



2022-23

Safety & Security Grant



Application Deadline: Noon on Wednesday, November 16, 2022

Applications are now being accepted for the 2022-2023 SDIS Safety & Security Grant Program! SDIS members are eligible to apply for a matching grant to help fund expenses related to projects that mitigate exposures to security threats.

The SDIS Safety & Security Grant Program assists members with funding of safety and security projects that lead to reduced exposure in high-level claims categories. It is our goal to eliminate or lower risk to the SDIS insurance program by supporting members' proactive approaches to preventing loss.

What is the focus of this year's program?

Due to the success of last year's program focusing on security-related exposures, we will continue that same focus for this year. We received our highest number of requests in program history, and as a result, we quickly exhausted the available funding. In order to best serve our members and expand opportunity, the structure of the grant match has been slightly changed to allow us to fund a greater number of requests. The 2022-2023 matching grant program will focus on projects that mitigate exposure to security threats. Examples of eligible projects include, but are not limited to:

- Fencing
- Alarms
- Securing Valuables
- Lighting
- Window Film
- Cybersecurity Equipment
- Cameras

What does "matching grant" mean?

This is a 50/50 matching grant program, which means the cost of the project will be split equally between your district and SDIS, up to a maximum of \$5,000.

What do you mean by "a maximum of \$5,000"?

If your district is planning a \$10,000 project, you can apply to receive a maximum of \$5,000 from SDIS.

Who decides if our grant request is accepted or denied?

The SDIS Safety Grant Committee will review each application to determine which are eligible to receive funding. Matching grants will be awarded to applicants that meet the eligibility requirements by order of priority and on a first come, first served basis. After the first priority level has been funded, grants will be awarded to applicants in the second priority level.

The committee will use the following priority levels in determining grant recipients:

First Priority for Funding

Expenses incurred after July 1, 2022 related to safety and security projects designed to mitigate exposure to vandalism, burglary, and/or cyber-related claims.

Second Priority for Funding

New Safety and Security Projects

- Your district may apply for any new safety or security project you choose. Examples include, but are not limited to, video surveillance equipment, security systems, enhanced parking lot lighting, and safe shop equipment. Routine maintenance to existing facilities and normal business expenses **will not** be considered.

Other Priority Information for Funding

Grant applicants who have never received an SDIS Safety & Security Grant will be given priority over those who have received one in the past. We will then give priority to applicants who did not receive an SDIS Safety & Security Grant in the 2021/2022 fiscal year (July 1, 2021-June 30, 2022)

Other Important Information

The purpose of this program is to reduce risk exposures by assisting our members to complete safety and security related projects. Your district must have insurance coverage for the risk exposure you are trying to mitigate. For example, if you do not have workers' compensation coverage through SDIS, a project that improves work safety would not be eligible.

How Can We Apply?

Fill out and return the application for your district by mail to SDAO, PO Box 12613, Salem, Oregon 97309 or email to memberservices@sdao.com by **noon on Wednesday, November 16, 2022**. You can download a copy of the application on our website at www.sdao.com/safety-security-grant-program.

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Contact Information

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Please complete each field below, either on this form or on a separate sheet. Be sure to print clearly.

Name of SDAO Member District: _____

Complete Mailing Address: _____ Phone Number: _____

_____ Fax: _____

Contact Person: _____ E-Mail: _____

Brief description of proposed project: _____

Total cost: _____

Breakdown of cost(s): _____

Impact on staff, volunteers, and/or community safety: _____

*** NOTES:**

- Routine maintenance to existing facilities and/or equipment and normal business expenses will not be considered.
- Labor costs for district employees are not eligible for in-kind matching.

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