

**CITY OF BILOXI
AGENDA ITEM
FACT SHEET**

Item No.:

5D

Council Meeting Date:

November 3, 2026

ITEM TITLE: RESOLUTION

INTRODUCED BY: Mayor Andrew "FoFo" Gilich

CONTACT PERSON: Grandver Everett, Interim Director of the Police Department GS #2

SUMMARY EXPLANATION:

Resolution authorizing submission of a sub-grant application to the Mississippi Office of Homeland Security FY 2027 Counter Unmanned Aircraft Systems (C-UAS) Grant Program in the amount of up to \$750,000.00 with no match by the City of Biloxi Police Department.

Resolution ☒

Ordinance ☐

Public Hearing ☐

Routine Agenda ☐

Exhibits for Review

Contract ☐ Minutes ☐ Plans/Maps ☐ Deed ☐ Lease ☐

Other (Specify): Exhibit "A" - Program Information

Submittal Authorization:

Council President ☐

Mayor ☒

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

COUNCIL ACTION: Motion By: _____ Second By: _____

Vote:	Councilmember	Yes	No	AFR	ABST	Councilmember	Yes	No	AFR	ABST
	Gray	___	___	___	___	Tisdale	___	___	___	___
	Marshall	___	___	___	___	Glavan	___	___	___	___
	Nail	___	___	___	___	Shoemaker	___	___	___	___
	Creel	___	___	___	___					

ACTION TAKEN:

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Resolution No.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SUBMISSION OF A SUB-GRANT APPLICATION TO
THE MISSISSIPPI OFFICE OF HOMELAND SECURITY FY 2027 COUNTER UNMANNED
AIRCRAFT SYSTEMS (C-UAS) GRANT PROGRAM IN THE AMOUNT OF UP TO
\$750,000.00 WITH NO MATCH BY THE CITY OF BILOXI POLICE DEPARTMENT

WHEREAS, the City of Biloxi (the “City”) Police Department is eligible to apply for grant funds from the Mississippi Office of Homeland Security FY 2027 Counter Unmanned Aircraft Systems (C-UAS) Grant Program as referenced in Exhibit “A”;

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the Police Department to apply for up to Seven Hundred and Fifty Thousand and 00/100 Dollars (\$750,000.00) in grant funding with no match;

WHEREAS, if awarded, the Police Department will utilize the grant funding to acquire a D-Fend EnforceAir2 system, SkySafe drone detection and airspace intelligence services, one portable C-UAS detection system supplied by Safeware, a mobile support trailer, and related operator training to enhance security at public events, protect critical infrastructure, support emergency response, and provide regional mutual aid; and

WHEREAS, it is the recommendation of Grandver Everett, Interim Chief of Police, that the governing authorities authorize submission of a grant application.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BILOXI, MISSISSIPPI, THAT:

SECTION ONE: The findings, conclusions, and statements of fact contained in the foregoing preamble are hereby adopted, ratified, and incorporated herein.

SECTION TWO: The Mayor, or his designee, is hereby authorized to do all things necessary to effectuate the intent of this resolution, including, but not limited to, to execution of documents and/or electronic submission of the grant application attached hereto as Exhibit “A”.

SECTION FOUR: This resolution shall take effect and be in force from and after adoption.



Fiscal Year 2027 Counter Unmanned Aircraft Systems (C-UAS) Grant Program Funding Guidance

The Department of Homeland Security (DHS)/Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) announced on October 17, 2026, the FY2027 C-UAS Grant Program under the authority of the *Working Families Tax Cut Act, 2025*. This program provides a total of \$250 million in funding for FY2027 to support state, local, tribal and territorial governments combatting the unlawful use of unmanned aircraft systems that threaten the safety and security of the American people, communities, and institutions.

Eligibility for FY2027 funding is limited to local, tribal, and territorial government entities located in Mississippi, including city and county agencies, law enforcement, fire services, emergency medical services, emergency management, and other qualifying public safety organizations.

Program Goals and Objectives: The C-UAS Grant Program's primary objective is to ensure SLTT agencies and public safety entities have the resources, training, and operational capacity to detect, track, and identify UAS threats.

The program's goals are to:

1. Strengthen national preparedness by equipping SLTT agencies with C-UAS Grant Program's capabilities.
2. Protect critical infrastructure, mass gatherings, and sensitive government operations from UAS threats.
3. Support the deployment of fixed or portable systems for UAS detection, tracking, and identification consistent with applicable laws.

FEMA created the C-UAS Grant Program to ensure that SLTT agencies receive funds to purchase DTI equipment or services for the detection, tracking, and identification, of UA and UAS signals consistent with the legal authorities of those SLTTs. Under this grant program, SLTT entities and first responder and/or public safety entities may use federal funds through grant programs to purchase fixed or portable systems that can detect, track, and identify UAS threats consistent with applicable laws.

FEMA Resources for Grant Program:

FY27 FEMA Counter-Unmanned Aircraft System Grant Program Notice of Funding:

<https://www.fema.gov/fact-sheet/notice-funding-opportunity-nofo-counter-unmanned-aircraft-systems-c-uas-grant-program>

FY27 FEMA Counter-Unmanned Aircraft Systems Fact Sheet:

https://www.fema.gov/sites/default/files/documents/fema_gpd_c-uas-tranche-2-fact-sheet_102026.pdf

FY27 FEMA Counter-Unmanned Aircraft Systems Grant Program Frequently Asked Questions:

https://www.fema.gov/sites/default/files/documents/fema_gpd_c-uas-tranche-2-faqs_102026.pdf

Important Deadlines:

MOHS Grant Application Deadline: The deadline for this grant application will be **Friday, November 6, 2026, by 5:00 p.m.** This is a firm deadline, and late submissions will **NOT** be considered.

