

2023 Pipeline

RDPO Steering Committee Guidance

All projects must fit into at least one of the following categories:

- a. **Helps complete a capability we have been building – such as:** (Click [here](#) to view the capabilities outlined in the RDPO Work Plan)
 - i. **Equipment/Technology/Supplies:** Citizen Corps Program (LISTOS, CERT/NET); Radio Encryption Project; Cybersecurity
 - ii. **Supports a planning project currently underway**
 - iii. **Expands the number of participants to a planned training event**
- b. **Helps address local or regional response and/or recovery gaps that emerged during COVID-19, wildfires, winter storms, extreme heat events, and civil unrest incidents** (e.g., pandemic planning, EOC logistics/resource ordering/supply chain resilience, disaster facility coordination, local volunteer management, public information/messaging, etc.)
- c. **Helps mitigate disaster vulnerability among under-served populations/builds greater community resilience**
 - i. COVID-19 exacerbated vulnerabilities and social and economic disparities among Black-Indigenous-People of Color (BIPOC) and other under-served communities (e.g., those with disabilities, access and functional needs). Key vulnerabilities include ***economic insecurity (including food, job and housing insecurity, lack of access to adequate health care) and information/language/cultural barriers that increase health risk, etc.***
 - ii. Civil unrest/community calls for justice shows systemic racism and long-standing socio-economic inequities among African American communities.
 - iii. Consider all-hazards approach and ensure terrorism nexus (like all UASI-funded projects).
 - iv. Potential to stretch RDPO equity initiatives beyond disaster messaging and Citizen Corps programming (e.g., applying the Social Vulnerability Tool Kit - under UASI FY'19)
 - v. Answers: How can RDPO use the UASI grant alone or in combination/partnership with other programs to build community resilience/improve post-disaster outcomes for under-served communities?
- d. **Helps the RDPO meet the 30% of grant to Law Enforcement Terrorism Prevention Activities (LETPA) or meet federal priority areas.**

Additional Guidance:

- e. **Projects previously submitted, evaluated, and partially funded are eligible for funding.**
 - i. This allows the review committee to evaluate all projects consistently and fairly.
 - ii. Projects that got detailed feedback and suggested improvements during the initial scoring should incorporate the recommendations into a resubmitted proposal if a higher score is desired.
- f. **Projects that benefit multiple jurisdictions or disciplines or assist a single jurisdiction or agency in reaching an established regional goal will be evaluated higher than those that do not.** Click [here](#) to view established regional goals in the RDPO Work Plan.