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Memo

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

From: Glen Faulkner – Parish Security Coordinator

Date: August 21, 2023

Re: California State Non-Profit Security Grant Program announcement

The Governor's Office of Emergency Services (CalOES) has released information about the 2023–2024 California State Non-Profit Security Grant (CSNPSG) program for security improvements to non-profit organizations that are deemed to be "at high risk for violent attacks and hate crimes due to ideology, beliefs, or mission." Houses of worship and religious facilities fall into this category, even if they have not experienced a direct threat or act of violence to a specific facility.

Last year's CalOES grant proved to be beneficial to many facilities in the Sacramento Diocese. 16 entities in the Sacramento Diocese collectively received more than \$2,775,000 in funding from this grant earlier this year.

This year's CalOES announcement shows changes to this grant. The aggregate amount available statewide has been reduced from \$47.5 million to \$19 million. An applicant can submit up to two applications for different sites (sites that typically have different mailing addresses) with a maximum requested amount of \$250,000 for each site (\$500.000 total for two sites). Last year's grant allowed for a total of three applications for each applicant with a cap of \$200,000 for each site. The period of performance for this grant has been reduced to 14 months (projects must be completed by January 31, 2025).

This grant is a competitive process with applications due no later than 5:00 PM on September 28, 2023.

CalOES has provided links to the grant application (https://www.caloes.ca.gov/grant-announcement/2023-24-california-state-nonprofit-security-grant-program-csnsgp-rfp/) and has scheduled eight workshops/webinars between August 23 and September 7,2023. Five of these workshops are web-based (https://www.caloes.ca.gov/wp-content/uploads/Grants/Documents/GMM-2023-09-FY-2023-CSNSGP-RFP.pdf). I strongly suggest attending at least one of these workshops if you are interested in applying for this grant.

Questions concerning this grant can be directed to the CalOES Infrastructure Protection Unit at: $\underline{ \text{CSNSGP@CalOES.ca.gov}} \ .$

I am also available if you have questions (gfaulkner@scd.org - (916) 733-0125).