FEMA Anticipated Award Date: December 10, 2026

FEMA Anticipated Period of Performance: December 10, 2026-December 9, 2029

Mississippi Expected Award: \$3,617,564.00

Mississippi Expected Award to Local Jurisdictions: \$2,894,051.20

Grant Application Details:

Eligibility: Eligibility requirements are for local jurisdictions only. Non-Profits and state agencies are not eligible for this award. The MOHS is the only eligible applicant and will apply for all sub-recipients through the formal FEMA process.

The MOHS will issue sub-awards after FEMA approval of those applicants that meet the requirements of this grant program.

FY2027 Application Requirement: For funding consideration, the following required documents must include the following:

- FEMA Investment Justification (IJ) Form;
- C-UAS Grant Program Application Certifications
- Local Consent Agreement
- Mission Statement
- Audit (Most Recent)
- NIMS Certifications
- Registration and Certification- Proof of National Counter-Unmanned Aircraft Systems Training Center registration and, where applicable, certification.

FY2027 Submissions: Only electronic submissions will be accepted. Application packages received after this time/date or sent to any other email address or by any other delivery method will not be considered.

Incomplete, scanned copies, altered or prior versions of required forms, combined forms, embedded links of Application documents, or zip files will not be considered. Missing IJ and/or required documentation will also make the application not to be considered.

Please ensure that your application package email submission is accurate and complete before sending. Resubmitted, duplicate, or incomplete Applications will also not to be considered.

Please note: This grant is NOT just an equipment grant for drones.
This grant WILL require the following:

- FEMA Counter-Unmanned Aircraft System Certification with FEMA and DHS
- Policy and Procedures regarding: Privacy, civil liberties and information technology cybersecurity related to the operation of the C-UAS.
- Procure equipment under the approved FEMA Approved Technology List (ATL). Different from the FEMA Authorized Equipment List (AEL).
- Engage in mutual aid
- Meet all requirements for licenses, authorization, certification, notices, registrations, permits and filings with federal, state and local authorities.
- Maintain and report data, records, information, as required.
- Certify with FEMA that the jurisdiction is a Designated Operating Agency, establishing the designated agency with operating custody and control of systems during operation.
- Maintain accreditation and certification status of each designated operating agency with the National Counter-UAS Training Center (NCUTC).
- The designated operating agency must be accredited, under 6 C.F.R. § 124.6 **before** the system is operated and remain accredited, annually, with proof of accreditation.

Prohibition on Covered Equipment or Services: Subrecipients and their contractors or subcontractors must comply with the prohibitions set forth in Section 889 of the John S. McCain National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2019, which restricts the purchase of covered telecommunications and surveillance equipment and services. Please see 2 C.F.R. §§ 200.216, 200.327, 200.471, and Appendix II to 2 C.F.R. Part 200, and FEMA Policy #405-143-1 – Prohibitions on Expending FEMA Award Funds for Covered Telecommunications Equipment or Services for more information.

Application Criteria: Applicants must clearly describe the operational need for UAS detection capabilities in the jurisdiction, including specific threats, vulnerabilities, or gaps that the project will address.

The Investment Justification must outline the proposed project and implementation plan, detailing the activities to be undertaken, the timeline for completion, and how the project will enhance UAS detection, tracking, and response capabilities.

Additionally, applicants must include a detailed budget that breaks down costs by category (e.g., Planning, Organization, Equipment, Training, and Exercises) and provides justification for each expense. All submissions must adhere to the requirements outlined in the Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) and comply with applicable federal laws and regulations.

Allowable Activities: Please see the following chart regarding possible FEMA approved activities for this grant program.

Purpose	Type	Examples
Planning		
Plan Development	Operations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> UAS response Statewide C-UAS and Low-Altitude Airspace Domain Awareness Strategy Standard Operating Procedures
Organization		
System Deployment	Personnel	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Program Management Operational Overtime
Equipment		
Detection	Sensors	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Radar systems Electro Optical and Infrared Cameras Passive Acoustic Systems
	Cameras	
Tracking	Remote ID Systems	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Remote ID Receivers GPS-Based Tracking Systems ADS-B (Automatic Dependent Surveillance-Broadcast) Receivers Wi-Fi and Bluetooth Receivers Radios
	Broadcast Beacon Receivers	
Identification	UAS Identification Systems	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Remote ID Decoders AI-Based Video Analytics Radio Frequency (RF) Signal Triangulation Geolocation Systems
	Operator Identification Systems	
	UAS Forensics Tools	
Mitigation	Radio Frequency Systems	Only mobile equipment within an ATL category and, where populated, on the ASL (CFR section 124.7), including but not limited to:
	Kinetic Systems	

Purpose	Type	Examples
		<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Mobile radio frequency disruption systems (jammers)• Radio frequency protocol manipulation• Radio frequency detection with command and control signal interception• Command and control protocol manipulation systems (command injection and cyber takeover)
Deployment, Operation & Maintenance	Vehicles	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Vehicles (dedicated to enable the mobility of DIMIT-M equipment)• Trailers• Generators• Point to Point links• Mesh Networking
	Services/Subscriptions	
	Equipment	
	Operations and Maintenance	
Training		
DIMIT-M	NCUTC	In-Person and Online: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Training• Certification
DIMIT-M	Vendor	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Training
Exercises		
DIMIT-M	Internally Executed Vendor-supported	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Seminar• Workshop• Tabletop Exercise• Drill• Functional Exercise• Full-Scale Exercise

