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## Memo

To: Pastors, Parochial Administrators, Parish Stewards, School Administrators

From: Glen Faulkner – Parish Security Coordinator

Date: August 5, 2024

Re: California State Non-Profit Security Grant Program announcement

On Tuesday July 30, the Governor's Office of Emergency Services (CalOES) released the FY2024 California State Non-Profit Security Grant (CSNSGP) program. This grant offers non-profit organizations in California funding for security improvements for facilities deemed to be "at high risk for violent attacks and hate crimes due to ideology, beliefs, or mission." Houses of worship and religious facilities and their schools fall into this category, even if they have not experienced a direct threat or act of violence to the facility.

This year's grant offers \$76 million to potential grant recipients. Like last year's CSNSGP grant, applicants can apply for as much as \$250,000 in security upgrades. Applicants with multiple locations (for example, a parish with a church on one side of the street and parish hall on the other or parishes with multiple mailing addresses on the same contiguous lot) can make up two grant applications for a maximum allowable award amount of \$500,000.

The performance period for this grant runs from December 1, 2024 until December 31, 2026, meaning any project must be completed in its entirety in this time period. Like the federal non-profit security grant, this is a competitive process. This grant has a short submission cycle - **applications must be submitted by 11:59 PM on September 23. 2024.** 

CalOES is offering six opportunities to participate in webinars to learn more about this grant. The first webinar was presented on August 1, before this Diocese Bulletin's publication date. Ther are only five remaining opportunities to participate. I strongly suggest attending at least one of these webinars if you are interested in applying for this grant. Please see the attached grant opportunity announcement for scheduling information about the remaining webinars AND important grant application information

Questions concerning this grant can be directed to the CalOES Infrastructure Protection Unit at: <a href="mailto:CSNSGP@CalOES.ca.gov">CSNSGP@CalOES.ca.gov</a>.

I have several examples of successful CSNSGP grants previously submitted by parishes in the Sacramento Diocese that I can share. I am also available if you have questions (<a href="mailto:gfaulkner@scd.org">gfaulkner@scd.org</a> - (916) 733-0125).