

# **FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF LAW ENFORCEMENT**



State Financial Assistance



# Drone Replacement Grant Program

## Overview

The Florida Department of Law Enforcement (FDLE) was appropriated \$25 million in nonrecurring funds to implement a drone replacement grant program. FDLE will use the grant funds to reimburse law enforcement agencies that turn in drones that are not in compliance with s. 934.50, F.S. (SB 2502) based upon the drone's current value as established by FDLE. FDLE will provide the drones received through the drone grant replacement program to the Florida Center for Cybersecurity within the University of South Florida. The Florida Center for Cybersecurity will analyze whether the drones present cybersecurity concerns and provide its findings or recommendations to the Department of Management Services.

## Eligibility

This program is open to local law enforcement agencies in the State of Florida.

The drone must have not reached its end of life and must still be in working condition.

Grant funds may only be used to purchase drones that are in compliance with s. 934.50, F.S.

## Awards

Funds shall be awarded on a first-come, first-served basis, determined by the date FDLE receives:

- Completed application;
- Drone being replaced; and
- Paid invoice for a drone in compliance with Department of Management Services Rule 60GG-2.0075, F.A.C.

## Funds shall be provided per drone as follows:

Drones purchased between January 1, 2022, and April 5, 2023, from manufacturers on the Department of Management Services approved list on April 5, 2023, but not in compliance with Rule 60GG-2.0075, F.A.C., will be reimbursed at 100% of purchase price.

Drones purchased not in compliance with the Department of Management Services Rule 60GG-2.0075, F.A.C., prior to January 1, 2022, will be reimbursed by the number of flight hours as follows:

# of Flight Hours	% Reimbursed
0-25	100%
26-50	90%
51-100	80%
101-150	70%
151-200	60%
201-250	50%
251-300	40%
301-400	30%
401-500	20%
501-799	10%
800-End of Life	0%

## Project Period

The drone replacement grant program expires on July 1, 2024.

**How to Apply**

Fill out and submit the application.

Send in the drone(s) being replaced.

Submit the paid invoice for the replacement drone(s).

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# State Assistance for Fentanyl Eradication (S.A.F.E)



## Overview

The Florida Department of Law Enforcement (FDLE) was appropriated \$20 million in nonrecurring funds for the State Assistance for Fentanyl Eradication (S.A.F.E.) in Florida Program. This program will provide local support funding to law enforcement agencies to increase efforts to interdict and apprehend illicit sale and trafficking of fentanyl. FDLE will enter into contracts with local law enforcement agencies in order to disperse funds for investigative equipment, activities, and personnel expenses associated with the interdiction and apprehension of fentanyl.

## Eligibility

This program is open to local law enforcement agencies in the State of Florida.

## Awards

Funds shall be awarded on a first-come, first-served basis as follows:

- Priority will be given to local law enforcement agencies within fiscally constrained counties, as defined in s. 216.67(1), Florida Statutes.
- Funds will be distributed based on the fentanyl-related investigative operational needs of each agency's investigations as approved by the S.A.F.E. Executive Board.
- Available to conduct investigations designed to combat illegal fentanyl activity to include:
  - Overtime and Related Benefits
  - Relevant Travel Costs
  - Purchase of Investigative Supplies
  - Equipment Purchases
  - Relevant Contractual Services
  - Training Costs
  - Other Costs Associated with Cases Focusing on Fentanyl Eradication

## Project Period

Awards will be for a 12-month period beginning July 1, 2023 and ending June 30, 2024.

## How to Apply

Please email [OPBFunding@fdle.state.fl.us](mailto:OPBFunding@fdle.state.fl.us) for instructions on presenting the investigation to the FDLE S.A.F.E. Executive Board.

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# Soft Body Armor for Law Enforcement



## Overview

The Florida Department of Law Enforcement (FDLE) collects fees for processing criminal history checks for potential buyers of firearms. Per s. 790.065(1)(a)(2.), F.S., in the event that the amount of funds collected exceeds the cumulative amount of expenditures by more than \$2.5 million, excess funds may be used for the purpose of purchasing soft body armor for law enforcement officers. FDLE exceeded the amount and was appropriated \$2 million in nonrecurring funds to purchase soft body armor for local law enforcement officers. Priority will be given to the agencies in fiscally constrained counties.

