FY23 Preparing for Active Shooter Situations (PASS) Grant Program Frequently Asked Questions

What is the purpose of PASS funding?

COPS Office FY 2023 Preparing for Active Shooter Situations (PASS) program funds are used to increase public and law enforcement safety by training first responders nationwide—including law enforcement, fire, emergency medical services (EMS), dispatchers, medical personnel, facility security, emergency management, and any other professionals who may reasonably be key to a successful integrated response—to handle an active shooter or other violent threat.

What is the funding amount and how many awards will be made?

One award, up to \$12,000,000

Who is eligible to apply?

This solicitation is open to all public governmental agencies, federally recognized Indian tribes, for-profit (commercial) organizations, nonprofit organizations, institutions of higher education, community groups, and faith-based organizations. For-profit organizations (as well as other recipients) must forgo any profit or management fee. The COPS Office welcomes applications under which two or more entities would carry out the federal award; however, only one entity may be the applicant.

What is the deadline for this solicitation?

The PASS solicitation closes at 4:59 p.m. ET on April 21, 2023.

How long is the award period for the PASS program?

PASS awards will have a performance period of 12 months in duration. Budgets should accurately reflect the appropriate performance period.

Does the PASS solicitation require a proposal narrative?

The PASS solicitation does require a proposal narrative. The project narrative should be no more than 20 pages long.

- Items counting toward the 20-page limit: Executive summaries, abstracts, timelines, graphs, and charts (regardless of pagination in front matter) will count toward the overall page limit.
- Items not counting toward the 20-page limit: Cover page, table of contents, and references (should be formatted as endnotes) will not count toward the overall page limit.

Please refer to the solicitation guide for full details on application requirements and the list of applicable survey questions.