Additional examples of the POETE framework applied to the C-UAS Grant Program include, but are not limited to:

Planning Costs:

- Developing or updating C-UAS response plans that integrate detection systems into existing emergency operations plans (EOPs) or incident command systems.
- Conducting risk assessments to identify high-priority areas for UAS detection, such as critical infrastructure, public events, or disaster-prone areas.
- Developing standard operating procedures (SOPs) for responding to unauthorized or malicious UAS activity.
- Coordinating with federal agencies (e.g., FAA, DHS, DOJ, FCC) to ensure compliance with federal laws and regulations governing UAS detection and mitigation.
- Establishing information-sharing protocols with fusion centers, law enforcement, and other stakeholders to disseminate UAS-related threat intelligence.
- Planning for the integration of UAS detection systems with existing public safety technologies, such as Geospatial Information Systems (GIS) platforms or computer-aided dispatch systems.

Organization:

- Salaries for personnel supporting C-UAS operations. (VERY Limited)

Exercising:

- Conducting tabletop exercises to simulate UAS-related incidents and test response plans, SOPs, and coordination protocols.
- Organizing functional exercises to test the operation of UAS detection systems and the integration of these systems with other public safety technologies.
- Running full-scale exercises to simulate large-scale UAS threats, such as unauthorized UAS activity at a public event or near critical infrastructure.
- Including multi-jurisdictional exercises to test coordination between state, local, tribal, and federal agencies, as well as private sector partners.
- Conducting after-action reviews to identify lessons learned and areas for improvement following exercises.
- Incorporating UAS detection scenarios into broader homeland security exercises, such as those focused on terrorism or disaster response.
- Note: Testing, proficiency training, and exercises with systems that require the authority of 6 U.S.C. § 124n are not operations under the Act and must be conducted in accordance with 6 C.F.R. § 124.18, including a written activities plan, FCC authorization and FAA coordination where the system emits radio frequency energy, use of controlled test targets the agency owns, operates, or has consent to use, and purge of any incidentally collected third-party communications at the conclusion of the activity.

Types of Allowable Equipment:

For detection, tracking, and identification

- Radar (active and passive)
- Electro Optical and Infrared Cameras
- Radio Frequency Detection Systems
- Acoustic Systems
- Remote ID and similar broadcast beacon receivers
- Integrated multi-sensor systems include all or some of the above
- Senior fusion software and hardware
- Networking communication

For UAS Mitigation:

- Physical barrier such as Security Netting (authorized for all entities)
- Only available for jurisdiction trained at the FBI NCUTC – specific systems are subject to approval by NCUTC
- Radio frequency cyber take-over

- Radio frequency jamming
- Drone interception (those not considered “weaponized aircraft”)
- Integrated systems which combine some or all the above
- Third Party Data Service Providers
- Acquiring sensor fusion software to integrate data from multiple detection systems into a common operational picture (COP)
- Procuring portable / mobile UAS detection systems for use during temporary events or in remote areas. Investing in UAS software-as-a-service (SaaS) subscription models to access cutting-edge technology without the need for large upfront investments, including but not limited to surveillance as a service and data as a service
- Purchasing mounts, masts, power supplies, and networking equipment to support the deployment of UAS detection systems
- Procuring calibration tools and spares to ensure the ongoing functionality of detection equipment

Please note: Prior to purchase, applicants should include proof of registration and, where applicable, certification with their grant application and maintain this documentation for compliance purposes.

For equipment that provides mitigation capability, have personnel who hold a current Mitigation Certification issued by the NCUTC, or who are enrolled in or scheduled for the NCUTC mitigation training course.

- For equipment that provides DTIM capabilities subject to the authority of 6 U.S.C. § 124n (currently, radio frequency detection systems that intercept or access UAS control communications), have personnel who hold a current NCUTC Detection and Warning Certification, or who are enrolled in or scheduled for the NCUTC mitigation training course.

•Note: The Detection and Warning curriculum is online, is provided at no cost through the NCUTC Training Portal and has no enrollment waitlist.

- Detection equipment that does not require the authority of 6 U.S.C. § 124n (for example, radar, electro-optical and infrared cameras, acoustic sensors, and Remote ID receivers) is not subject to this requirement.

Reminder: Enrollment satisfies procurement eligibility only; if it does not authorize operation. Before conducting any operation under 6 U.S.C. § 124n(a)(2), requirements include complete agency accreditation under § 124.6: adopt an agency implementation policy (or, for detection and warning only, a detection and warning policy under § 124.6(g)), obtain legal counsel review, and attest through the Federal C-UAS Coordination Portal. The attestation must be renewed annually. Model policies are available on the portal.

FEMA will verify enrollment, certification, and accreditation status with the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) NCUTC. The NCUTC certification database records all certifications issued under § 124.5 of 6 C.F.R. Part 124, and the Federal C-UAS Coordination Portal records each agency’s accreditation attestation under § 124.6. Upon request from FEMA to ncutc@fbi.gov, the NCUTC will confirm Detection and Warning Certification, Mitigation Certification, mitigation course enrollment, and accreditation status (including attestation date and renewal status) for each designated operating agency identified in an application and will re-verify upon any reported change in designated operating agency.

