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West Virginia Emergency Management Division Opens Application Period for FY2026 State Homeland Security Program Grant

Federal Funding Available to Strengthen State and Local Preparedness and Security Capabilities Against Evolving Threats

CHARLESTON, W.Va. — The West Virginia Emergency Management Division (WVEMD) announced today that the application period is officially open for the Fiscal Year 2026 Homeland Security Grant Program (HSGP) - State Homeland Security Program (SHSP). Funded by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS) and administered federally through the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), this program delivers crucial resources to enhance state and local capabilities to prevent, protect against, mitigate, respond to, and recover from acts of terrorism and other high-consequence disasters.

Funding from the program supports various capability-building initiatives, including equipment procurement, emergency planning, personnel training, and operational exercises. These activities are carefully aligned with national priority areas to address critical capability gaps identified across the state.

Eligible local government jurisdictions and state agencies are encouraged to develop projects that build sustainable readiness and resilience. To facilitate a secure and streamlined submission process, all applications must be completed electronically using the state's authorized grant management portal.

Application Submission Guidelines:

- **Application Portal:** Applicants can access and complete their applications via the WizeHive web application at: <https://wv-emd.wizehive.app/program/wvemd-hsgp>
- **Alternative Portal Access:** The portal link and additional information is also accessible through the official West Virginia Emergency Management Division website.
- **Submission Deadline:** The final deadline for submission is **4:00 PM EST on September 4, 2026**. Late submissions will not be eligible for consideration.

Prospective applicants are urged to review the specific programmatic priorities and allow adequate time to establish or verify their registration requirements, including an active Unique Entity Identifier (UEI) in SAM.gov, before completing the portal questionnaire.

If you intend to apply for the Non-Profit Security Grant, please send an email noting your intent to HSSAA@wv.gov so we can support your application process or for additional assistance.

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