FY2024 High Priority - Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) Funding Conference



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Introduction

- Presenters:
 - Brendan Shaughnessy:
 - FMCSA Transportation Specialist, State Programs Division
 - Leroy Taylor:
 - FMCSA Transportation Specialist, Innovative Technology Deployment, Advanced Technology Division
- Agenda:
 - Fiscal Year 2024 High Priority NOFOs
 - Eligibility Requirements
 - Title VI Compliance & 49 CFR § 350.405 Certification Requirement
 - Fiscal Year 2024 High Priority National Priorities
 - Narrative Requirements
 - Common Application Issues
 - Applicant Resources

FY 2024 High Priority Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO)

- FY2024 High Priority Commercial Motor Vehicle (HP-CMV)
 - Opp # FM-MHP-24-004 due date 04/19/2024 by 5:00 pm EST
 - Programmatic Brendan Shaughnessy <u>brendan.shaughnessy@dot.gov</u>
 - Financial/Application Submission Tiffany Boyd <u>tiffany.boyd@dot.gov</u>
 - Period of Performance Federal FY in which the award is made plus two additional fiscal years
- FY2024 High Priority Innovative Technology Deployment (HP-ITD)
 - Opp # FM-MHP-24-003 due date 04/19/2024 by 5:00 pm EST
 - Programmatic Leroy Taylor <u>leroy.taylor@dot.gov</u>
 - Financial/Application Submission James Ross james.ross@dot.gov
 - Period of Performance Federal FY in which the award is made plus four additional fiscal years

Eligibility Requirements

HP-CMV:

Unless otherwise noted in the priority, HP-CMV awards are available to the following entities:

- State government agencies including District of Columbia, Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, American Samoa, Guam, and the U.S. Virgin Islands;
- local governments (including county, city, township, and special district);
- Federally recognized Native American tribal governments;
- institutions of higher education;
- non-profit organizations with a 501(c)(3) status with the Internal Revenue Service, and;
- For Profit Organizations and Individuals are NOT eligible.

HP-ITD:

HP-ITD awards are available to the following entities:

- States, the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, American Samoa, Guam, and the U.S. Virgin Islands, and;
- For Profit Organizations and Individuals are NOT eligible.

Title VI Program Compliance Plan Award Requirement

- Standard Title VI/Non-Discrimination Program Assurance and Plan Title VI Assessments
 - Compliance with Title VI and related nondiscrimination authorities is a requirement for all grant applicants.
 - The Assurance and Plan Title VI Assessment must be received and approved by the FMCSA Office of Civil Rights before a grant award can be issued to a recipient.
 - A pre-recorded webinar providing an overview of the application process and Title VI requirements is available at <u>https://www.fmcsa.dot.gov/grantswebinars</u>
 - Questions on Title VI Program Assurance and Compliance Plan
 - Contact the FMCSA Office of Civil Rights FMCSATitleVI@dot.gov

Participation by Local Law Enforcement Agencies & Other Entities - HP-CMV NOFO Only

- Any local law enforcement agency applying directly to FMCSA for HP-CMV funding <u>must</u> provide a statement within the application certifying that the applicant meets the eight conditions from <u>49 CFR § 350.405(a)(2)</u>
- Non-law enforcement entitles (e.g., institutions of higher education, non-profit organizations, etc.) <u>must also certify</u> compliance with the conditions cited in 49 CFR § 350.405(a)(2) but may state within their application a reason for exemption to the terms and conditions under (ii), (vii), and (viii), if they are not directly responsible for law enforcement activity and/or no current database access exists for their specific project.
- Where do I include the certification?
 - The Introduction Section of your project must include the Local Law Enforcement and Other Entities certification as outlined in Section C(1.2) of the HP-CMV NOFO.

Questions?

