



**CERT (Community Emergency Response
Team) Program
FY2022 Homeland Security Grant Program
Grant Funding Opportunity**

**Application Period
September 1-30, 2023**

OVERVIEW

Oklahoma Department of Emergency Management and Homeland Security is anticipating awarding up to \$50,000 which will be distributed through a competitive funding opportunity for Community Emergency Response Teams (CERT) for disaster preparedness, training and education needs of Oklahomans. Funding amounts are awarded by ODEMHS. **The maximum amount per award will be \$10,000** for planning, organization, equipment, training, exercise. Interested parties may apply for funding for a CERT Program.

The Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) Program is a training program that prepares citizens to help themselves, their families, and their neighbors in the event of a disaster in their community. Through CERT, citizens can learn about disaster preparedness and receive training in basic disaster response skills such as fire safety, light search and rescue, and medical operations. With this training, volunteers can provide critical support by giving immediate assistance to victims before emergency first responders arrive on scene.

1. Priority will be given to applicants who:
 - a. Demonstrate high- cost efficiency.
 - b. Show a high level of partnership activities.
 - c. Demonstrate significant involvement in all-hazard emergency community preparedness.
 - d. Demonstrate strong sustainability plans to sustain the program.

APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

1. Only applications that include the following completed items will be evaluated:
 - a. Completed application
 - b. Must have an “established CERT team” and/or proof (documentation) to startup of CERT team.
 - c. Letter of Support or acknowledgment from the corresponding County Emergency Management Office (except in the case where the applicant is the County Emergency Management Office)
 - d. Team biography and when it was established, or priorities for team startup.
 - e. Affiliation (whether through school/church/city/county who deploys team)
 - f. Proposed budget worksheet.
 - g. Applicant must be able to complete the project by May 31, 2024

APPLICATION SCORING MATRIX

The maximum number of points that can be awarded is 100 and only applicants receiving a minimum score of 60 points will be considered for funding.

The following are the application categories:

- a. General- 5 points
- b. Program Narrative-30 points
- c. Cost Effectiveness- 10 points
- d. Proposed Budget-25 points
- e. Community Integration/Goals-25 points
- f. Jurisdiction -5 points

Applications will be reviewed through an internal and competitive review process where applicants will be scored against the above criteria and ranked. Successful applicants will be notified in writing of the intent by ODEMHS to issue the grant award. After the notice of award, ODEMHS will review the proposed budget provided with the application and provide feedback upon availability of funding. The amount funded may be less than what was requested.

The deadline for completion is May 31, 2024. If you cannot complete by this date, you will be eliminated from consideration.

Type of Organization: _____

LEGAL APPLICANT INFORMATION

Organization Name: _____

Contact Person: _____

Agency UEI Number: _____

Street/Mailing Address: _____

City: _____

State: _____

Zip: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email: _____

SIGNATURE: _____ TITLE: _____ DATE: _____

Project Title/ Summary:

BUDGET:

Planning: \$ _____

Equipment: \$ _____

Training/Exercise: \$ _____

Total Amount of Proposal: \$ _____

