

The MS Office of Homeland Security will be releasing today (9/7/2023), the FY22 State and Local Cybersecurity Grant Program (SLCGP)-Consent and Memorandum of Understanding documents. We will be sending this out to known parties and potential interested parties that may benefit from this program. The documents are attached to this fax for your reference and dissemination. The deadline to have these forms back to the MOHS Grants Department is **November 30, 2023**. This is firm deadline.

If your county is interested, fill out the survey, MOU, and return to: mohsgrants@dps.ms.gov. It is strongly recommended to have these documents on file, than not and miss out on this opportunity. If you have any questions, please contact me or Bobby Freeman at 601.933.7200 or bfreeman@dps.ms.gov.

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Mississippi Office of Homeland Security State and Local Cybersecurity Grant Program Interest Survey and Memorandum of Understanding



As part of the State and Local Cybersecurity Grant Program (SLCGP), the Mississippi Office of Homeland Security (MOHS) is conducting a survey to determine the interests and needs of the eligible populations toward cybersecurity. Attached is an Interest Survey to participate in the program, as well Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) that will allow for the State and the MOHS to retain grant funds for the FY22 SLCGP. Funds retained from the award will provide a statewide needs and readiness assessment to determine gaps, vulnerabilities, and capabilities of local jurisdictions, with an emphasis in rural jurisdictions.

According to the Federal Emergency Management, local jurisdictions are defined as county, municipality, city, town, township, local public authority, school district, special district, intrastate district, council of governments (regardless of whether the council of governments is incorporated as a nonprofit corporation under State law), regional or interstate government entity, or agency or instrumentality of a local government; an Indian tribe or authorized tribal organization, or in Alaska a Native village or Alaska Regional Native Corporation; and a rural community, unincorporated town or village, or other public entity.

Interest Survey: The survey is designed to collect information from local government entities who are eligible to participate in the State and Local Cybersecurity Grant Program (SLCGP). This participation survey may include receiving state provided services, programming, and funding with the future year(s) of the SLCGP funding opportunities.

The survey is an assessment, designed to ascertain a local entity's interest and potential need for cybersecurity services outlined through the grant period of performance ending August 31, 2026. Information regarding the grant's requirements can be found on the Mississippi Office of Homeland Security Cybersecurity webpage at: <https://www.homelandsecurity.ms.gov/grants/homeland-security-state-and-local-cybersecurity-grant-program-slcgp>

A local government entity's participation in this survey signals an interest and an intention to participate in the SLCGP. Participation in the survey and needs assessment will be used to understand and prioritize the use of awarded funds, but survey participation does not guarantee funding will be available to meet the needs for all submissions.

Memorandum of Understanding: The attached MOU is a document signed by the local jurisdiction to support the MOU in the retention of grant award funds for the purpose of providing the state, local, and rural jurisdictions with a readiness assessment for the evaluation of gaps, vulnerabilities, and capabilities. Data provided from the assessments will provide a path forward toward securing local jurisdictions into more secure cybersecurity postures.

Please return both the Interest Survey and the MOU to the following email address, to be part of this program. If you have any questions regarding the survey, please contact mohsgrants@dps.ms.gov



State of Mississippi
Fiscal Year 2022 State and Local Cybersecurity Grant Program
Interest Survey Form

I, _____ (Printed Name), the duly appointed authorized
agency on behalf of the _____ ("Local
Governmental Entity"), located at _____

_____ (address) hereby expressly consent to the State of Mississippi's State
Administrative Agency (SAA), namely the Mississippi Office of Homeland Security (MOHS),
undertaking the following acts in accordance with the State and Local Cybersecurity Grant
Program (SLCGP) for Fiscal Year (FY) 2022, Funding Opportunity DHS-22-137-000-01, as
authorized by Section 2220A of the Homeland Security Act of 2022, as amended (Pub. L. No.
107-296) (6 U.S.C. §665g):

- 1. Retain \$654,731.00 in SLCGP for FY2022 at the State Level, as Management and
Administration Costs, as well as SLCGP Operations Costs. Funds are in alignment and
compliance with Federal allowances.
2. Utilize \$2,618,920.00 in SLCGP funds for FY2022 as follows:
a. 96.18% for Asset Management Systems and Cybersecurity Readiness
Assessments for local and rural entities. Assessment will provide an overall
assessment of Mississippi cybersecurity structure, gaps, vulnerabilities, and
capabilities.
b. 3.81% for cybersecurity training for local and rural entities, to include training
sessions, cybersecurity exercises and training software programs.

This consent is given to be in the best interest of the Local Government Entity and is provided
without duress or fear of reprisal. This consent is only effective for FY2022 SLCGP federal funds.

Signed, on _____ (day), _____ (month) _____ (year), in
_____ County, Mississippi.

(Signature)

(Printed Name)

(Title)



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_____ ("Local Governmental Entity"), located

at _____ (address)

[] IS interested in participating in the State and Local Cybersecurity Grant Program

[] IS NOT interested in participating in the State and Local Cybersecurity Grant Program

Grant Program (SLCGP) for Fiscal Year (FY) 2022, Funding Opportunity Number DHS-22-137-000-01, as authorized by Section 2220A of the Homeland Security Act of 2002, as amended (Pub. L. No. 107-296) (6 U.S.C. § 665g).

Organization Type: _____

Point of Contact: _____

Contact Number: _____

Contact E-mail: _____

Is your organization interested in services/solutions procured, managed, and deployed by the state providing support to local government: _____ YES _____ NO

Signed, on _____ (day), _____ (month) _____ (year), in

_____ County, Mississippi.

_____ (Signature)

_____ (Printed Name)

_____ (Title)