding?

Answer: Yes, you are eligible to apply for projects to be implemented at the Pennsylvania-based location.

3. Program Implementation

1.1. What we really need most are under \$25k project management (technical work supervisor/contractor) to vet vendors and supervise work if we get awarded the NSGP grant which includes window, door, bullet proof glass installation, bollards, and security officers for fy 25 - 27. Would this be allowed for part or all of PCCD grant period?

Answer: Due to the competitive nature of these grants, PCCD cannot weigh in on allowable projects or expenses.

4. Total Award Amount/Budget-Related

1.1. Is it possible to apply for Non-Profit Security grant funds towards expenses previously paid for enhanced security in 2023?

Answer: No. Grant funds cannot be used to support expenses prior to the start date of the award.

