



THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO

Marni von Wilpert
Councilmember • Fifth District

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Dear Governor Newsom,

In 2024, the State of California allocated \$76,000,000 to the California Office of Emergency Services (Cal OES) to implement the California State Nonprofit Security Grant Program (CSNSGP). This program provided funding for target hardening and physical security enhancements to nonprofit organizations that are at high risk for violent attacks and hate crimes due to ideology, beliefs, or mission. These grants assisted in supporting nonprofit preparedness while enhancing coordination with state and local agency preparedness efforts. The program objectives also promoted emergency preparedness coordination and collaboration activities between public and private community representatives.

The CSNSGP funding was made available for construction or renovation for the purposes of target hardening, contracted security, as well as:

Planning:

- Development and enhancement of security plans and protocols;
- Emergency contingency plans; and
- Evacuation/Shelter-in-place plans.

Equipment:

- Physical security enhancement equipment, including, but not limited to reinforced doors and gates, and high-intensity lighting and alarms;
- Inspection and screening systems, and access control;
- Any other security enhancement consistent with the purpose of the CSNSGP.

Training:

- Attendance fees for training; and
- Related expenses such as materials and/or supplies.

This expired program provided critical investment for numerous valued community organizations at greatest risk of violent attack and hate crimes. Given the current ongoing risk to many organizations within the City of San Diego and across the state of California, we request that the California Legislature and Governor consider including additional funding for the California Office of Emergency Services to reopen the California State Nonprofit Security Grant Program for eligible nonprofit organizations throughout California.

We appreciate your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

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