MEMO

Date: March 7, 2022

To: Pastors, Parochial Administrators, Parish Stewards, School Administrators

From: Glen Faulkner, Security Coordinator

RE: FEMA Non-profit security grant webinar

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) has invited faith-based groups and other non-profit entities the opportunity to participate in a webinar discussing the FY 2022 federal non-profit security grant program. This grant provides funding for target hardening efforts for facilities that are at high risk of terrorist attacks. This grant opportunity will likely be announced soon.

Historically, language in the standard assurances (the “rules” grant recipients must follow) for this grant and for the State’s CalOES non-profit security grant, have imposed legal limitations that prevented Catholic organizations from accepting these funds.

The Sacramento Diocese is actively seeking a resolution to this issue with CalOES, but the matter is still under their review.

Although there is still uncertainty about Catholic organization’s ability to participate in this program, the short time frame provided to apply for this grant requires interested groups to be well prepared in advance of the application opportunity announcement.

With these potential obstacles in mind, I encourage any interested parish to sign up for one of the upcoming webinars listed below.
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INFORMATIONAL WEBINAR SERIES

Fiscal Year 2022 Nonprofit Security Grant Program Technical Assistance Webinar Series

February 14, 2022

The Federal Emergency Management Agency’s (FEMA) Grant Programs Directorate (GPD), in partnership with the DHS Center for Faith-Based and Neighborhood Partnerships, and the Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA), invites faith-based, community, and nonprofit organizations to participate in upcoming webinars regarding the fiscal year (FY) 2022 Nonprofit Security Grant Program (NSGP).

The NSGP provides funding support through a competitive process for facility hardening and other security enhancements to nonprofit organizations at high risk of a terrorist attack and promotes emergency preparedness coordination and collaboration between public and private community representatives, as well as state, local, tribal, and territorial governments.

FEMA and its partners are committed to providing quality customer service to all our partners including socially vulnerable, underserved, and under-represented communities. As such, and building on last year’s efforts, GPD is offering the following informational NSGP webinars for all nonprofit organizations interested in learning more about the program, priorities, eligibility, and application process.

Each webinar will present the same content, including:

- Physical Safety/Security: Vulnerability Self-Assessment Information and Tools
- NSGP Overview and FY 2021 NSGP Recap
- Preparation for the FY 2022 NSGP: What Nonprofit Organizations Should Do Now
- Open Forum: Moderated Question and Answer Session

Please see the complete webinar schedule below and share this invitation broadly.

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Additional information related to the NSGP can be found at www.fema.gov/grants/preparedness/nonprofit-security. The vulnerability self-assessment tool, as well as other helpful safety and security information for nonprofits, can be found at the Hometown Security website at www.cisa.gov/hometown-security.

Due to the potential number of participants and the limited capacity of online meetings, the webinar will open **30 minutes prior to the published start time of each event**. If you are unable to join or the event is at capacity, please join the next available offering. All webinars will cover the same content. **No prior registration is available or required.**

If you have any questions regarding these webinars, or require special accommodations, please contact FEMA-NSGP@fema.dhs.gov.

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