## DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY DIVISION OF HOMELAND SECURITY AND EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

## **Colorado Nonprofit Security Grant**

Program 8 CCR 1507-47

## STATEMENT OF BASIS, STATUTORY AUTHORITY, AND PURPOSE

The General Assembly enacted section 24-33.5-1622 (2)(d), C.R.S. via House Bill 22-1077 to create the Colorado Nonprofit Security Grant Program, effective June 7, 2022. The Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management promulgated rules and regulations concerning the administration of this grant program, including application and award criteria, applicable costs, reporting requirements, and time frames associated with the application process and the distribution of grant funds.

The Director of the Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management adopted these amended rules, effective September 30, 2023. In mid-FY 23-24, the state legislature allocated additional money to the grant fund for distribution to existing program applicants in the regular application cycle within the remainder of the fiscal year.

The purpose of this emergency rulemaking is to amend the adopted rules as soon as practicable to provide program applicants sufficient time to apply for and to spend the awarded funds by the end of the State of Colorado fiscal year. Because the statute is necessary for the preservation of public safety, delay in the distribution of additional fund money to existing program applicants would be contrary to the statutory provisions. The absence of implementing these amended rules to carry out the purpose of the statute would be contrary to this declaration. For these reasons, it is imperatively necessary that the proposed rules be adopted.

Hin RXLin

\_\_23 January 2024\_\_ Date of Adoption

Kevin Klein Director, Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management