

Overview

Security Enhancement Incentive Program

The Security Enhancement Incentive Program provides funding to assist property owners with the installation of security enhancement systems, such as security camera systems or access control systems, on their property where it is practical and appropriate. The program is intended to help owners of multi-family or rental housing units identified in densely populated areas that are rented and not owned and are experiencing relatively high incidences of crime. Fences, gates, and other barriers would be part of the access control systems to restrict access to only that of residents and their guests. The program also assists with the registration of security camera systems with the Statesboro Police Department (SPD). This incentive program is intended to help deter crime and assist law enforcement with investigations.

Eligibility Criteria

1. The applicant must be the owner of a multi-family or a rental housing unit within the City limits of Statesboro.
2. The applicant must obtain and submit three quotes from a business with a valid business license that is engaged in the installation of security camera systems or access control systems. Incentive approvals will not exceed the lowest quote. Upon approval of the application, the property owner will be notified by Statesboro Police Department staff and instructed to contact the vendor with the lowest quote. The vendor will be required to obtain, if any, the necessary permits prior to the property owner scheduling the work.
3. The City has no obligation or responsibility for the performance of the vendor or for any damages caused to the owner's property.
4. Upon completion, the vendor will notify SPD that the security camera system or access control system has been installed. The vendor will also verify that the system is operational. A picture of the installation must be included in the verification. After verification, the vendor will send the City an invoice for payment. Payment will not exceed more than 50% of the total cost and no more than \$20,000. The remaining sum is due from the property owner.
5. The property owner will be responsible for any costs associated with regular monitoring and maintenance of the security camera system or the access control system.
6. The system must be kept in operation for at least three years.

Private Security Camera System Criteria

Those seeking an application for an incentive for the installation of security camera system must attest that the security camera system purchased:

- Is located only on the owner's property and on the exterior of the property owner's building or private property and are oriented toward a public right-of-way or space(s), so as not to infringe on anyone's private property;
- Is waterproof and outdoor-rated;
- Operates with high-definition video;
- Includes night vision capability;
- Store footage for a minimum of 7 days either locally or provide cloud-based storage;
- The system must be registered with the Statesboro Police Department's (SPD) Fusus Registry or another available Statesboro Police Department (SPD) video sharing program.

- SPD will only access the security camera system for legitimate criminal justice purposes. The video itself belongs to and is the property of the property owner, except that SPD may clip sections of the video to be used as evidence in specific criminal investigations.

Access Control Systems Criteria

Those seeking an application for grant incentive for the installation of access control systems will work with the Statesboro Police Department to determine if the installation of this system is applicable and feasible.

Submission Requirements

Property owners of multi-family or rental housing units can apply for an incentive for the installation of a security camera system or an access control system for property within the City limits of Statesboro. The amount of the grant incentive will not exceed more than 50% of the total cost and no more than \$20,000. Application is limited to only one security enhancement system per property. Applications must be submitted to the Statesboro Police Department. Applications can be found on the Statesboro Police Department website at <http://statesboropd.com/>. Manual applications can be accepted at 25 West Grady Street, Statesboro, Georgia 30458.

Award Notifications

Within 14 business days after the determination, the Statesboro Police Department will inform all applicants of the final grant decision. Payments will be issued to the vendor that provided the lowest price within 45 business days of the decision. No payments will be received until the equipment has been installed and tested to ensure that it is functioning properly. The video sharing service run by the Statesboro Police Department requires that security camera equipment be registered. Systems built before the Statesboro City Council approval of this program won't be eligible for compensation. The program is funded based on the availability of funds.