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- To assist with the management of UASI NSGP funds
- To assist with design, requirements, and implementation of the UASI NSGP
- Meeting compliance with reporting/data collection requirements, including data calls
- Development of operating plans for information collection and processing necessary to respond to DHS data calls
- Travel expenses directly related to management and administration of UASI NSGP funds
- Meeting-related expenses directly related to management and administration of UASI NSGP funds

## 2. Allowable Costs

### ***Equipment***

Allowable costs are focused on target hardening activities. Thus, funding can be used for the acquisition and installation of security equipment on real property (including buildings and improvements) owned or leased by the nonprofit organization, specifically in prevention of and/or protection against the risk of a terrorist attack. This equipment is **limited to two categories** of items on the Authorized Equipment List (AEL):

- Physical Security Enhancement Equipment (Category 14)
- Inspection and Screening Systems (Category 15)

### ***Equipment Standards***

The two allowable prevention and protection categories and equipment standards for the FY 2009 NSGP are listed on the web-based version of the Authorized Equipment List (AEL) on the Responder Knowledge Base (RKB), at <http://www.rkb.us>.

The Standardized Equipment List (SEL) is located on this site as well. In some cases, items on the SEL are not allowable under FY 2009 NSGP or will not be eligible for purchase unless specific conditions are met. Unless otherwise stated, equipment must meet all mandatory regulatory and/or DHS-adopted standards to be eligible for purchase using these funds. In addition, agencies will be responsible for obtaining and maintaining all necessary certifications and licenses for the requested equipment.



### ***Training***

Nonprofit organization security personnel may use FY 2009 NSGP funds to attend security-related training courses and programs. Allowable training-related costs under the FY 2009 NSGP are limited to attendance fees for training, and related expenses, such as materials, supplies, and/or equipment. Overtime, backfill, and/or travel expenses are not allowable costs. Allowable training topics are limited to the

protection of critical CIKR, including physical and cyber security, target hardening, and terrorism awareness/employee preparedness.

Training conducted using FY 2009 NSGP funds must address a specific threat and/or vulnerability, as identified in the nonprofit's Investment Justification.

***Proposed attendance at training courses and all associated costs leveraging the FY 2009 NSGP must be included in the nonprofit organization's Investment Justification.***

Nonprofit organizations are required, within 30 days after attendance, to submit information to the SAA on all training supported with FY 2009 NSGP funds. This information will consist of course titles, course description, mission area, level of training, the training provider, the date of the course, and the number of position titles of the individuals.

**3. Unallowable Costs.** The following projects and costs are considered **ineligible** for award consideration:

- **Hiring of Public Safety Personnel.** FY 2009 NSGP funds may not be used to support the hiring of sworn public safety officers for the purposes of fulfilling traditional public safety duties or to supplant traditional public safety positions and responsibilities.
- **Construction and Renovation.** Construction and renovation are prohibited under the FY 2009 NSGP.
- **General-use Expenditures.** Expenditures for items such as general-use software (word processing, spreadsheet, graphics, etc), general-use computers and related equipment (other than for allowable M&A activities, or otherwise associated preparedness functions), general-use vehicles, licensing fees, weapons, weapons systems and accessories, and ammunition are prohibited.
- **Overtime and Backfill.** Funds may not be used to support overtime and backfill costs associated with implementation of FY 2009 NSGP activities.

Additionally, the following initiatives and costs are considered **ineligible** for award consideration:

- Initiatives that do not address the implementation of programs/initiatives to build prevention and protection-focused capabilities directed at identified facilities and/or the surrounding communities
- The development of risk/vulnerability assessment models
- Initiatives that fund risk or vulnerability security assessments or the development of the Investment Justification
- Initiatives in which Federal agencies are the beneficiary or that enhance Federal property
- Initiatives which study technology development