Training and Travel:

Training programs for C-UAS systems:

- Attendance at FBI NCUTC
- Necessary related travel costs for C-UAS personnel adhering to federal U.S General Services Administration standards and policy
- Providing hands-on training for first responders on the operation of specific UAS detection systems
- Conducting train-the-trainer programs to build local capacity for ongoing training efforts
- Providing scenario-based training to prepare responders for real-world UAS threats, such as swarming drones or UAS equipped with payloads

- Training personnel on the interpretation of UAS detection data and the integration of this data into decision-making process.

FY27 Counter-Unmanned Aircraft Systems Grant Investment Justification/Application:

FY2027 Investment Justification (IJ): The attached Investment Justification (IJ) is provided by FEMA in an Excel document format. The IJ must be submitted to the MOHS in this format, or it will be ineligible for review. The example is provided by FEMA, to assist with filling out the Investment Justification.

Instructions:				
Where applicable, select from the available dropdown list:	Yes	No	Not Applicable	
This template is designed to capture information necessary to determine funding requests and subsequent prioritization. Although this is not a required form, failing to provide the information necessary to evaluate projects may result limit evaluators ability to properly assess project effectiveness. Consistency in format will help ensure consistent reviews and results among applicants. Subapplicants should complete the below application and return it to their SAA to be considered for funding. SAAs seeking to implement projects should complete the below application for an SAA project. If completing projects on behalf of local agencies, complete a "subapplicant" tab for each local agency project. <i>Tab name = Subapplicant name. One subapplicant = one project. Please "copy" tab to create more subapplicants. SAA project = one tab, identify "obo subapplicant" in equipment/services narrative when implemented on behalf of eligible subapplicants.</i>				
Section 1: Cover/Contact Information				
Subrecipient:	Racoon City			
Project Title:	Operation Peregrine			
Project Amount:	\$5,608,951	*NOTE: Project Amount autopopulates from budget. Do not edit.		
Point of Contact	(Name)	(Title)	(E-Mail)	(Phone)
Agency Certifying Official	(Name)	(Title)	(E-Mail)	(Phone)
Section 2: Executive Summary				
Narrative:	e.g. This project will deploy a multi-sensor C-UAS detection and mitigation system at Metro Stadium to protect large-scale events, including the 2026 FIFA World Cup. The project will enhance public safety, support mutual aid, and comply with all federal and state requirements.			
Eligibility Statement	I certify that I am an eligible state administrative authority. I have read and will abide by the requirements of the C-UAS			
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Section 3: Project Description (answer yes or no and provide a brief explanation)				
Planned Activities/Services/Equipment	Yes	e.g. Install 4 radar sensors and 2 PTZ cameras with AI connectors for +D14:122360-degree stadium coverage. Provide operator training and develop SOPs for event response.		
Training/Exercise/Security Planning	Yes	e.g. 2 police officers attending DTI-M training at FBI Schoolhouse.		
Mitigation Capabilities	Yes	e.g. Includes jammers and net systems for authorized mitigation.		
Radar Use Case	Yes	e.g. 4 radars for perimeter detection.		
EO/IR Integration	Yes	e.g. Cameras provide day/night coverage and integrate with radar.		
Passive RF (DF methods)	Yes	e.g. Integrated passive detection built into radar system.		
Remote ID Compliance	Yes	e.g. Yes. System compliant with ASTM F3411-22a.		
DTI Description	Yes	e.g. System detects, tracks, and identifies UAS using radar and EO/IR integration.		
Deployment/Connectivity Elements	Yes	e.g. Includes network switches, backup generator, and secure data links.		
SaaS/Data Sharing Alignment	Yes	e.g. Yes. Data sharing via secure cloud service with DHS.		

Section 4: Capability Gap		
Capability Gap	Yes	Use this field for a summary statement of the overall deficiency or unmet need. e.g. Yes. Data sharing via secure cloud service with DHS.
Threats/Vulnerabilities	Yes	The risk that harmful events (e.g., unauthorized drones) could exploit weaknesses in our systems or procedures to cause harm. E.g. Large public events are vulnerable to unauthorized drone activity, posing risks to public safety and critical infrastructure.
Current System Gaps	Yes	Use this field to list or describe the specific factors (equipment, training, policy, etc.) that make up the broader capability gap. E.g. No integrated detection or response protocols for UAS threats.

Section 5: Project Objectives		
Project Objectives		e.g. Enhance detection, tracking, and mitigation of UAS threats at Metro Stadium. Train 10 operators
C-UAS Priority link		e.g. Objective 1: Enhance UAS detection and response capabilities.
Public Safety Impact		e.g. Improved safety for event attendees and first responders.
Other		
Other		

Section 6: Strategic Plan alignment	
Coordination/Implementation Plan(s)	Role/contribution within plan
List plan or plans in which your agency is included as a	Describe your roles and contribution to addressing/implementing CUAS capabilities. E.g. We are the
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The example is cut off, it states:

We are the primary law enforcement agency responsible for providing drone detection and tracking capabilities.