FY 2024 HP-CMV National Priorities

Human Trafficking	Traffic Enforcement in High- Crash Areas • Work Zone Safety (Special Emphasis)	Drug and Alcohol Clearinghouse (DACH) Violations	 Passenger Safety Initiatives Immobilization of Unsafe Passenger-Carrying CMVs (Special Emphasis)
CMV Safety on Rural Roads	Increased State Investigations	Drug Interdiction Assistance Program (DIAP) Training	 Migrant Worker Transportation (Special Emphasis)

- Technologies to Improve CMV Safety Through Enforcement
- Lead MCSAP State Agencies' Compatibility
- Public Awareness and Education
- Skill Performance Evaluation
- State Safety Data Quality (SSDQ)
- Performance and Registration Information Systems Management (PRISM)

- Traffic Enforcement in High-Crash Areas
 - Eligible Entities:
 - State & Local Enforcement Agencies
 - General Priority Information & Requirements:
 - Applications should identify the forms of traffic enforcement to be implemented (TE-CMV with inspection, TE-CMV without inspection, and non-CMV TE), as well as describe the efforts that will be taken to address driver behaviors relating to:

Excessive speed	Driver fatigue	Unsafe driving activity in the proximity of vulnerable road users (e.g., work zone safety)				
Occupant/driver restraint	Distracted driving	Prohibited operation – Drug and Alcohol Clearing				
Impaired driving	(e.g., cellphone usage and texting)	House (DACH) and federal out of service (OOS) violations				

- Applicants must provide sufficient performance-based information for each of the required project narrative sections.
- The monitoring plan must sufficiently capture and report the number of contacts and citations issued relevant to the type of traffic enforcement activities proposed.

- CMV Safety on Rural Roads
 - Eligible Entities:
 - State & Local Enforcement Agencies
 - General Priority Information & Requirements:
 - Consistent with the Department's Rural Opportunities to Use Transportation for Economic Success (ROUTES) initiative, the Department encourages applicants to propose safety activities in their application which address the unique challenges facing rural transportation networks.
 - The ROUTES Initiative was established in October 2019 with DOT Order 5050.1 and codified in Section 25010 of the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law in December 2021.
 - The ROUTES Council ensures the needs of rural communities remain a priority throughout the Department.
 - Visit <u>https://www.transportation.gov/rural</u> for more information.
 - Applicants must provide sufficient performance-based information for each of the required project narrative sections.

Passenger Safety Initiatives

Special Emphasis Area:	Immobilization of Unsafe Passenger-Carrying CMVs	Migrant Worker Transportation in Rural Areas
Eligible Entities:	 State & Local Enforcement Agencies Agencies seeking funding under this priority focus area must have the authority to impound or immobilize passenger-carrying CMVs within their jurisdiction. 	State & Local Enforcement Agencies
General Priority Information & Requirements:	 Eligible projects include, but are not limited to: Safety inspections targeting passenger-carrying CMVs; Immobilization and/or impoundment of passenger-carrying CMVs with an FMCSA out-of-service order and/or visible safety defect(s), and; Other activities relating to the immobilization and/or inspection of passenger-carrying commercial vehicles. 	 Eligible projects include: Where data indicates a need, those that emphasize developing and implementing a targeted enforcement plan that incorporates recurring roadside enforcement during peak harvest seasons in high-density agricultural regions to improve the safe transportation of seasonal and migrant agricultural workers.
	 Applicants must provide sufficient performance-based information for each of the required project narrative sections. 	 Applicants must provide sufficient performance- based information for each of the required project narrative sections.

- Drug and Alcohol Clearinghouse (DACH) Violations:
 - Eligible Entities:
 - State & Local Law Enforcement Agencies
 - General Priority Information & Requirements:
 - Drivers who have committed violations of the alcohol or drugs regulations are prohibited from performing safety-sensitive functions, including driving a CMV, until they complete requisite return-to-duty requirements.
 - Such drivers are designated with a prohibited status within the DACH.
 - Applicants are invited to outline projects under this priority that improve the detection of and enforcement against drivers operating in a prohibited status in DACH.
 - Applicants must provide sufficient performance-based information for each of the required project narrative sections.

