## RED ALERT

## FOR IMMEDIATE ATTENTION



Members,

Please see the below message from FDLE Director Melissa Bujeda, along with the original alert, regarding the Immigration Enforcement Grant Program. The Florida Department of Law Enforcement is requesting all applications as soon as possible, preferably by Friday, September 5, 2025. Contact information for FDLE in regard to questions can be found below.

Thank you,

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We are hearing that the State Board of Immigration may be meeting soon to review and approve immigration grant applications; earlier than originally anticipated.

With that in mind, we are asking agencies to submit their applications as soon as possible, preferably by Friday, September 5, 2025, to make the first meeting.

At this time, it is uncertain when the next Board meeting will be held to approve applications. Statute only requires meetings on a quarterly basis.

Anyone with questions is welcome to reach out to me or email SBIE@fdle.state.fl.us.

Thank you Melissa Bujeda Director

## \*\*Original Alert and Supporting Information\*\*

Chiefs and Law Enforcement Members,

Today the Florida Department of Law Enforcement provided a webinar of the Immigration Enforcement Grant Program. Details on these reimbursement grants can be found here.

The PPT presentation by FDLE is linked below for your review.

Please note you will apply for what you estimate as **expenses between Feb 17**, **2025 through June 30**, **2026** and **go through an approval process** and once approved you will need to supply required documentation to receive reimbursement. You will access FDLE Electronic Grant Monitoring System (EGMS) to submit your application. You will need:

- Estimated expenses through June 30, 2026
- Detailed line-item budget by category
- Clear narrative on planned activities
- Can submit for activities as of February 17, 2025

The application process includes the following review steps:

- Initial review eligibility, allowability, completeness
- ED Review awards of less than \$25K without equipment may be directly approved
- Board Review required for more than \$25K or equipment inclusive awards it must be approved by the Legislative Budget Commission and the Board – it is much more detailed and takes more time
- An Award Agreement will be signed by all parties and posted to FACTS
- Reimbursement begins after that

## **Key Points**

- Request all anticipated costs upfront to avoid multiple amendments
- Maintain complete records all requests for reimbursement must be supported by invoices, proof of payment and required forms
- Coordinate early with your agency finance

There is also a guide regarding these grants and frequently asked questions: Immigration Grant Program FAQs | Rise 360.

State Immigration Enforcement Grant

Program

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