

Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO)

American Cybersecurity Enhancement Program for Thai Entrepreneurs 2025

Opportunity number: OFOP0001959

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ)

1. What is the purpose of this funding opportunity?

The American Cybersecurity Enhancement Program (ACEP) aims to improve cybersecurity systems for Thai entrepreneurs by leveraging American technology, innovation, and standards. The program will help Thai businesses mitigate risks from cyberattacks, stolen data, and financial losses, while also fostering U.S.-Thailand partnerships.

2. Who is eligible to apply?

Eligible applicants include:

- Not-for-profit organizations, including think-tanks and civil society/non-governmental organizations
- Public and private not-for-profit educational institutions
- Public International Organizations and Governmental institutions Individuals are not eligible to apply.

3. What are the funding amounts and project duration?

The funding amounts range from \$35,000 to \$60,000, with the project performance period lasting up to 12 months. Projects should be completed by June 2026.

4. What documents are required for the application?

Applicants must submit the following documents:

- Mandatory application forms (SF-424, SF-424A, SF-424B)
- Summary Page
- Proposal (10 pages maximum)
- Budget Justification Narrative
- Attachments (CVs of key personnel, letters of support, NICRA if applicable).

5. How should the proposal be formatted?

Proposals must be:

- In English
- Single-spaced, 12-point Calibri font, with 1-inch margins
- Formatted to fit 8 ½ x 11 paper
- Numbered on all pages.

6. Does the U.S. Embassy Bangkok provide a specific proposal template?

The U.S. Embassy Bangkok does not provide a specific proposal template. However, the proposal should contain sufficient details for the committee to understand the applicant's program concept and idea. This includes a summary, introduction to the applicant's organization, problem statement, goals and objectives, proposed activities, methods and design, timeline, key personnel, partners, and a monitoring and evaluation plan.

7. What are the submission deadlines and methods?

Applications must be submitted by Friday, July 4, 2025, 4:00 P.M. Bangkok Time (GMT+7). Submissions can be made via email to BangkokPD@state.gov or electronically through MyGrants.

8. What are the evaluation criteria for the proposals?

Proposals will be evaluated based on:

- Relevance to U.S. Government Priorities and American Nexus (30 points)
- Quality and Feasibility of the Program Idea (20 points)
- Program Planning/Ability to Achieve Objectives (15 points)
- Monitoring and Evaluation Plan (15 points)
- Budget and Sustainability (10 points)
- Organizational Capacity and Record on Previous Grants (10 points).

9. Can funds be used for alcoholic beverages?

No, award funds cannot be used for alcoholic beverages.

10. Who can I contact for more information?

For any questions about the grant application process, please contact BangkokPD@state.gov.