## Action Alert: Urge your Rep. to Sign Letter to Increase Security Grant Funding

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Dear Agudah Activist:

Our community is facing an extraordinary opportunity to take a giant step forward in helping to save lives.

Congress is currently considering FY2022 appropriations legislation that could significantly boost the ongoing effort to improve security for our community institutions – shuls, yeshivas, religious facilities, charitable and social service organizations – within the Nonprofit Security Grant Program (NSGP). Under NSGP, nonprofits are provided up to \$100,000 worth of assistance for various types of equipment and for personnel to better secure entities at high risk of terrorist attack. Having experienced increasing threats and incidents of anti-Semitic violence we all know that the Jewish community has a strong stake in this program and must vigorously support current efforts in the House to strengthen it.

## Support the Current House Effort.

We are pleased to reported that Representative Bill Pascrell (D-NJ) and Representative John Katko (R-NY) are circulating a bipartisan "Dear Colleague" letter to members that would urge the FY2022 appropriation for NSGP to \$360 million. The more who sign on to the letter, the stronger the House shows its commitment to this goal and the better the likelihood it will pass. We must support the Pascrell-Katko letter and urge as many of our Representative nationwide to sign on.

<u>Urge your Representative to sign on to the Pascrell-Katko "Dear Colleague" letter and support NSGP Funding at \$360 million.</u>

We know that our grassroots advocacy can make a difference. Agudath Israel and other organizations fought hard to create and maintain the NSGP program. National and local involvement, working together, brought the program to where it is today, and we can move it further ahead.

Thank you for your help and support!

Rabbi Abba Cohen