Section 7: Implementation Plan (Timeline/Milestones) Identify milestones required to complete project activities/objectives. All work must be completed within the period of performance.							
Project activities/objectives	Milestone 1	Milestone 2	Milestone 3	Milestone 4	Milestone 5	Start Date	End Date
e.g. OR/IR Integration	e.g. Complete site survey and receive FEMA EHP approval	Install equipment	Train operators	Utilize equipment and share feed with partner agencies.	Final drawdown, reporting and closeout	7/1/2027	12/31/2027
e.g. Train and certify all designated operators	Register for approved training courses	Train operators	Utilize equipment	Final drawdown, reporting and closeout		7/1/2026	12/31/2026
e.g. Deploy and integrate C-UAS detection and, if authorized, mitigation systems	Procure previously identified mitigation equipment.	Receive mitigation training at the FBI Schoolhouse.	Utilize equipment at Summer Olympics event	Consolidate, analyze and share data and lessons learned.	Final drawdown, reporting and closeout	7/1/2026	12/31/2026

Section 8: Performance Goals & Measurement (NOFO aligned) Complete the "Baseline" and "Target" columns

Retain for future use. Reporting requirements should measure project effectiveness in addressing performance goals.

Goals	Performance Measure	Baseline	Target
1.a. Strengthen national preparedness by equipping SLTT agencies with C-UAS Grant Program capabilities.	Percentage of funds utilized for purchase of C-UAS equipment. (Program Target 70%)	e.g. no C-UAS equipment is owned	e.g. 70% of this project funded C-UAS equipment
1.b. Strengthen national preparedness by equipping SLTT agencies with C-UAS Grant Program capabilities.	Percentage of funds utilized for purchase of C-UAS services. (Program Target 10%)	e.g. no C-UAS services available	e.g. 10% of this project funded C-UAS services
1.c. Strengthen national preparedness by equipping SLTT agencies with C-UAS Grant Program capabilities.	Percentage of funds utilized for training personnel in the operation of C-UAS technology. (Program Target 20%)	e.g. 0 staff trained/certified	e.g. 20% of program funds were used to train/certify designated staff
2.a. Protect critical infrastructure, mass gatherings, and sensitive government operations from UAS threats.	80% of mitigation systems procured through the C-UAS Grant Program used to protect the 2028 Olympic and paralympic Games, other National Special Security Events or Special Event Assessment Rating activities in conjunction with Federal authorities.	e.g. 0% C-UAS deployment at SEAR/NSSE events	e.g. 80% C-UAS deployment at SEAR/NSSE events
2.b. Protect critical infrastructure, mass gatherings, and sensitive government operations from UAS threats.	Successfully identify and classify 90% of detected UAS threats (e.g., distinguishing between commercial, recreational, and potentially malicious UAS).	e.g. 0% classification of detected UAS	e.g. 90% classification of detected UAS
2.c. Protect critical infrastructure, mass gatherings, and sensitive government operations from UAS threats.	Make equipment available for interagency deployment throughout state for mass gathering events.	e.g. 3 memorandums of agreement	e.g. 10 memorandums of agreement
3. a. Support the deployment of fixed or portable systems for UAS detection, tracking, identification, and—where authorized—mitigation, consistent with applicable laws.	Total number of hours each system is in active use since acquisition	e.g. 0 hours active	e.g. 500 hours active
3.b. Support the deployment of fixed or portable systems for UAS detection, tracking, identification, and—where authorized—mitigation, consistent with applicable laws.	Cumulative number of UAS detections made by systems including repeated detections of the same UAS	e.g. 0 UAS detections	e.g. 735 UAS detections
3.c. Support the deployment of fixed or portable systems for UAS detection, tracking, identification, and—where authorized—mitigation, consistent with applicable laws.	Number of distinct UAS identified, ensuring that multiple detections of the same UAS are counted as a single unique even	e.g. 0 UAS identified	e.g. 735 UAS identified
3.d. Support the deployment of fixed or portable systems for UAS detection, tracking, identification, and—where authorized—mitigation, consistent with applicable laws.	Launch criminal investigations on 100% of identified violations of civil and criminal laws when UAS operators endanger the public, violate established airspace restrictions, or operate a UAS in furtherance of an element of another crime. (Include Total number of investigations launched based on intelligence provided by C-UAS)	e.g. 0% operational, 0 investigations	e.g. 100% operational by end of project period; investigated 735 of 735 detected UAS.

Section 9: Policy and Compliance: Answer Yes/No and state intent/status

DHS/DOJ Policy Commitment	Yes	e.g. Yes. Will comply with all DHS/DOJ C-UAS policies.
Privacy Protections	Yes	e.g. Policies are in place for data minimization, access controls, and compliance with state law.
Operational Coordination	Yes	e.g. Have MOU with FBI and DHS for event support.
FCC/FAA Compliance	Yes	e.g. All operations will comply with FCC/FAA regulations.
Special Events Support	Yes	e.g. Yes. Will support regional special events upon request
Mutual Aid Agreements	Yes	e.g. Yes. Mutual aid with county law enforcement.
Data Sharing	No	e.g. Currently unavailable, intend to develop a cloud-based sharing with DHS per vendor contract.
Federal Statutes Compliance	Yes	e.g. Yes. Will comply with all federal statutes and directives.

Budget Summary: Do not edit this section. Amounts are auto-summed from subsequent sections (e.g. Personnel costs from the "Personnel/Fringe Benefits" or "Travel" etc.).

