

# **News from the Emergency Management Committee Chair**

### **Oversight Hearing**

Joint Oversight Hearing of the Emergency Management and Accountability and Administrative Review Committee

When: Wednesday, February 3, 2021

Where: Room 4202, State Capitol

Topic: COVID-19 Vaccine distributions

Witnesses: California Health and Human Services Agency, California Office of

Emergency Services, Government Operations Agency, and Los Angeles

County Department of Public Health

### News from the Department of Homeland Security and FEMA

#### DHS Issues a National Terrorism Advisory System (NTAS) Bulletin

The Acting Secretary of Homeland Security has issued a National Terrorism Advisory System (NTAS) Bulletin due to a heightened threat environment across the United States, which DHS believes will persist in the weeks following the successful Presidential Inauguration. Information suggests that some ideologically-motivated violent extremists with objections to the exercise of governmental authority and the presidential transition, as well as other perceived grievances fueled by false narratives, could continue to mobilize to incite or commit violence. The NTAS Bulletin may be found here:

https://www.dhs.gov/ntas/advisory/national-terrorism-advisory-system-bulletin-january-27-2021

#### FEMA is Now Accepting Applications for the Youth Preparedness Council

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) is committed to actively involving youth in preparedness-related activities through the Youth Preparedness Council (YPC) and is seeking applicants for 2021. YPC members are students in grades 8 through 11 who are selected to support disaster preparedness and make a positive impact on their communities. The 2021 YPC is now open for applications. The YPC is an opportunity for young leaders to engage with FEMA and provide their perspectives,



feedback, and opinions related to preparedness, to grow their leadership skills, and to support the resilience of their communities.

Applications are due by March 7, 2021

https://community.fema.gov/PreparednessCommunity/s/apply-to-ypc

### **Current Federal Funding Opportunities**

# Assistance to Firefighters Grants Program

Fire safety grants fund critically needed resources to equip and train emergency personnel, enhance efficiencies and support community resilience.

Assistance to Firefighters Grants (AFG)

FY 2020 Application Period: 1/4/21 - 2/12/21

Since 2001, AFG has helped firefighters and other first responders obtain critically needed resources necessary for protecting the public and emergency personnel from fire and related hazards.

https://www.fema.gov/grants/preparedness/firefighters/assistance-grants/documents

### Fire Prevention & Safety Grants

FY 2020 Application Period: 1/25/21 - 2/26/21

Fire Prevention & Safety (FP&S) grants support projects that enhance the safety of the public and firefighters from fire and related hazards.

https://www.fema.gov/grants/preparedness/firefighters/safety-awards

### Research and Evaluation on School Safety, Fiscal Year 2021

FY 2021 Application Period: 12/21/20 – 3/8/21

With this solicitation, NIJ seeks proposals for rigorous research and evaluation projects to study the root causes of school violence to include the impact and effectiveness of grants made under the STOP School Violence Act. NIJ is particularly interested in examining understudied approaches to improve school safety. Of most interest are anti-violence interventions and threat assessment.



### **Current Federal Funding Opportunities (cont.)**

### FY 2021 Byrne Criminal Justice Innovation Program

FY 2021 Application period: 1/11/21 – 4/12/21

Byrne Criminal Justice Innovation (BCJI) is a strategic approach to crime reduction that leverages community knowledge and expertise by focusing enforcement efforts on neighborhoods where crime is concentrated, or crime "hotspots."

https://bja.ojp.gov/funding/opportunities/o-bja-2021-60003

#### FY 2021 Coordinated Tribal Assistance Solicitation (CTAS)

FY 2021 Application period: 1/19/21 - 3/30/21

The U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ) is seeking applications for funding to improve public safety and victim services in tribal communities. The Coordinated Tribal Assistance Solicitation (CTAS) provides federally recognized tribes and tribal consortia an opportunity to apply for funding to aid in developing a comprehensive and coordinated approach to public safety and victimization. The majority of DOJ's existing tribal government-specific programs are included in and available through this single solicitation.

https://bja.ojp.gov/funding/opportunities/o-bja-2021-60008

OVW Fiscal Year 2021 Grants to Reduce Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault and Stalking on Campus Program Solicitation:

FY 2021 Application period: 1/12/21 - 3/16/21

This program encourages institutions of higher education to develop and strengthen effective security and investigation strategies to combat domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking on campus, and develop and strengthen victim services in cases involving such crimes on campus.

https://www.justice.gov/ovw/page/file/1356286/download

Additional Office of Violence Against Women Funding Opportunities may be found here:

https://www.justice.gov/ovw/open-solicitations



#### **Current Federal Funding Opportunities (cont.)**

# OVC FY 2021 Services for Victims of Human Trafficking

FY 2021 Application period: 1/15/21 – 3/15/21

The purpose of this program is to develop, expand, or strengthen victim service programs for victims of human trafficking.

https://ovc.ojp.gov/funding/fy-2021/o-ovc-2021-59002.pdf

Additional Office of Victims of Crimes grant opportunities may be found here:

https://ovc.ojp.gov/funding/current-funding-opportunities

### **Future Federal Funding Opportunities**

Staffing for Adequate Fire and Emergency Response (SAFER)

FY 2020 Application period announced: 2/8/21 - 3/12/21

SAFER grants fund fire departments and volunteer firefighter interest organizations directly to help them increase capacity in their communities.

https://www.fema.gov/grants/preparedness/firefighters/safer/documents

#### **Articles of Interest**

(Phil Horner's picks here)

#### **Incidents/Mutual Aid Assignments**

Quick overview of mutual aid assignments (would need more details from Cal OES to make this more meaningful)

### **Significant Dates and Events**

Dispatcher Week, EMS Week, Tsunami Awareness, Wildfire Preparedness Week, Anniversaries of major disasters