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Strategic
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Federal Fiscal Year 2023 State and Local Cybersecurity Grant Program

Information in this notice is to help with the completion of the Local Government Investment Justification worksheet, which is part of the State and Local Cybersecurity Grant Program (SLCGP) award.

This grant program for local governments is based on cybersecurity needs as identified in the Nationwide Cybersecurity Review (NCSR) assessments. Completion of the NCSR assessment is required to receive funding through the SLCGP. Local entities that completed their online NCSR, on the Center for Internet Security portal, between December 1, 2023, and February 29, 2024, are eligible to be awarded SLCGP funding. Additionally, the state will be requesting local entities complete a NCSR assessment between October 1, 2024, through February 28, 2025, and completion of the latter NCSR assessment may be considered while the state reviews your Local Government Investment Justification worksheet. Your proposed projects must be reviewed and approved by the Cybersecurity Planning Committee and the State Chief Information Officer.

The total amount of funding available for local entities this year (year two of four) is approximately \$10,757,678.00. The first project is a managed end-user protection solution. The second project is access to end-user cybersecurity training for all local government employees. The third project is direct reimbursement for cybersecurity gaps identified in your completed NCSR assessment.

If you choose to apply for the funds, the [Local Government Investment Justification form](#) (*click link*) must be completed and submitted to the state. [Click here for an example](#) that may help you in completing the form. Return the completed form to STS representatives at cybersafetn@tn.gov by November 27, 2024, at 12 p.m. CT/ 1 p.m. ET. Projects must clearly articulate findings discovered in your NCSR assessment and comply with the requirements of the Authorized Equipment List. Once approved, you'll receive confirmation and further instruction for reimbursement.

The SLCGP is an assistance program that provides funds to build capabilities at the state and local levels through planning equipment, and training activities and to implement the goal and objectives of the state and federal cybersecurity strategies.

A Q&A session is scheduled for **October 23, 2024, from 2pm - 3pm CT / 3 pm - 4 pm ET** for grant applicants with questions about the SLCGP application or details of the program. To join the meeting please use the link below.

Join the meeting now

Meeting ID: 297 251 141 184

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If you have questions about this notice, please reach out to us at cybersafetn@tn.gov.

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