COST CLASSIFICATION	Planning	Organization	Equipment	Training	Exercise	M&A	Total Project Amount
Personnel/Fringe Benefits	\$0	\$128,728	\$0	\$8,240	\$0	\$0	\$136,968
Travel	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$2,988	\$0	\$0	\$2,988
Equipment	\$0	\$0	\$5,420,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$5,420,000
Supplies	\$0	\$0	\$2,795	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$2,795
Consultants/Contractors	\$0	\$12,000	\$5,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$17,000
Other Costs	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Management and Administration	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$29,200	\$29,200
TOTAL	\$0	\$140,728	\$5,427,795	\$11,228	\$0	\$29,200	\$5,608,951

This is a very basic Application Budget required for FEMA.

If adding lines for additional Saved to this PC (e.g. equipment), please copy/paste an existing line or built-in formulas from the same category to ensure accurate budget summary.

A & B. Personnel/Fringe Benefits (not including management and administration)

Narrative

- 1 FTE supervisor – create, develop policy, plan, maintain, and supervise the C-UAS program over the performance period. This supervisor will also work with federal partners to establish a regional C-UAS response.
- Overtime to deploy C-UAS operators to support the Regional events for the performance period of the grant (2026-2028).
- Overtime for a detective to follow up and conduct criminal investigations of unlawful UAS detected.

Positions	Solution Area	# of FTEs	Rate	Quantity (# of hours)	Total Request
Supervisor: 40 days of 2027 Olympics event	Organization	1	\$155	640	\$99,021
DTI-M Tech operator: 24 days of Salary and Fringe operational for Olympics 2027 venue	Organization	2	\$103	288	\$59,414
DTI-M operator attend FBI Schoolhouse training	Training	2	\$103	40	\$8,240
		0	\$0	0	\$0
		0	\$0	0	\$0
		0	\$0	0	\$0
		0	\$0	0	\$0
		0	\$0	0	\$0
	TOTAL				\$166,675

C. Travel

Narrative

Travel for 2 officers to attend FBI Schoolhouse training in Quantico VA

Purpose	Solution Area		# of trips	\$ per each	Total Request
Airfare	Training		2	\$700	\$1,400
Taxi from airport to training center	Training		5	\$100	\$500
Meals and Incidentals at GSA M&IE rate for 2 officers x 8 days at Quantico VA	Training		16	\$68	\$1,088
					\$0
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TOTAL					\$2,988

D. Equipment

Narrative

The stadium worked with Dedrone to analyze the current system and physical landscape to design enhancements that would augment current system capabilities suitable to our environment. The recommended detection enhancement is for 4 radar sensors to provide 360 degree stadium coverage as well as 2 additional pan, tilt, zoom cameras with AI-connectors that can easily integrate into the current system and its central processing hub.

Item	Solution Area		# of items	\$ per each	Total Request
Detection: Passive Radar System	Equipment		4	\$255,000	\$1,020,000
Detection: Portable PTZ cameras with AI connectors and mounts	Equipment		2	\$35,000	\$70,000
Mitigation: Drone Immobilization X2000 Pro interceptor seek, track and immobilize	Equipment		1	\$4,200,000	\$4,200,000
Agency Transport SUVs	Equipment		20	\$65,000	\$1,300,000
					\$0
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TOTAL					\$6,590,000

E. Supplies					
Narrative					
n/a					
Item	Solution Area		# of Items	\$ per each	Total Request
Ratchet Straps (4 pack) to stabilize radar equipment	Equipment		5	\$25	\$125
Various size nuts, bolts, u-rings and adhesive tape for securing equipment	Equipment		1	\$300	\$300
Locking hard cases to secure equipment	Equipment		15	\$150	\$2,250
Pad-locks	Equipment		15	\$8	\$120
					\$0
					\$0
					\$0
	TOTAL				\$2,795

F. Consultants/Contractors					
Narrative					
Contract services for training on the specific equipment purchased through this grant, projected at \$10,000					
Purpose	Solution Area				Total Request
Software license costs includes radar, camera, and AI integration	Organization				\$12,000
Deployment installation services contract	Equipment				\$5,000
	TOTAL				\$17,000

G. Other Costs					
Narrative					
n/a					
Item	Solution Area		# of Items	\$ per each	Total Request
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	TOTAL				\$0

STOP: Application is complete. Verify services, equipment, quantities and costs are accurate. Send your project to the SAA for collection and review.

The Application will stop for the Applicant at Line 185 of the Investment Justification.

FY2027 Application Review: Applications will be reviewed through a two-phase state and federal review process for completeness, adherence to programmatic guidelines, feasibility, and how well the project description and justifications address the identified criteria.

All applications will be submitted to FEMA, **reviewed and approved by FEMA for award, not the MOHS.** FEMA will review for eligibility, feasibility and alignment with the program criteria with the FEMA Notice of Funding.

FY2027 Award Announcements: Once the MOHS receives the names, amounts and approvals for the grant awards, the MOHS will make formal announcements. The MOHS WILL contact each applicant for an award or non-approval.

FY2027 Award Packages: Once the MOHS has received approval for the awards, the MOHS staff will move into the formal award process to draft award documentation, prepare for implementation, and provide executed award packets to all sub-grants.

FY27 C-UAS Grant Application Submission Checklist

1. FEMA Investment Justification/Application: Submit in EXCEL
2. Local Consent Agreement
3. Mission Statement of Agency
4. Audit (Most Recent)
5. NIMS Certifications
6. Registration and Certification- Proof of National Counter-Unmanned Aircraft Systems Training Center registration and, where applicable.