- Drug Interdiction Assistance Program (DIAP) Training:
 - Eligible Entities:
 - State & Local Law Enforcement Agencies
 - General Priority Information & Requirements:
 - 24-hour course intended to familiarize and update law enforcement and CMV safety officials who perform or intend to perform CMV counter-crime activities, with tactics and criminal interdiction techniques involving everyday CMV traffic in transit.
 - <u>https://fmcsa.lms.dot.gov/course/diap-24-hour</u>
 - DIAP training courses offered through FMCSA's National Training Center (NTC) are tuition free:
 - Applicants need only apply for related personnel and travel costs necessary to attend.
 - Applicants must provide sufficient performance-based information for each of the required project narrative sections.

- Increased State Investigations:
 - Eligible Entities:
 - State & Local Law Enforcement Agencies
 - General Priority Information & Requirements:
 - Investigations (Compliance Reviews) provide a critical in-depth review of motor carrier and commercial driver compliance with Federal Motor Carrier Safety Regulations (FMCSRs) and Hazardous Material Regulations (HMRs).
 - FMCSA strongly urges applicants to consider the use of HP-CMV grant funds to measurably increase the number of investigations (compliance reviews) they perform, consistent with FMCSA's Compliance, Safety, Accountability (CSA) model.
 - <u>https://csa.fmcsa.dot.gov/About</u>
 - Development and deployment of compatible intrastate review programs consistent with FMCSA's CSA investigation model are eligible under this priority.
 - Applications must include the numbers of on-site and off-site investigations that will be proposed.
 - Applicants must provide sufficient performance-based information for each of the required project narrative sections.

- Human Trafficking:
 - Eligible Entities:
 - State & Local Law Enforcement Agencies
 - General Priority Information & Requirements:
 - Human trafficking continues to be a significant public safety issue across the United States.
 - <u>https://www.transportation.gov/stophumantrafficking</u>
 - FMCSA encourages applicants to specifically include enforcement activity objectives related to the recognition, prevention, and reporting of human trafficking.
 - Objectives must be as specific as possible and must align with the criteria outlined in 49 CFR § 350.207 (a)(20)(iii) relating to the inclusion of an appropriate CMV inspection.
 - **NOTE:** Training related to human trafficking detection and enforcement must be pro-rated proportionally based on the proposed grant activities pertaining to CMV enforcement.
 - Applicants must provide sufficient performance-based information for each of the required project narrative sections.

Priority: Skill Performance Evaluation Training

• Eligible Entities:

• State Agencies

- This alternative physical qualification activity, as outlined in 49 CFR § 391.49, allows drivers with missing or impaired limbs to operate CMVs in commerce when such drivers demonstrate the ability to operate commercial vehicles safely through an on and off-road performance evaluation.
- The SPE course provides instruction for SPE Certification Specialists on how to prepare, administer, and score these evaluations under FMCSA's Driver Waiver Program.
- Travel costs associated with attending the 24-hour NTC-approved SPE course are eligible. These costs, which may include travel, airfare, mileage, lodging, etc., should be clearly outlined within the application narrative and budget.
- Applicants must provide sufficient performance-based information for each of the required project narrative sections.

Priority: Lead MCSAP State Agencies' Compatibility

• Eligible Entities:

• Lead MCSAP State Agencies

- Applications for projects seeking to achieve or maintain compatibility with the FMCSRs in order to demonstrate the continued Motor Carrier Safety Assistance Program (MCSAP) eligibility of a State as prescribed by 49 CFR § 350 are authorized under this NOFO.
- Proposals which support a State's correction and mitigation of MCSAP programmatic review findings and to avert future findings and/or potential disqualification of MCSAP funding are eligible.
- States should ensure that applications submitted under this priority propose activities incorporating FMCSA-approved finding resolution strategies developed in partnership with, and approved by, the State's MCSAP lead agency.
- Applicants must provide sufficient performance-based information for each of the required project narrative sections.

