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About SLIGP

SLIGP was created under the Middle Class Tax Relief and Job Creation Act of 2012. SLIGP is designed to provide resources to assist regional, state, local and tribal government entities as they plan for the nationwide public safety broadband network (PSBN) being developed by the First Responder Network Authority (FirstNet).

NTIA awarded \$116.5 million in grants to 54 U.S. states and territories. This funding provides recipients with the resources to work with stakeholders throughout the state or territory to identify needs, gaps, and priorities for public safety wireless broadband. This work will also help recipients prepare for consultation with FirstNet.

The State and Local Implementation Grant Program for Public Safety Broadband Planning

SLIGP is a formula-based, matching grant program assisting states, in collaboration with regional, tribal, and local jurisdictions, to plan for the establishment of the First Responder Network Authority (FirstNet) administered by the U.S. Department of Commerce's (DOC) National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA).

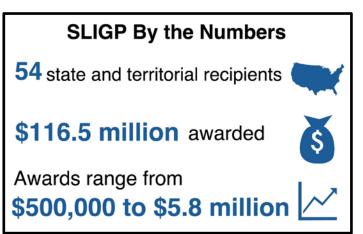
SLIGP Funding Priorities

Awarded states and territories must:

- 1. Establish a governance structure, or expand existing structures, to consult with FirstNet
- 2. Develop procedures to ensure local and tribal representation and participation in the consultation process with FirstNet
- 3. Create a process for education and outreach, through program development or through other efforts, among local and tribal officials, public safety users, and other stakeholders about the nationwide public safety broadband network
- 4. Identify potential public safety users of the public safety broadband network
- 5. Develop a standard Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) to facilitate the use of existing infrastructure with private sector entities that have been chosen by FirstNet to build, operate, and maintain the network on public safety infrastructure, or identified the legal barriers to creating a standard MOA and describe potential remedies
- 6. Develop staffing plans that include local and tribal representation to participate in the public safety governance structure and to prepare for data collection activities in consultation with FirstNet
- 7. Prepare a comprehensive plan as part of their existing Statewide Communications Interoperability Plan (SCIP), or a plan complementary to and similar in concept to their SCIP, describing the public safety needs that they expect FirstNet to address in its design of the nationwide public safety broadband network

SLIGP Funding and Awards

All 50 states, five territories, and the District of Columbia were eligible for SLIGP funding. Awards range in value from approximately \$500,000 to nearly \$6,000,000 in federal funding. Funding allocations were determined using a formula that considered both population and land mass. Most grant recipients are required to provide matching funds (cash or in-kind) in the amount of 20 percent of the total award.



SLIGP Phase I

Phase I of SLIGP spans the entirety of the SLIGP grant period. Grant recipients are focusing on activities related to governance, education and outreach to all relevant stakeholders (state, local, tribal, and regional governments and public safety agencies), FirstNet consultation, and the identification of potential users of the public safety broadband network.

SLIGP Phase II

At the time of award, 50 percent of federal funds were held under a special award condition for Phase II activities. NTIA, in consultation with FirstNet, will determine the timing of Phase II. During Phase II, grant recipients may focus on data collection and/or continue Phase I activities to continue planning for the public safety broadband network.

SLIGP Resources

SLIGP offers a comprehensive website at <u>www.doc.ntia.gov/category/state-and-local-implementation-grant-program</u> providing:

- Materials that describe the overall program including the original Federal Funding Opportunity, the Middle Class Tax Relief and Job Creation Act of 2012, frequently asked questions, and quarterly metrics for the program;
- · Guidance for SLIGP recipients to successfully administer and report on their grant;
- Detailed awards pages for each grant recipient including their award documents and reports; and
- Recipient support materials such as slide presentations and workshop and webinar materials.

In addition, recipients or other interested parties may contact SLIGP at sligp@doc.ntia.gov at any time.

Federal Program Officers (FPO)

NTIA has assigned an FPO to each grant recipient to provide guidance and monitoring throughout the grant period. The map below provides contact information for each FPO and the states under their purview.

