



City of Austin

Recommendation for Action

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Posting Language

Authorize submission of an application to, and the acceptance of grant funds from, the Department of Homeland Security, through the Public Safety Office of the Office of the Governor, to implement the Fiscal Year 2026 Homeland Security Grant Program, including the Urban Area Security Initiative, for multiple public safety grant projects, in an amount not to exceed \$3,700,000. Funding: \$3,700,000 is available from the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, through the Public Safety Office of the Office of the Governor. A local funding match is not required.

Lead Department

Austin Emergency Management

Fiscal Note

Funding: \$3,700,000 is available from the U.S. Department of Homeland Security. A local funding match is not required.

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Additional Backup Information:

The Fiscal Year 2026 Homeland Security Grant Program (HSGP), administered by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security and passed through the Public Safety Office of the Office of the Governor, provides funding to enhance state and local capabilities to prevent, protect against, mitigate, respond to, and recover from acts of terrorism and other hazards.

The Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI) supports regional preparedness efforts in high-threat, high-density urban areas. The City of Austin serves as the core city and fiduciary agent for the Austin Urban Area, coordinating with regional partners across multiple jurisdictions to prioritize and implement investments that address shared risks and capability gaps. UASI funding supports interoperable communications, emergency response coordination, intelligence and information sharing, and other homeland security priorities.

Funding allocations are determined through a collaborative regional planning process and are consistent with federal and state guidance. Projects are selected to align with the National Preparedness Goal and associated core capabilities.

No local funding match is required for these grant programs.

UASI grant to include funding for the following projects:

- 5991701 - AFD - Arson PPE Kits
- 5991601 - AFD - Petzl ASAP
- 5991501 - AFD - Rad Backpacks

5991901 - AFD - Structural Collapse Trailer
5992001 - AFD - UAS Command Vehicle
5992301 - ATCEMS - Ambulance Bus
5992401 - ATCEMS - CAST MED Ballistic Helmets
5992501 - ATCEMS - CAST MED Comms Equipment
5992601 - ATCEMS - F350 Trucks
5992901 - ATCEMS - F450 Trucks
5992101 - APH - Point of Dispensing Full-Scale Exercise
5992201 - ATS - Threat Intelligence Platform
5010502 - ATCEMS - Tactical 2 - Night Vision
5990901 - APD - SWAT/Armored F350 Trucks
5991001 - APD - Special Ops/Orion Fusion Goggles
5991201 - APD - EOD/Rapid Tactical Robot Upgrades
5991801 - ARIC - Regional Fusion Center
5959601 - AEM - UASI Management & Administration (M&A)
5954501 - AEM - Sustain/Enhance Capabilities
5925001 - AEM - EOC Enhancements