## Frequently Asked Questions

### How do I apply for the grant?

Eligible applicants (any DE municipality) will be asked to complete the Consent Agreement found on the State Department of Technology and Information (DTI)- State and Local Cybersecurity Grant Program (SLCGP) website https://digiknow.dti.delaware.gov/grants/. Once the Consent Agreement is signed the eligible applicant will be included in the cybersecurity Capability Assessment process and may be eligible to receive services or funds through the SLCGP based on identified security gaps. A project application form and procedure is also available on the website.

### When is the deadline to apply for FY2022 SLCGP funds?

Eligible applicants may participate in the Federal Fiscal Year 22 (FFY22) SLCGP project areas by having their authorized official or representative sign the Consent Agreement and completing the Capability Assessment process. Completed Consent Agreements should be returned to cybergrant@delaware.gov. Assessment Forms will be provided once the Consent Agreement is signed. Funding from FFY23 and beyond grant years will be made available for application after FFY22 grant funds are expended.

## How much money will I receive if awarded?

The SLCGP will provide services or funds to eligible recipients once the cyber Capability Assessment is completed on an as-needed and available- funds basis. Interested eligible applicants will need to complete a project application form and provide documentation to support funding requests (known as subgrants) if they choose not to participate in services offered directly by the State or through existing State vendor contracts.

## What if I want all or only some of the services/resources offered?

Entities can obtain one, some, or all of the offered projects, based on their cybersecurity risk and the available funds for FFY22. There is no obligation to accept all the services and resources; applicants may pick and choose.

# What if I am not 100% confident in some of my answers on the SLCGP Capability Assessment, or am not sure which services I can receive based on my current cybersecurity program?

The SLCGP assessment will act as a baseline of information necessary for the Delaware SLCGP Committee to determine your interest and the capabilities and shortcomings in certain areas of your current cybersecurity program. Please answer the questions to the best of your ability.

### When will I know if I am getting services/funds?

At the conclusion of the Capability Assessment, the Delaware SLCGP Planning Committee will prioritize projects that address areas of greatest risk in an effort to support eligible applicants to meet a statewide baseline cyber posture. In order to receive funds, eligible applicants should complete a project request form located on the grant website <a href="https://digiknow.dti.delaware.gov/grants/">https://digiknow.dti.delaware.gov/grants/</a> and review the process total flow chart.

# What are the additional requirements if I accept services/funds from the SLCGP Grant?

Recipients of federal SLCGP funds are required to adhere to or sign up for the following services, sponsored by the federal Cybersecurity & Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA):

- Sign up for cyber hygiene services, specifically vulnerability scanning and web application scanning. To register for these services, email <u>vulnerability\_info@cisa.dhs.gov</u> with the subject line "Requesting Cyber Hygiene Services – SLCGP".
- Complete the Nationwide Cybersecurity Review (NCSR), administered by the Multi-State Information Sharing and Analysis Center (MS-ISAC), during the first year of the award/subaward period of performance, and annually thereafter. For more information, visit Nationwide Cybersecurity Review (NCSR) (cisecurity.org). The review is a no-cost, anonymous, annual selfassessment designed to measure the gaps and capabilities of government entities.

# Why must I sign up for these additional services, and for the gaps and capabilities review?

Receipt of cybersecurity services and products alone do not create a secure network and information system. Continuous cyber hygiene, employee and staff training, assessment reviews, and risk analyses and mitigation are required.

### Where can I request assistance in applying for funding?

The Delaware League of Local Governments (DLLG) has funded a part-time position/consultant to assist municipal entities in understanding the process and applying for funds. You may reach out to the DLLG SLCGP Consultant at: <a href="mailto:joseph.hughes1@outlook.com">joseph.hughes1@outlook.com</a> or <a href="mailto:cybergrant@delaware.gov">cybergrant@delaware.gov</a> for assistance.