Please submit all documents above to the MS Office of Homeland Security Email Address at: mohsgrants@dps.ms.gov, by **November 6, 2026, at 5:00 p.m.** No consideration for late entries.



**Fiscal Year 2027
Counter Unmanned Aircraft Systems (C-UAS) Grant Program
Local Consent Agreement**

I, _____ a duly authorized official of _____,
Full Name **Jurisdiction**

(the "Local Governmental Entity"), located at: _____
Address of Entity

hereby expressly consent to the State Adminstrating Agency, the Mississippi Office of Homeland Security, undertaking the following acts in accordance with the Counter Unmanned Aircraft Systems (C-UAS) Grant Program for federal Fiscal Year 2027, as authorized by Section 2004 of the Homeland Security Act of 2002, as amended (Pub. L. No. 107-296) (6 U.S.C. § 605):

1. Retain **\$108,526.92** at the state level for allowable management and administration costs; and
2. Utilize **\$3,509,037.08** in FY27 Counter Unmanned Aircraft Systems (C-UAS) Grant Program funds as follows:
 - a. **\$2,894,051.20** to local government agencies for the C-UAS Grant Program.
 - b. **\$614,985.88** to be retained by the state, for other costs such as equipment, services, training and supplies for the SAA, on behalf of the local government agencies.

This consent is given with the understanding that the Local Government Entity will receive state support in line with the FY27 Counter Unmanned Aircraft Systems (C-UAS) Grant Program-purpose, goals, objectives, performance measures and targets of the program.

This support is for both planned events and emergency threats through a mobile, scalable, and sustainable capability, increasing public safety and protecting critical infrastructure in lieu of direct funding (cash) under FY27 Counter Unmanned Aircraft Systems (C-UAS) Grant Program. This consent is only effective for the FY27 Counter Unmanned Aircraft Systems (C-UAS) Grant Program.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Instructions:

Where applicable, select from the available dropdown list: Yes No Not Applicable

This template is designed to capture information necessary to determine funding requests and subsequent prioritization. Although this is not a required form, failing to provide the information necessary to evaluate projects may result limit evaluators ability to properly assess project effectiveness. Consistency in format will help ensure consistent reviews and results among applicants. Subapplicants should complete the below application and return it to their SAA to be considered for funding. SAAs seeking to implement projects should complete the below application for an SAA project. If completing projects on behalf of local agencies, complete a "subapplicant" tab for each local agency project. **Tab name = Subapplicant name. One subapplicant = one project. Please "copy" tab to create more subapplicants. SAA project = one tab, identify "obo subapplicant" in equipment/services narrative when implemented on behalf of eligible subapplicants.**

Section 1: Cover/Contact Information

Subrecipient:				
Project Title:				
Project Amount:	\$0	*NOTE: Project Amount autopopulates from budget. Do not edit.		
Point of Contact	(Name)	(Title)	(E-Mail)	(Phone)
Agency Certifying Official	(Name)	(Title)	(E-Mail)	(Phone)

Section 2: Executive Summary

Narrative:	
Eligibility Statement	

Section 3: Project Description (answer yes or no and provide a brief explanation)

Planned Activities/Services/Equipment		
Training/Exercise/Security Planning		
Mitigation Capabilities		
Radar Use Case		
EO/IR Integration		
Passive RF (DF methods)		
Remote ID Compliance		
DTI Description		
Deployment/Connectivity Elements		
SaaS/Data Sharing Alignment		

Section 4: Capability Gap

Capability Gap		
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Section 8: Performance Goals & Measurement (NOFO aligned) Complete the "Baseline" and "Target" columns

Retain for future use. Reporting requirements should measure project effectiveness in addressing performance goals.

Goals	Performance Measure	Baseline	Target	Actual (upon closeout)
1.a. Strengthen national preparedness by equipping SLTT agencies with C-UAS Grant Program capabilities.	Percentage of funds utilized for purchase of C-UAS equipment. (Program Target 70%)			
1.b. Strengthen national preparedness by equipping SLTT agencies with C-UAS Grant Program capabilities.	Percentage of funds utilized for purchase of C-UAS services. (Program Target 10%)			
1.c. Strengthen national preparedness by equipping SLTT agencies with C-UAS Grant Program capabilities.	Percentage of funds utilized for training personnel in the operation of C-UAS technology. (Program Target 20%)			
2.a. Protect critical infrastructure, mass gatherings, and sensitive government operations from UAS threats.	80% of mitigation systems procured through the C-UAS Grant Program used to protect the 2028 Olympic and paralympic Games, other National Special Security Events or Special Event Assessment Rating activities in conjunction with Federal authorities.			
2.b. Protect critical infrastructure, mass gatherings, and sensitive government operations from UAS threats.	Successfully identify and classify 90% of detected UAS threats (e.g., distinguishing between commercial, recreational, and potentially malicious UAS).			
2.c. Protect critical infrastructure, mass gatherings, and sensitive government operations from UAS threats.	Make equipment available for interagency deployment throughout state for mass gathering events.			
3. a. Support the deployment of fixed or portable systems for UAS detection, tracking, identification, and—where authorized—mitigation, consistent with applicable laws.	Total number of hours each system is in active use since acquisition			
3.b. Support the deployment of fixed or portable systems for UAS detection, tracking, identification, and—where authorized—mitigation, consistent with applicable laws.	Cumulative number of UAS detections made by systems including repeated detections of the same UAS			
3.c. Support the deployment of fixed or portable systems for UAS detection, tracking, identification, and—where authorized—mitigation, consistent with applicable laws.	Number of distinct UAS identified, ensuring that multiple detections of the same UAS are counted as a single unique even			
3.d. Support the deployment of fixed or portable systems for UAS detection, tracking, identification, and—where authorized—mitigation, consistent with applicable laws.	Launch criminal investigations on 100% of identified violations of civil and criminal laws when UAS operators endanger the public, violate established airspace restrictions, or operate a UAS in furtherance of an element of another crime. (Include Total number of investigations launched based on intelligence provided by C-UAS)			