## Eligibility

This program is open to local law enforcement agencies in the State of Florida.

## Awards

Funds shall be awarded on a first-come, first-served basis with priority given to local law enforcement agencies within fiscally constrained counties, as defined in s. 216.67(1), Florida Statutes.

## Project Period

Award period will be for 12 months beginning July 1, 2023 and ending June 30, 2024.

## How to Apply

In order to receive funding, the agency must:

- Complete the funding request form found below.
- Have officers measured and provide a quote from an approved state contract vendor.
- Forward quote and completed form to [OPBFunding@fdle.state.fl.us](mailto:OPBFunding@fdle.state.fl.us).
- The body armor will be shipped to the requesting agency.

## Approved Vendors

Quotes must come from a vendor approved by the State of Florida, listed as a contractor on the Body Armor and Ballistic Resistant Products contract (46151500-NASPO-21-ACS).

46151500-NASPO-21-ACS can be found at the website below:

[https://www.dms.myflorida.com/business\\_operations/state\\_purchasing/state\\_contracts\\_and\\_agreements/alternate\\_contract\\_source/body\\_armor\\_and\\_ballistic\\_resistant\\_products/contractors](https://www.dms.myflorida.com/business_operations/state_purchasing/state_contracts_and_agreements/alternate_contract_source/body_armor_and_ballistic_resistant_products/contractors)

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## Local Firearm Safety Training Grant Program

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### **Overview**

The Florida Department of Law Enforcement (FDLE) was appropriated \$1.5 million in recurring funds to implement a local law enforcement firearm safety training grant program.

### **Eligibility**

This program is open to local law enforcement agencies in the State of Florida.

### **Awards**

FDLE anticipates issuing approximately 20 awards, not to exceed \$75,000 each.

Awards will be made based on a competitive application process, with priority points awarded to recipients located in Florida's fiscally-constrained counties.

### **Project Period**

Grants issued under this program will be awarded for a 9-month period, beginning October 1, 2023 and ending June 30, 2024.

### **How to Apply**

Fill out and submit the program application by 5:00 PM EST on August 31, 2023. Completed applications must be emailed to [ocjgsfa@fdle.state.fl.us](mailto:ocjgsfa@fdle.state.fl.us).

### **FDLE Contact Information**

Contact FDLE's Office of Criminal Justice Grants at 850-617-1250 for additional information.

# Ballistic Testing Pilot Program



## Overview

State funding is available to purchase ballistic identification systems for local law enforcement agencies. This appropriation provides funding to buy equipment for the input of ballistics into the searchable NIBIN Database. The appropriation requires the strategic placement of these instruments around the state to create regional accessibility.

## Eligibility

This program is open to local law enforcement agencies in the State of Florida. Local agencies must have interest in supporting their region by housing and operating the ballistic identification system and are in close proximity to gun violence to improve access and facilitate faster NIBIN search capabilities. The local agency must acknowledge that:

- Annual costs not covered by this appropriation will be incurred by the agency ranging from \$19-27,000 per year
- Dedicated personnel must be trained to operate the ballistic identification system; Microscope, Acquisition station, and Analysis station (if purchased)
- ATF requires users be ATF certified NIBIN users prior to submitting the ballistic identification system acquisition to NIBIN. Additional correlation training is required to perform the analysis and must be received from ATF.
- ATF holds all sites capable of acquisition to the Minimum Required Operating Standards for national integrated ballistic information network (NIBIN) sites

## Location Selection

Ballistic identification systems will be distributed based on regional location, ability to support the program, and ATF approval of the sites, not to exceed a combined total of \$3,500,000.

## Project Period

Funds are available for a 12-month period beginning July 1, 2023 and ending June 30, 2024. Upon approval, the ballistic identification systems will be purchased and delivered to your agency.

## How to Apply

Please email [OPBFunding@fdle.state.fl.us](mailto:OPBFunding@fdle.state.fl.us) for questions or to notify us of your interest being a location to house and operate a regional ballistic machine.

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