



HIGHLIGHTS

2010 Grant Funding Process Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI)

- Funding reimbursement provided by the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) through the State of Florida and to the Region.
- Purpose: to enhance preparedness and response capabilities of high risk urban areas.
- South East Florida UASI Region is composed of Monroe, Dade, Broward and Palm Beach Counties.
- Projects must address the 37 Target Capabilities Strategies contained in the National Preparedness Guidelines. Link: www.fema.gov/about/divisions/npd.shtm.
- Projects should be submitted via the Palm Beach County Division of Emergency Management.
- Allowable Program Expenditures: planning, organizing, equipment, training and exercising.
- Funds will be directed towards the most pressing needs within the above allowable program expenditure categories.
- Requests for equipment need to have a DHS authorized equipment list (AEL) number. Link: www2.rkb.mipt.org/.
- Budget requests will be prioritized based on the goals and objectives contained within DHS and the State strategies and the needs within the Urban Area.
- Budgetary decisions will be made with the following priorities in mind:
 - *Supports the UASI and State Strategies' Goals and Objectives*
 - *Supports the National Preparedness Goal and the National Priorities*
 - *Improves response capabilities of the metropolitan area and its primary mutual aid partners*
 - *Improves regional homeland security and emergency management planning*
 - *Meets organizational needs for special teams and others*
 - *Meets gaps identified in after action reviews and improvement plans*
 - *Provides equipment that is critical for first responders*
 - *Provides planning, training, or exercises as identified in the UASI/Regional Planning, Training and Exercise Plan*
 - *Promotes area-wide and regional coordination*
- Project templates due to DEM by 9/22/09. Two parts: project description and budget detail.
- Projects submitted will be ranked by a local review committee.
- Final project and funding approval estimated by September 2010.
- Estimated funding for Palm Beach County is about \$475,000 for all approved projects, subject to change upon final funding allocations.
- Funding availability, on a reimbursement basis, estimated by December 2010 the earliest.
- For project templates and guidance documents go to DEM website: <http://www.pbcgov.com/publicsafety/emergencymanagement/>.
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