



Gray & Black Market Marijuana Enforcement Grant Program Fiscal Year 23-24

Local Government/Organization: [Fremont County](#)
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Application Overview

Please read the NOFA carefully.

- The purpose of this grant is to provide financial assistance grants annually to local law enforcement agencies and district attorneys through the local governments for the investigation and prosecution costs associated with unlicensed marijuana cultivation or distribution operations.
- By filling out the online portal application, Colorado County and Municipality applicants are opting into the grant program. Grant amounts will be determined by population figures. The grant program has four (4) funding priorities:
 - 1.) Rural areas;
 - 2.) Large scale operations;
 - 3.) Organized crime operations; or
 - 4.) Operations that divert marijuana outside of Colorado.
- In accordance with statute, CRS 24-32-119, rural areas will receive priority funding. To achieve this, rural area population figures will be weighted heavier. Rural areas are defined in C.R.S. 24-32-119 as:
 - a) a county with a population of less than 200,000 people, according to the most recently available population statistics of the United States Bureau of the Census; or
 - b) a municipality with a population of less than 30,000 people according to the most recent available statistics of the United States Bureau of the Census, that is located 10 miles or more from a municipality with a population of more than 50,000 people.
- DOLA will confirm applicants meet the "rural area" definition at the time of submittal
- In order to receive a grant, local governments must apply annually. Those that do apply must agree to:
 - Provide the name and title (honorific) of your current chief elected official: (e.g. mayor, council president, county commissioner chair) the Honorific field must be filled in. Any other title must be cleared with the Program Manager before the application is submitted. If the field is left blank or has incorrect information the application will be suspended and returned so that necessary corrections can be made, and the application can be resubmitted.
 - Spend funds on statutory priorities,

- Cooperate with district attorneys to cover prosecution expenses as defined in the statute,
 - Report annually on how funds were spent, modeling the Conservation Trust Fund (CTF) program method of spending monitoring, and
 - Acknowledge potential TABOR implications.
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- This is a financial assistance grant for investigations and/or prosecution expenses of unlicensed marijuana cultivation or distribution operations. Some examples may include: Personnel/overtime
 - Contractual services
 - Equipment and supplies
 - Travel
 - Pre-trial incarceration expenses
 - Medical expenses related to injury or exposure during a marijuana investigation
 - Purchase of information (informants) or evidence (contraband)
 - For the full text of the statute see: C.R.S. 24-32-119

Funding for this grant cycle will expire June 30, 2026

A. APPLICANT/CONTACT INFORMATION

1. Local Government/Organization: [Fremont County](#)

2. Principal Representative:

Honorific: [Commissioner Chair](#)

First Name: [Kevin](#)

Middle Name:

Last Name: [Grantham](#)

Suffix:

Role: [Chief Elected](#)

Mailing Address: [615 Macon Ave](#)

Address 2:

City: [Canon City](#)

State: [CO](#)

Zip Code: [81212](#)

Phone #: [719-276-7300](#)

Email Address: kevin.grantham@fremontco.com

3. Responsible Administrator (will receive all mailings) for the Application:

Honorific: [Grants Administrator](#)

First Name: [Rachel](#)

Middle Name:

Last Name: [Miller](#)

Suffix:

Role: [Responsible Administrator](#)

Mailing Address: [615 Macon Ave](#)

Address 2:

City: [Canon City](#)

State: [CO](#)

Zip Code: [81212](#)

Phone #: [719-276-7356](#)

Email Address: rachel.miller@fremontco.com

B. HONORIFIC / TITLE

1. Confirm Name and Title of Chief Elected Official

Confirm the **Honorific** (title) of the Principal Representative (Chief Elected Official, e.g. mayor, county commissioner chair, city council president) as identified in Section A, question 2 above. This would not include an elected sheriff position.

[Kevin Grantham Chief Elected Official](#)

2. Confirm Responsible Administrator Title

Confirm the title (**Honorific**) of the Responsible Administrator within the local government as identified in Section A, question 3 above.

[Grants Administrator](#)

C. APPLICANT AFFIRMATIONS/AGREEMENT WITH TERMS AND CONDITIONS

For each statement below, please confirm your agreement with the terms and conditions associated with the grant funds, should they be awarded to your local government.

1. Affirmation of Associated Costs

Grant funds can ONLY be used for costs associated with the investigation and prosecution (including large-scale operations, organized crime, and operations that divert marijuana outside of Colorado) of unlicensed marijuana cultivation or distribution operations conducted in violation of state law. Recipient counties and municipalities who spend any grant funds outside of this statutory intent understand that any such funds must be returned to the Department of Local Affairs and agree to do so within 30 days of identification of improper fund use.

[Confirm/Agree to Comply](#)

2. Affirmation of Quarterly Reports

Recipient counties and municipalities must provide DOLA with quarterly itemized reports on how grant funds were spent in that quarter. The reporting form is available for download on the program website.

- If a report is not received for any quarter, funds may be required to be returned to the Department of Local Affairs

[Confirm/Agree to Comply](#)

3. Affirmation of Monitoring

Recipient counties and municipalities will be randomly selected for detailed monitoring of grant fund expenditures. Supporting documentation for grant fund expenditures must be provided promptly to DOLA, if requested, to conduct necessary monitoring.

[Confirm/Agree to Comply](#)

4. Affirmation of Funds Made Available to District Attorneys

Recipient counties agree to cooperate with and make grant funds available to District Attorneys for costs associated with prosecution of unlicensed marijuana cultivation or distribution operations conducted in violation of state law.

***Select one only.**

[Counties - Confirm/Agree to Comply](#)|[Municipalities - N/A \(DAs seek funding through counties only\)](#)

5. Affirmation of Return of Grant Funds

Recipient counties and municipalities acknowledge that, if NO grant funds are spent in any given state fiscal year, they may NOT receive grant funds in the following year. Due to appropriation limitations in statute,

ANY grant funds not spent in a 2-year period must be returned to the Department of Local Affairs.

[Confirm/Agree to Comply](#)

D. BOARD APPROVAL/TABOR

1. Official Board Action

Assurance of community priority. Applications cannot be submitted unless approved by the city/town/county Board, Council or Trustees. Provide the date official action was taken authorizing this application.

[11/14/2023](#)

2. TABOR Compliance

The grant funds for the Gray & Black Market Marijuana Enforcement Grant program are state funds.

Does the applicant have voter authorization to receive and expend state grant funds without regard to TABOR revenue limitations?

[Yes](#)

If yes

If yes, explain:

[The citizens of Fremont County voted to de-Bruce in 2014.](#)

If no

If no, would receipt of these grant funds, if awarded, result in the local government exceeding revenue limitations, prompting a refund?

[No](#)

Affirm local government Attorney has confirmed this TABOR statement.

[Yes](#)

E. STATE ACCEPTANCE OF APPLICATION

The State, upon Acceptance of an Application submitted through the DOLA online grants portal system, agrees to provide financial assistance from the Gray & Black Market Marijuana Enforcement Grant program to the Applicant. The notification of award of financial assistance (Grant Award) indicates that Applicant has met all of the requirements to qualify for a portion of the Gray & Black Marijuana Enforcement Grant monies with such amount to be determined exclusively by the State and has affirmed and confirmed agreement with the stated terms and conditions associated with use of those grant funds.

Confirmation

Please confirm that you have read the above statement.

[I Have Read the Above Statement](#)

Application Footnotes

- Please ensure all information in the application is complete, correct, and current.