



# Homeland Security

## FY 2011 Port Security Grant Program (PSGP)

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### Overview

As appropriated by the *Department of Defense and Full-Year Continuing Appropriations Act, 2011* (Public Law 112-10), the Fiscal Year (FY) 2011 Port Security Grant Program (PSGP) is one of five grant programs that constitute the Department of Homeland Security's (DHS) focus on transportation infrastructure security activities. The PSGP is one tool in the comprehensive set of measures authorized by Congress and implemented by the Administration to strengthen the Nation's critical infrastructure against risks associated with potential terrorist attacks. The FY 2011 PSGP provides funds for transportation infrastructure security activities to implement Area Maritime Transportation Security Plans and facility security plans among port authorities, facility operators, and State and local government agencies required to provide port security services.

*In Fiscal Year 2011, DHS will award \$235,029,000 to promote sustainable, risk-based efforts to protect critical port infrastructure from terrorism*

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### Funding

In FY 2011, the total amount of funds distributed under this grant program will be \$235,029,000. FY 2011 PSGP funds will be awarded to support increased port-wide risk management; enhance domain awareness; training and exercises; expansion of port recovery and resiliency capabilities; and further capabilities to prevent, detect, respond to, and recover from attacks involving improvised explosive devices (IEDs) and other non-conventional weapons.

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### Eligibility

Seven port areas have been selected as Group I (highest risk) and 48 port areas have been selected as Group II. Group I and II port areas identified in the FY 2011 PSGP will submit applications through their designated Fiduciary Agents (FA). All individual entities (including ferry systems) within one of these port areas may apply for PSGP funds through their port area's designated FA. Ports not identified in Group I or II are eligible to apply as a Group III or "All Other Port Areas" applicant. There is no designated Ferry allocation. Ferry Systems in Group I and II are applied through the designated FA, and all other Ferry Systems are applied within Group III or "All Other Port Areas."

The following entities are specifically encouraged to apply:

- Owners or operators of Federally-regulated terminals, facilities, U.S. inspected passenger vessels or ferries as defined in the Maritime Transportation Security Act (MTSA) and Title 33 of the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Parts 101, 104, 105, and 106
- Port authorities or other State and local agencies that are required to provide security services to eligible Ferry System applicants (MTSA regulated facilities) pursuant to an

- Area Maritime Security Plan (AMSP), a Facility Security Plan (FSP), or Vessel Security Plan (VSP)
  - Consortia composed of local river organizations, ports and terminal associations, and other local stakeholder groups representing federally regulated ports, terminals, U.S. inspected passenger vessels or ferries that are required to provide security services to federally regulated facilities or federally regulated vessels in accordance with an AMSP, a FSP or VSP; and recognized as Area Maritime Security Committee (AMSC) members by the Captain of the Port (COTP)
  - Group I and II FAs
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## **Allowable Costs**

The Department will identify the following five priorities as its selection criteria for all FY 2011 PSGP applicants:

- Enhancing Maritime Domain Awareness (MDA)
  - Enhancing Improvised Explosive Device (IED) and CBRNE prevention, protection, response, and recovery capabilities
  - Port resilience and recovery capabilities
  - Training and Exercises
  - Efforts supporting implementation of the Transportation Worker Identification Credential (TWIC)
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## **Application Process and Evaluation Criteria**

Each Group I and Group II port area will be designated a specific amount of funding based upon the FY 2011 risk analysis. Group I and Group II allocations are subjected to change based on the result of the Group III and "All Other Port Areas" competitive review process. Group III and "All Other Port Areas" will compete for the funding identified in their corresponding group.

FEMA will conduct an initial review of all FY 2011 PSGP applications for completion. Field-level reviews are conducted by the applicable COTP in coordination with the Director of the U.S. Department of Transportation's Maritime Administration's Gateway Office and appropriate personnel from the AMSC, as identified by the COTP. Field review project scores and prioritized lists will be submitted to FEMA for the national review process. The National Review Panel (NRP) will convene with subject matter experts from DHS and other Federal partners to identify a final, prioritized list of eligible projects for funding. The NRP will conduct an initial review of the prioritized project listings for each port area submitted by the USCG's COTP to ensure that the proposed projects will accomplish intended risk mitigation goals. The NRP validates and normalizes the Field Review COTP Project Priority List and provides a master list of prioritized projects by port area. A risk-based algorithm will be applied to the National Review Panel's validation and prioritized lists for each port area in all groups. The NRP will then evaluate and validate the consolidated and ranked project list resulting from application of the algorithm and submitted their determinations to FEMA and then to the Secretary of DHS for final approval.