Priority:

Performance and Registration Information Systems Management (PRISM)

• Eligible Entities:

 State government agencies including District of Columbia, Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, American Samoa, Guam, and the U.S.
 Virgin Islands

General Priority Information & Requirements:

 A partnership with State International Registration Plan (IRP) offices and Law Enforcement that improves highway safety by identifying and immobilizing commercial motor carriers that are prohibited from operating due to a Federal Out-of-Service (OOS) Order.

https://ai.fmcsa.dot.gov/PRISM

- All PRISM project narratives *must indicate* the jurisdiction's current level of participation (Full, Enhanced, or Expanded) *and explain* how the project will meet specific program requirements to either maintain or enhance the State's current level of participation.
- Applicants must provide sufficient performance-based information for each of the required project narrative sections.

Priority: State Safety Data Quality (SSDQ)

• Eligible Entities:

- State government agencies including District of Columbia, Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, American Samoa, Guam, and the U.S. Virgin Islands;
- Local governments (including county, city, township, and special district);
- Federally recognized Native American tribal governments;
- Institutions of higher education; and
- Non-profit organizations with a 501(c)(3) status with the Internal Revenue Service.

- FMCSA's safety programs use State-reported data on crashes and inspections to prioritize resources for the greatest impact on large truck and bus safety. The SSDQ program focuses on ensuring the availability of high-quality data from our State partners.
- How does your project improve the collection of crash and inspection data?
- NOTE: Non-MCSAP Lead agencies must confirm and document coordination with the MCSAP Lead Agency in the application, including which MCSAP lead agencies was contacted, date contact was made, and who was contacted.
- Thoroughly review the NOFO, as this section contains additional information and constraints.
- Applicants must provide sufficient performance-based information for each of the required project narrative sections.

Priority: Public Awareness and Education

• Eligible Entities:

- State government agencies including District of Columbia, Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, American Samoa, Guam, and the U.S. Virgin Islands;
- Local governments (including county, city, township, and special district);
- Federally recognized Native American tribal governments;
- Institutions of higher education; and
- Non-profit organizations with a 501(c)(3) status with the Internal Revenue Service.

- Public Awareness and Education projects provide information on a variety of traffic safety issues to educate motor carrier companies, CMV drivers and the general public on the risks involving CMVs and non-CMVs operating around large trucks and buses.
- Proposed focus areas may include but are not limited to:
 - Human trafficking detection and prevention, passenger transportation safety, hazardous materials transportation safety, unsafe driving activity in the proximity of vulnerable road users (e.g., work zone safety), and share-the-road-safely initiatives.
- Applications should provide a baseline analysis of the proposed target audience and identify specific methods that will be used to carry out outreach efforts and engage with target groups. The level of effort to facilitate delivery of proposed activities (e.g., number of personnel, events) must be clearly described, and sufficient performance outcome reporting metrics must be established (e.g., attendance, marketing touches) to ensure realization of outreach goals.

Priority: Technologies to Improve CMV Safety Through Enforcement

• Eligible Entities:

- State government agencies including District of Columbia, Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, American Samoa, Guam, and the U.S. Virgin Islands;
- Local governments (including county, city, township, and special district);
- Federally recognized Native American tribal governments;
- Institutions of higher education; and
- Non-profit organizations with a 501(c)(3) status with the Internal Revenue Service.

- Funds are available under this priority for the demonstration, acquisition, and implementation of technologies to improve CMV safety enforcement.
- Applications must be supported by relevant data and metrics which justify the need for the requested technology and its connection to CMV safety enforcement.
- Coordination with Centers for Transportation Research and Education (CTREs) is encouraged, as are partnerships
 with other research institutions, which may assist in the identification, development, and deployment of
 technologies to improve safety efforts.
- Applicants must provide sufficient performance-based information for each of the required project narrative sections.

Innovative Technology Deployment (HP-ITD)

• Eligible Entities:

- States, the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, American Samoa, Guam, and the U.S. Virgin Islands.
- The FMCSA may award HP-ITD funds to eligible applicants that have an approved FMCSA Program Plan Top Level Design (PP/TLD) as outlined in the Fixing America's Surface Transportation (FAST) Act.
- If not the lead ITD agency, a MOU must be in place with the lead ITD agency for your state.

