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Announcement of Funding Opportunity

State and Local Cybersecurity Grant Program (SLCGP)

This document serves as an announcement for a funding opportunity available to Maryland local jurisdictions. **More detailed information on the application process for funding will be provided in early CY2024.**

What is the State and Local Cybersecurity Grant Program (SLCGP)?

Through the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA), Congress established the [State and Local Cybersecurity Grant Program \(SLCGP\)](#) to “award grants to eligible entities to address cybersecurity risks and cybersecurity threats to information systems owned or operated by, or on behalf of, state, local, or tribal governments.” The SLCGP provides funding to state, local, tribal, and territorial (SLTT) governments to address cybersecurity risks and cybersecurity threats to SLTT-owned or operated information systems.

How much funding is available?

In FY22 and FY23, Maryland was awarded \$3.2M and \$6.4M respectively. 80% of the grant must go towards local jurisdictions, and 25% must go towards rural jurisdictions. Additional funding is expected in future years. This funding will be made available to eligible jurisdictions as sub-grants or as services, in accordance with the grant requirements and the Maryland SLCGP Committee’s determinations.

Who is eligible to apply for funding?

All local governments in Maryland are eligible to apply. “**Local governments**” are defined as a county, municipality, city, town, township, local public authority, school district, special district, intrastate district, council of governments, regional or interstate government entity, or agency or instrumentality of a local government; and a rural community, unincorporated town or



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village, or other public entity. “**Rural**” area is defined as an area encompassing a population of less than 50,000 people that has not been designated in the most recent decennial census as an “urbanized area” by the Secretary of Commerce (i.e. Counties and jurisdictions within Counties with a population of 50,000 or less).

What can the funding be used for?

Funds can be used towards cybersecurity projects and services that promote cyber resilience, in accordance with CISA’s and the SLCGP Committee’s priorities outlined in the Maryland SLCGP plan. Grant funding will be awarded based on statutory requirements, demonstrated need, quality of the application, and the ability to maintain federal and state grant compliance.

For more information on the SLCGP, please visit the Cyber Preparedness Unit’s [funding page](#), or email slcgp.info@maryland.gov.

What are the next steps?

If your local government entity is interested in applying for SLCGP funding, **please provide a Point of Contact (POC) to the SLCGP administrators**. Further information about the SLCGP will be provided to the designated POC, including instruction for applying for funding.

To submit your POC, please go to: [SLCGP POC Submission Form](#)