Section 9: Policy and Compliance: Answer Yes/No and state intent/status

DHS/DOJ Policy Commitment		
Privacy Protections		
Operational Coordination		
FCC/FAA Compliance		
Special Events Support		
Mutual Aid Agreements		
Data Sharing		
Federal Statutes Compliance		

Budget Summary: Do not edit this section. Amounts are auto-summed from subsequent sections (e.g. Personnel costs from the "Personnel/Fringe Benefits" or "Travel" etc.).

COST CLASSIFICATION	Planning	Organization	Equipment	Training	Exercise	M&A	Total Project Amount
Personnel/Fringe Benefits	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Travel	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Equipment	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Supplies	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Consultants/Contractors	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Other Costs	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Management and Administration	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
TOTAL	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

If adding lines for additional items (e.g. equipment), please copy/paste an existing line or built-in formulas from the same category to ensure accurate budget summary.

A & B. Personnel/Fringe Benefits (not including management and administration)						SME Recommendations		Comments
Narrative						To be edited only by Federal review panel and as needed.		SME: Explain why costs are changed or reduced.
Positions	Solution Area	# of FTEs	Rate	Quantity (# of hours)	Total Request	Quantity (# hours only)	Total (Rate x Quantity)	
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C. Travel						SME Recommendations		Comments
Narrative						To be edited only by Federal review panel and as needed.		SME: Explain why costs are changed or reduced.
Purpose	Solution Area		# of trips	\$ per each	Total Request	# of trips	Total	
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D. Equipment						SME Recommendations		Comments
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	TOTAL			\$0		\$0	

<i>Narrative</i>	<i>Solution Area</i>	<i># of FTEs/items</i>	<i>Rate/Price per item</i>	<i># of hours/items</i>	<i>Do not exceed 3% of total project cost</i>	<i>To be edited only by Federal review panel and as needed.</i>	<i>SME: Explain why costs are changed or reduced.</i>
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	TOTAL				\$0	\$0	

STOP: Application is complete. Verify services, equipment, quantities and costs are accurate. Send your project to the SAA for collection and review.

To be completed by the SAA only: C-UAS Grant Program Competitive Application Questions

Program prioritization criterion are outlined below to help assist in determining eligibility and prioritization of funds. Please select the appropriate answers related to the applicant and project.

DHS may contact applicants to provide documentation supporting your responses to the questions below.

If supporting documentation is requested by DHS: Please provide supporting documentation materials via the method specified in the request. Applicants should provide supporting documentation that is readily available and appropriate for their organization.

Examples of supporting documentation may include (but are not limited to): Training certificate from the FBI's National Counter-UAS Training Center or proof of registration for this course (required for approval to purchase mitigation equipment).

Criteria #	Criteria Description	Response
1	Is the applicant a qualified public safety organization? Non-qualified agencies should not be considered for funding.	
2	Timely Implementation: Will full implementation occur within 36 months? Projects requiring longer than the period of performance for complete implementation will not be considered for funding.	
3	Does the applicant have a history of completing projects within scope and on-time? Applicants with a history of poor performance should not be considered for funding.	
4	Special Event Assessment Rating (SEAR) Level I or II: Does the proposal specify support for cities hosting an event of National significance, including 2028 Summer Olympics, Superbowl, national events with an NSSE, SEAR 1 or 2 level designation?	
5	Does the proposal include mitigation (i.e., kinetic or radio frequency intercept capabilities, such as spoofers, jammers, net systems or "kamikaze" drones?	
6	Does the proposal clearly describe how it will detect, track, and identify UAS (mitigation may be described only if properly authorized, but is not required)?	
7	Does the applicant currently have personnel certified to use the requested equipment; or does the proposal include a role based training plan appropriate for the requested equipment? Any proposed training and equipment must be fully consistent with the capabilities and standards of the FBI National Counter-UAS Training Center.	

8	Is the proposal redundant to existing capabilities (not counting other proposals submitted under this application, or expansion/enhancement of existing capabilities)?	
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Recommended Funding level (full or partial)	NSSE, SEAR 1 or 2 (0 or 40)	Mitigation (0 or 30)	Detect-Track-Identify (0 or 8)	DTI Chain (0 or 2)	DTIM Chain (0 or 4)	Deployment/connectivity equipment plan (0 or 4)	Wide Area DTIM Software as a Service (SaaS), (0 or 6)	Trainer and Operator Readiness (0 or 2)	Capability type (new or enhancement/maintenance) (1 or 2)	Timely implementation (≤ 6 months; 12 months). ≤ 6 months = 2 points and within 12 months = 1 point. Zero points if beyond 12 months.	Total Score (cannot exceed 100)	Requested	Recommended Funding Amount	Comments (include comments regarding partial funding recommendation and for projects that are not recommended.)
											0	\$0	\$0	Reduced to focus priority on capabilities needed for NSSE event commensurate with total score of 100 as approved.