

**POOL SAFELY GRANT PROGRAM
FUNDING OPPORTUNITY ANNOUNCEMENT (FOA)
EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

Under the Virginia Graeme Baker Pool and Spa Safety Act (VGB Act), the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) is accepting applications for its fiscal year 2023 Pool Safely Grant Program (PSGP). This program aims to prevent drowning and drain entrapments of children in pools and spas, by providing funding to state and local governments. The funding supports drowning prevention education and enforcement of pool safety regulations. CPSC will determine, in its sole discretion, whether an applicant has met the eligibility requirements under the VGB Act for a PSGP funding grant.

Federal Awarding Agency: U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission
Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) Title: Pool Safely Grant Program
Announcement Type: Initial Announcement
Funding Opportunity Number: CPSC-23-001
Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Number: 87.002
Type of Award Program: New Grant
Due Date for Applications: April 30, 2023, at 11:59 p.m.
Anticipated Award: June 15, 2023
Anticipated Total Annual Available Funding: \$3.5 million
Budget/Project Period Length: Two (2) years
Individual Award Range: \$50,000 to \$400,000
Cost Share or Match: There are no cost-sharing or matching requirements.

CPSC Contacts

For information on the PSGP, including guidance on issues related to this FOA, contact:

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For additional information, visit the CPSC website at: <http://www.cpsc.gov>.
The *Pool Safely* website is at: <https://www.poolsafely.gov>.

Grants.gov Contacts

All applicants seeking a grant under this FOA must submit their application through Grants.gov. For help with submitting an application in Grants.gov, contact:

Grants.gov Contact Center
Phone: (800) 518-4726
E-mail: support@grants.gov
iPortal: <http://grants.gov/iportal>
Note: Applicants should always request a case number when contacting Grants.gov.

I. Program Description

NOTE: Due to passage of PL 117-328, the VGB Act now provides that a minimum 25% of funding must be expended on enforcement activities and up to 75% may be used for education activities. Additionally, Indian Tribes as defined in Sec. 401 are now eligible to apply to the PSGP.

A. Purpose

This FOA solicits applications for the FY 2023 PSGP, in accordance with section 1405 of the VGB Act. This announcement provides potential applicants with details of the requirements to apply for a grant under this program, and it also explains how CPSC will process and evaluate applications.

The purpose of the PSGP is to provide state and local governments with assistance to help implement enforcement and education programs, with the goal of preventing drowning and drain entrapments of children in pools and spas. Under the PSGP, award recipients must allocate their funding, as follows:

1. At least 25 percent of the funding must be used to hire and train enforcement personnel for implementation and enforcement of standards under the state or local swimming pool and spa safety law (i.e. “code enforcement”); and
2. The remainder may be used to:
 - a) educate pool construction and installation companies and pool service companies about the standards;
 - b) educate pool owners, pool operators, and other members of the public about the standards under the swimming pool and spa safety law and about the prevention of drowning or entrapment of children using swimming pools and spas; and/or
 - c) defray administrative costs associated with such training and education programs.

Eligible applicants can contract with other entities, including civic organizations, to achieve some aspects of their proposal.

Pool construction and installation companies and pool service companies are not eligible under the educational component of the grant program

B. Authority

CPSC derives the authority for the PSGP from the VGB Act, Pub. L. No. 110-140, Title XIV, as amended, 15 U.S.C. §§ 8004-8005.