



Campus Security Support Program

Questions Received as of April 20, 2026

- 1. Does the RFP mean to have Institutions of Higher Education (IHEs) create a plan to address identified risk, or to define the plan.**

Response: In their proposal, institutions must outline how they will design and implement an internal process for awarding funds to institutionally-sanctioned student organizations. The Campus Security Support Program was funded by the General Assembly to support the safety and security needs, as requested by institutionally-sanctioned student organizations at risk for violent crime, terror attacks, hate crimes, or harassment. The funds provided to the institution through this version of the program will continue to support those institutionally-sanctioned student organizations. Since the institutionally-sanctioned student organization will be applying for funds awarded to the institution to distribute, they should play a prominent leadership role in all funded activities.

- 2. What is the project term?**

Response: Awarded proposals will have through June 30, 2027, to disperse all lump-sum funding to institutionally sanctioned student organizations, beginning when an agreement is executed between ODHE and the institution.

- 3. Do the student organizations have to be solely focused on campus security, or can it be a student organization that has another purpose (i.e. student government) that can request funding to do something that sees a need for security enhancement on campus, and they want head that project?**

Proposals awarded by the institution should prioritize institutionally sanctioned student organizations that face increased risks of violent crime, terror attacks, hate crimes, or harassment. The purpose of the funding is to provide these organizations with the means to prevent or mitigate risks that are specific to their student organization or affiliated communities.

General security enhancements that benefit the broader campus community may be better suited for other ODHE funding opportunities.

For example, a religiously affiliated student organization that can demonstrate an increased risk of violence, requesting security enhancements for its meeting space, could be an acceptable use of the funds and be prioritized over a proposal to install security cameras in a public parking garage.

4. **Does the RFP require that no single student organization receive more than 25% of the institution's total award amount?**

Response: No single organization should receive more than 25% of the institution's total award amount, unless a compelling justification is provided and approved by ODHE prior to awarding the funds.