



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 State Homeland Security Program, for multiple public safety grant projects, in an amount not to exceed \$1,397,063. Funding: \$1,397,063 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: \$1,397,063 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 State Homeland Security Program (SHSP) provides funding to support the implementation of risk-driven, capabilities-based State Homeland Security Strategies. These funds are utilized by the City of Austin to strengthen local preparedness through planning, equipment acquisition, training, and exercises aligned with core capability gaps identified through regional and state assessments.

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.

SHSP grant to include funding for the following projects:

5966101: ARIC - Regional Behavioral Threat Assessment and Terrorism Prevention Initiative

5967001 - AFD 1 -NFA 1994 Class 1 Multi-Threat suits

5975001 - AFD 2 - Utility Terrain Vehicles with Trailers

5975301 - AFD 3 - Redwave XplorIR gas/vapor detectors

5975401 - AFD 4 - Zodiac Boats

5975601 - APD SWAT -Preventing Terrorism through Overwatch

5975701 - APD Bomb Squad - Rapid Tactical Robot Deployment

5975901 - ATCEMS 1 - Special Operations and CASTMED Tactical Communications Equipment Enhancement

5976001 - ATCEMS 2 - CAST MED Protective Ballistic Helmet Project

5976101 - ATCEMS 3 - CAST MED Protective Mask PPE Project

5976301 - ATCEMS 4 - Mission Support Equipment- Radio Cache Storage kits