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Baker-Polito Administration Awards \$2.9 Million to Protect Non-Profit and Faith-Based Organizations

Federal funds from the Nonprofit Security Grant Program will provide security enhancements

Boston – Today, the Baker-Polito Administration announced more than \$2.9 million in federal grant awards to strengthen security for non-profit organizations, including faith-based organizations. Each grant supports physical security enhancements at sites determined to be at high risk of a terrorist attack or hate crime related violence.

“Non-profits and houses of worship are cornerstones of community life throughout the Commonwealth,” **said Governor Charlie Baker**. “It is important that Massachusetts residents have the opportunity to gather and commune without fear, and these grants will go a long way to providing safety and security for these important spaces.”

The Office of Grants and Research (OGR) within the Executive Office of Public Safety and Security (EOPSS) manages the grant process and awards funds through the Nonprofit Security Grant Program (NSGP). OGR serves as the State Administering Agency for this funding received from the U.S. Department of Homeland Security’s Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA).

“Our administration is committed to working with community partners to ensure the security of non-profits and faith-based organizations,” **said Lt. Governor Karyn Polito**. “These grants are an affirmation of our commitment to the safety of Massachusetts’ residents and the security of the local houses of worship that serve our communities.”

“The Office of Grants and Research uses these federal and state grant opportunities to identify and respond to the important safety priorities in our local communities,” **said Acting Public Safety and Security Secretary Terrence Reidy**. “Supporting the security needs of our allies in faith-based and non-profit organizations remains an important focus for EOPSS in our sustained work to mitigate threats.”

“The NSGP process is very competitive, and each applicant’s proposal provided an impressive level of detail,” **said OGR Executive Director Kevin Stanton**. “Beyond the resources this program provides for important security measures, the application components require organizations to engage local law enforcement in partnership. Those relationships will prove invaluable as we continue our work to improve public safety across Massachusetts.”

The NSGP award recipients are as follows:

Award Recipients	Award Amount
Agudas Achim Synagogue (a.k.a. Congregation Agudas Achim)	\$41,400
Ahavath Torah Congregation	\$30,738
Boston University Hillel, Inc.	\$136,400

Cape Cod Chabad Lubavitch Inc	\$100,000
Chabad at The Five Colleges Incorporated	\$100,000
Chabad Lubavitch of Chestnut Hill, Inc	\$150,000
Chabad of Central Massachusetts (CCM)	\$100,000
Chabad of Medford	\$150,000
Chabad of Newton	\$100,000
Chai Center Chabad of Canton	\$100,000
Combined Jewish Philanthropies of Greater Boston, Inc.	\$140,736
Congregation Beth Shalom of the Blue Hills	\$10,000
Congregation Kehillath Israel	\$150,000
Congregation Sons of Zion	\$51,530
Eastern States Exposition	\$100,000
First Congregational Church in Winchester	\$76,800
Gann Academy - The New Jewish High School, Inc.	\$99,730
Jewish Community Center of the North Shore, Inc.	\$138,700
Jewish Healthcare Center	\$57,840
Lubavitch Foundation of Lexington (LFL)	\$100,000
Lubavitch of Cambridge, Inc	\$146,000
Northeastern University Hillel Advisory Committee, Inc.	\$144,500
Sinai Temple	\$13,504
Springfield Jewish Community Center	\$89,500
Temple Aliyah	\$57,000
Temple Hillel Bnai Torah	\$98,238
Temple Shalom - William and Charlotte Bloomberg Jewish Community Center	\$70,681
Tobin Bridge Chabad Inc (TBC)	\$145,000
URJ Crane Lake Camp	\$98,000
Wellesley-Weston Chabad Center (WWCC)	\$100,000
Yeshiva Achei Tmimim Lubavitz (YATL)	\$100,000
TOTAL	\$2,996,297

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