- HP-ITD provides funding for the deployment and development of new and innovative advanced technology solutions that support commercial motor vehicle information systems and networks, for planning activities, and for the operation and maintenance costs associated with innovative technology.
- https://ai.fmcsa.dot.gov/Grants/ITD.aspx

FY2024 ITD National Priorities

Specific details on the FY24 HP-ITD Program Priorities can be found on Page # 6, Section 4.1 of the ITD NOFO.

HP-ITD Priorities

Meets Core Compliance

- Develop PP/TLD
- Safety Information Exchange
- E-Credentialing
- E-Screening

Truck Parking Availability

Work Zone Notification

Detecting Federal Out of Service (OOS)

Detecting Vehicle Out of Service (OOS) Issues

Improve Data Quality

Electronic Inspection

Enhanced Data Sharing

FMCSA IT Modernization Efforts

Other (ex. Safety Screening Trail Studies, Operation and Maintenance (O&M), Program Support)

Questions?

Narrative Requirements



Required Narrative Sections

- Narrative Sections:
 - Introduction
 - Problem Statement
 - Performance Objective
 - Performance Activity Plan
 - Performance Measurement Plan
 - Monitoring and Timeline/Milestone Plan
 - Budget Narrative
 - **NOTE:** Narrative sections are listed in consecutive order. Per NOFO requirements, they should appear in your application in this order.

General Requirements:

- Five (5) page limit for each of the narrative sections
- Application narratives must indicate when a supplemental attachment needs to be referenced
- Each project must have its own budget narrative
- Applications must not include more than four (4) projects (FMCSA will only review the first four [4])
- Applications with more than one project must include narrative sections per project in consecutive order
 - Example: P1 (all P1 narrative sections in consecutive order), followed by P2 (all P2 narrative sections in consecutive order)

Introduction Section

- Section Requirements:
 - Provide a description of the purpose(s) for the project and must reference the applicable priority(s) being met as described in Section A(4) National Priority Descriptions. This section must include the intended outcome(s) of the proposed project. Please note, this section of the narrative must include the Local Law Enforcement Agencies and Other Entities certification as outlined in Section C(1.2) and all eligible entities must address Racial Equity and Climate Change & Sustainability as outlined in Section E(1.2.5).
- Example of Local Law Enforcement & Other Entities Certification:
 - The County of XXX, Sheriff Department, certifies meeting the all conditions listed in 49 CFR § 350.405.
 - University ZZZ (or Not for Profit XXX), certifies meeting (*follow exemption instructions in NOFO*) in 49 CFR § 350.405.

Problem Statement Section

- Section Requirements:
 - Provide a *qualitative and quantitative* description which demonstrates the problem(s) the project will address.
 - Include details on the performance data used to identify the problem and to establish the baseline.
 - Applicants must include an objective data source, source date, and trend analysis; and also explain how the applicant collects, maintains, and analyzes the data.
 - Data must include clear and concise information directly related to the problem(s).
 - The required *trend analysis must include the previous three-year performance metrics* for the location of the identified problem(s), driver behaviors that contribute to the problem(s), and targeted location(s) (i.e., targeted State, city and/or county, highway and/or the mile markers involved).

Budget Narrative Section

Personnel Budget Narrative							
Position(s)	# of Staff	% of Time on Grant project	Annual Salaries	Total Cost			
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b. Fringe Benefits		\$199,248.00								\$199,248.0
c. Travel										
d. Equipment										
e. Supplies										
f. Contractual										
g. Construction										
h. Other		\$8,068.00								\$8,068.00
i. Total Direct Charges (sum of 6a-6h)		\$616,868.00								\$616,868.0
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Applicants are strongly encouraged to use the budget narrative template which is included with the HP application packages on grants.gov

Questions?

