



FY2010 Television Local Service Grant General Provisions and Eligibility Criteria

SECTION 1. ELIGIBILITY

Only stations meeting at least the minimum eligibility criteria for a FY2010 Television Local Service Grant (itemized in Certification of Eligibility for CSGs), and whose FY2008 annual non-Federal financial support (NFFS) is less than \$2 million, are eligible for the Television Local Service Grant (TV-LSG) program.

Note: Per the CPB Board Resolution dated August 6, 2007, CPB will also use three-year averaging in computing NFFS to determine eligibility for grantees that have NFFS above \$2 million in FY2008 and have NFFS below \$2 million in either FY2007 or FY2006. If the three-year average is below \$2 million, then the grantee is eligible for the Television Local Service Grant.

SECTION 2. GRANT AMOUNT

The grant amount for a FY2010 TV-LSG is calculated as a share of a total pool of \$3 million. Each eligible grantee's share is inversely proportional to its share of the aggregate NFFS of all eligible grantees, except grantees with NFFS below \$800,000.

For purposes of LSG grant calculation, CPB will calculate grants for stations with NFFS below \$800,000 as if their NFFS were \$800,000 in order to ensure that they do not receive a disproportionately large share of the funds. To minimize the impact of this change, this policy will be phased in so that these grantees are not unduly disadvantaged in a single year.

Note: This change does not apply to television stations that provide the sole broadcast service, noncommercial or commercial, to their communities.

SECTION 3. USE OF GRANTS - RESTRICTIONS

- A. No CPB funds shall be used for purposes of conducting any reception, or providing any other entertainment, for any officer or employee of the federal government or any state or local government.
- B. No CPB funds shall be used to pay the salary or expenses of any grant or contract recipient, or agent acting for such recipient, related to any activity designed to influence legislation or appropriation before Congress or any state legislature.
- C. TV-LSG funds must be used by the recipient only in accordance with the terms of these General Provisions, the TV-LSG Grant Agreement, and all related documents and forms.
- D. Recipients of the TV-LSG must agree to use the funds in support of local services such as educational outreach activities or educational programs (as defined in the FY 2010 Television Community Service Grant General Provisions and Eligibility Criteria); local content and production; operational efficiencies; implementation of best development practices; financial planning; or professional development.
- E. TV-LSG funds shall not be used by the recipient for personnel services, programming, or technical facilities in excess of standard amounts usually paid, charged or otherwise applied by the recipient for the same services and facilities under similar circumstances.
- F. The station's licensee may not impound or otherwise withhold or inappropriately restrict the use of TV-LSG funds by the stations. TV-LSG funds may not be used to supplant funds or other support already being provided to the stations by the licensee, nor to offset budgeting cutbacks by the licensee. For purposes of these General Provisions, "supplant" means "to reduce the amount of funds or other support already being provided by the licensee in proportion to, or because of, funding through the TV-LSG."
- G. TV-LSG funds may not be used to offset an institutional licensee's overhead or expenses.
- H. TV-LSG funds or proceeds from the liquidation of assets acquired with the TV-LSG funds must be used solely for the benefit of the public broadcast stations.
- I. Full-time station personnel whose salaries are paid by TV-LSG funds must exercise full-time responsibilities in broadcast station operations. Such personnel shall not be required by the licensee to perform duties unrelated to the operation of the broadcast stations.
- J. Each station will be responsible for identifying and tracking its expenditures of the LSG funds. At the conclusion of each grant reporting period, the station must certify on the next year's TV-LSG Grant Agreement that the funds were expended in accordance with TV-LSG Criteria.
- K. Grantee agrees that if, at any time during the grant period covered by this agreement, it should cease to provide the public broadcasting services for which this grant is made, it shall, upon request of the Corporation for Public Broadcasting, return any or all of the grant funds to the Corporation for Public Broadcasting.

SECTION 4. RECORD KEEPING AND AUDIT REQUIREMENTS

All recipients of TV-LSG funds must satisfy the requirements of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, 47 U.S.C. 396(l)(3)(B, C, and D). This federal law mandates record-keeping and auditing and requires that CPB or its representatives have access to eligibility and financial records. Consult the web site <http://www.cpb.org/stations/certification/cert2.html> for more information.

Furthermore, discrete accounting and proper documentation shall be maintained to support all FY 2010 TV-LSG revenues and expenditures. All TV-LSG expenditures must meet the test of allowability as stated throughout this document and as provided by all other CSG related documents and policies. TV-LSG funds that cannot be accounted for because of recipient's failure to comply with this requirement may be subject to repayment to CPB. The recipient shall maintain such other records that CPB may be required to facilitate an effective audit. TV-LSG records must be retained for no less than three years after the end of the expenditure period.

SECTION 5. ALL OTHER PROVISIONS

- A.** Each TV-LSG will be disbursed to recipients in one payment, which will be coincident with their first CSG payment.
- B.** All other provisions in the FY2010 Television Community Service Grant General Provisions and Eligibility Criteria apply to recipients of the FY2010 TV-LSG.