Common Application Issues

- Problem Statement:
 - Does the application include details on performance data used to identify the problem?
 - Does the application include a sufficient trend analysis?
- Performance Activity Plan:
 - Does the application provide a description of the activities the applicant will conduct to help mitigate the problem and achieve objective's outcome?
- Performance Measurement Plan:
 - What is the baseline data that will measure progress toward achieving performance objectives?
- Budget Narrative:
 - Is the level of detail provided sufficient to justify requested funding?

Applicant Resources





The Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA) provides several financial assistance opportunities, through four <u>discretionary grant</u> <u>programs</u>, to support activities and projects that enhance motor carrier safety and/or advance innovative transportation technology.

Resources: FMCSA Grant Application Process

https://ai.fmcsa.dot.gov/download File.axd/FMCSA-Grant-Application-Process-Infographic.pdf

isit <u>Grants.gov</u>

The site includes all the information you need to prepare, apply for, and track grants.

Begin locating the materials you'll need to complete your <u>application</u> <u>forms</u>.

Complete Registration Steps

Takes several weeks to complete. Approval times vary.

- 1. All applicants must register with <u>SAM.gov</u>.
- All Applicants must register on <u>Grants.gov</u> through <u>Workspace</u> to apply to NOFOs.
 Complete these steps early to avoid missing an application deadline.

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View Notice of Funding Opportunities (NOFOs)

FMCSA posts all available grants on <u>Grants.gov</u> as NOFOs.

Subscribe to FMCSA grant announcements through Grants.gov.

Use the <u>Search Grants</u> function to view NOFOs.

To view grants available to Minority Institutions of Higher Education (MIHEs), select "Private Institutions of Higher Education" and/or "Public and State Institutions of Higher Education" under the "Eligibility" criteria.

Complete the Application

Due 45-60 days after the NOFO is published

The application, completed through your <u>Workspace</u> account, includes all instructions and requirements.

Resources: How to Apply

https://ai.fmcsa.dot.gov/download File.axd/FMCSA Grants Outreach Before You Apply.pdf

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Aviewed FMCSA's grant opportunities (https://ai.fmcsa. <u>ants/Default.aspx</u>) and determined that your organization (candidate? There are several steps to take before applying, ommended that you begin this process at least six to eight before the grant application deadline.



Obtain a Unique Identifier

To receive federal grants, your organization must obtain a unique identifier. In April 2022, the government will transition from using the nine-character Data Universal Numbering System (DUNS) Number as its unique identifier system to the 12-character alphanumeric Unique Entity Identifier (UEI) system.



If you'll be applying for a grant before April 4, 2022:

- Register on the Dun & Bradstreet website (<u>https://fedgov.dnb.com/</u> <u>webform/index.jsp</u>) or call 1-866-705-5711.
- Your DUNS number will be processed and assigned in one to two businesses days after registration.

If you'll be applying for a grant

after April 4, 2022, or if your organization has already been assigned a DUNS Number.

 Move on to Step 2; your UEI will be assigned when you register with the System for Award Management. The System for Award Management, or SAM, is a web-based, government-wide application that collects information related to awards and grants for all federal partners. Your organization must register with SAM for FMCSA to track your application.

Register in the System

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- Register on the SAM website (<u>https://sam.gov/content/home</u>) and use your organization's Employer Identification Number (or EIN, a federal tax identification number).
- SAM requires annual registration renewal, even if your organization uses the same DUNS Number or UEI from year to year.
- A notarized letter appointing the authorized administrator for your account is needed before SAM registration can be activated or renewed.



 Registration in SAM.gov can take up to 15 business days.

For more tips on SAM.gov registration, including designating points of contact for your organization, view our training video (https://ai.fmcsa.dot.gov/downloadFile. axd/Phase2_v3.zip/story_html5.html) and select Registration Systems: Applying for a Grant from the left navigation bar.

3 Register in grants.gov

Grants.gov is the government portal where your organization can find and apply for federal grant opportunities. Registering with grants.gov is the only way to apply for an FMCSA grant.

 Register on the grants.gov website (<u>https://www.grants.gov</u>).



 Registration in grants.gov can take two to four weeks and requires validation with SAM. That means your SAM registration must be complete before registering with grants.gov.

For more tips on grants.gov registration, including designating points of contact for your organization, view our training video (https://ai.fmcsa.dot.gov/downloadFile. axd/Phase2 v3.zip/story html5.html) and select Registration Systems: Applying for a Grant from the left navigation bar.

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Resources: FMCSA Discretionary Grant Programs

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GRANT PROGRAM

(CMVOST)

Commercial Motor Vehicle

CMVOST's purpose is to increase the number of CDL holders who have

received enhanced operator safety

training (with a focus on assisting

current or former members of the

Operator Safety Training

FMCS/ **GRANT OPPORTUNITIES**

The U.S. Department of Transportation's Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA) is dedicated to improving the safety of commercial motor vehicles and reducing crashes, injuries, and fatalities involving large trucks and buses on the nation's roads.

Each year, FMCSA awards grants to support safety projects and initiatives associated with this, mission. Many different types of organizations and government agencies are invited to apply. The below chart outlines FMCSA's grant programs and their eligible applicants

GRANT PROGRAM

High Priority – Safety Enforcement Training

High Priority Safety Enforcement Training provides funding to nonprofit entities with the expertise to train non-federal personnel who engage in CMV safety enforcement activities.

COMPETITIVE GRANT?*

Yes; Grant funding is awarded at the agency's discretion and is based solely on the merit review criteria that is outlined in the Notice of Funding Opportunity.

ELIGIBLE APPLICANTS

Non-profit entities

GRANT PROGRAM

High Priority – Innovative Technology Deployment (HP-ITD)

HP-ITD provides funding for the development, deployment, and maintenance of intelligent transportation system technology to support CMV operations.

COMPETITIVE GRANT?*

Yes; Grant funding is awarded at the agency's discretion and is based solely on the merit review criteria that is outlined in the Notice of Funding Opportunity.

ELIGIBLE APPLICANTS:

 State government agencies, including territories and the District of Columbia

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ELIGIBLE APPLICANTS: State Driver Licensing Agencies · Other State agencies working to implement the CDL program

- · Public, State, and private institutions of higher education
- Non-profit organizations with 501(c)(3) status
- For-profit organizations

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(CDLPI)

GRANT PROGRAM

Commercial Driver's License

Program Implementation

CDLPI is focused on the execution

compliance with federal regulations

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Notice of Funding Opportunity.

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- Federally recognized Native American tribal organizations
- Local governmental agencies

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at the agency's discretion and is based solely on the merit review criteria that is outlined in the Notice of Funding Opportunity.

ELIGIBLE APPLICANTS:

- Educational institutions with accreditation recognized by the U.S. Department of Education
- Non-accredited institutions that are approved by the U.S. Department of Labor as eligible training providers and that accept Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) grants
 - · Non-accredited institutions must be recognized by State Administrative Agencies and the U.S. Department of Veteran's Affairs (VA) to accept VA benefits

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Resources: Analysis & Information Online (A&I)

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Resources: Grants Management Training

https://ai.fmcsa.dot.gov/Grants/GrantM anagement.aspx

Resources: FMCSA Technical Assistance Webinar Series

How to Apply & Title VI Requirements

This webinar provides an introduction to the FMCSA discretionary grant program application steps and highlights getting started on the Title VI Program Compliance Plan and Assurance requirements. The session will include an overview of the grant systems that an organization must be registered with to complete an application by the deadline. Additionally, it provides an overview of the required application forms. This session is meant to help prepare potential grant applicants on how to apply for FMCSA discretionary grant funds.



High Priority Program Overview

This webinar provides an overview of High Priority (HP) Grant Program goals and objectives, eligibility requirements, application review process, and resources available for submitting a successful application.



Commercial Driver's License Program Implementation and Commercial Motor Vehicle Operator Safety Training Program Overview

This webinar provides an overview of Commercial Driver's License Program Implementation (CDLPI), and Commercial Motor Vehicle Operator Safety Training (CMVOST) Grant Program goals and objectives, eligibility requirements, application review process, and resources available for submitting a successful application.



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