

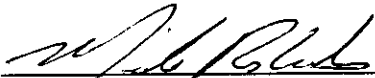
**ORDER: APPROVE PERMISSION FOR FIRE DEPARTMENT TO APPLY FOR THE  
AFG FIRE PREVENTION AND SAFETY GRANT, NOT TO EXCEED \$10,000.00 WITH  
A 5% LOCAL MATCH**

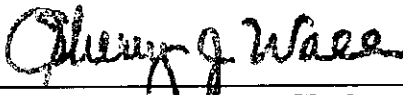
Motion was made by Larry Gillespie, duly seconded by Brent Larson, to approve permission for Fire Department to apply for the AFG Fire Prevention and Safety grant, not to exceed \$10,000.00 with a 5% local match.

The vote on the motion was as follows:

Supervisor Brent Larson, voted yes  
Supervisor Larry Gillespie, voted yes  
Supervisor David Rikard, voted yes  
Supervisor Chad McLarty, voted yes  
Supervisor Mike Roberts, voted yes

After the vote, President Roberts, declared the motion carried, this the 18<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2020.

  
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**Mike Roberts, President  
Board of Supervisors**

  
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**Sherry Wall, Chancery Clerk**

**The U.S. Department of Homeland Security  
Notice of Funding Opportunity  
FY 2019 Fire Prevention and Safety**

**NOTE: If you are going to apply for this funding opportunity and have not obtained a Data Universal Numbering System (DUNS) number and/or are not currently registered in the System for Award Management (SAM), please take immediate action to obtain a DUNS Number, if applicable, and then to register immediately in SAM. It may take four weeks or more after you submit your SAM registration before your registration is active in SAM, then an additional 24 hours for Grants.gov to recognize your information. Information on obtaining a DUNS number and registering in SAM is available from Grants.gov at: <http://www.grants.gov/web/grants/register.html>. Detailed information regarding DUNS and SAM is also provided in Section D of this NOFO, subsection, Content and Form of Application Submission.**

**A. Program Description**

**Issued By**

Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), Grant Programs Directorate (GPD)

**Assistance Listings Number (formerly Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) Number)**

97.044

**Assistance Listings Title (formerly CFDA Title)**

Assistance to Firefighters Grant (AFG)

**Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) Title**

Fiscal Year (FY) 2019 Fire Prevention and Safety (FP&S)

**NOFO Number**

DHS-19-GPD-044-000-98

**Authorizing Authority for Program**

Section 33 of the *Federal Fire Prevention and Control Act of 1974* (Pub. L. No. 93-498, as amended) (15 U.S.C. § 2229)

**Appropriation Authority for Program**

*Department of Homeland Security Appropriations Act, 2019* (Pub. L. No. 116-6)

**Program Type**

New

## **Program Overview, Objectives, and Priorities**

### *Overview*

The Fiscal Year (FY) 2019 Fire Prevention and Safety (FP&S) grant program is one of three grant programs that constitute the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) Federal Emergency Management Agency's (FEMA) focus on enhancing the safety of the public and firefighters with respect to fire and fire-related hazards. The FP&S grant program accomplishes this by assisting fire prevention programs and supporting firefighter health and safety research and development. The FP&S Program represents one part of a comprehensive set of measures authorized by Congress and implemented by DHS. Among the five basic homeland security missions noted in the 2018 DHS Quadrennial Homeland Security Review, the FP&S Program supports the goal to Strengthen National Preparedness and Resilience.

The 2018-2022 FEMA Strategic Plan creates a shared vision for the field of emergency management and sets an ambitious, yet achievable, path forward to unify and further professionalize emergency management across the country. The FP&S Program supports FEMA Strategic Goal #2: Ready the Nation for Catastrophic Disasters. We invite all of our stakeholders and partners to also adopt these priorities and join us in building a stronger agency and a more prepared and resilient nation.

According to the latest report to Congress by the U.S. Fire Administration, analysis of various fire trends during the past decades reveals remarkable progress in many aspects of the fire-related threats in the U.S. However, there remain several areas where additional efforts can reduce fire-related impacts. Homes built in or near WUI areas are increasing life and property risks as well as firefighting costs. During the past few years, WUI fires have destroyed entire communities; commercial, industrial and residential structures; and essential critical infrastructure in California, Colorado, Idaho, Montana, Oregon, Utah, Washington, and other states and tribal lands that experience an expanding WUI risk. This trend could be mitigated by state, local, tribal, and territorial jurisdictions adopting the most current model building codes and requiring homeowner management of the immediate, physical environment and surrounding vegetation. These practices are known as Firewise mitigation concepts. Furthermore, the trend could be mitigated by advocating for public policy that clearly communicates the inherent risk of building in WUI areas, and the public cost of financing emergency response and fire suppression.

Residential fires remain the cause of approximately 80 percent of fire deaths each year. While this number of residential fire deaths has reduced substantially since the creation of the USFA in 1974, the majority of these losses stem from the lack of the oldest and most reliable defensive technology: automatic fire sprinklers. Automatic fire sprinklers are commonplace in businesses and institutions but have not reached widespread use in all residential occupancies.

**Adoption of the most current model codes by local jurisdictions would lead to expanded use and more lives saved.** Therefore, the 2019 FP&S Program will reward local jurisdictions that are proactively taking steps to adopt and enforce the most current codes by giving additional consideration (i.e., these jurisdictions will score higher) during the competitive review process. FEMA intends to build upon this structure in future NOFO's.

In awarding these grants, the Administrator of FEMA is required to consider the following:

- The findings and recommendations of the Technical Evaluation Panel (TEP);
- The degree to which an award will reduce deaths, injuries and property damage by reducing the risks associated with fire-related and other hazards; and
- The extent of an applicant's need for an FP&S Grant and the need to protect the United States as a whole.

FP&S Grants are offered to support projects in two activities:

- **Fire Prevention and Safety Activity (FP&S):** The FP&S Activity is designed to reach high-risk target groups and mitigate the incidence of death, injuries and property damage caused by fire and fire-related hazards. Accordingly, the five project categories eligible for funding under this activity are:
  1. Community Risk Reduction;
  2. Wildfire Risk Reduction;
  3. Code Enforcement/Awareness;
  4. Fire & Arson Investigation; and
  5. National/State/Regional Programs and Studies.
- **Firefighter Safety Research and Development (R&D) Activity:** The R&D Activity is aimed at improving firefighter safety, health, or wellness through research and development that reduces firefighter fatalities and injuries. The six project categories eligible for funding under this activity are:
  1. Clinical Studies;
  2. Technology and Product Development;
  3. Database System Development;
  4. Dissemination and Implementation Research;
  5. Preliminary Studies; and
  6. Early Career Investigator.

### **Objectives**

The objectives of the FY 2019 FP&S Grant Program are for grantees to carry out fire prevention education and training, fire code enforcement, fire/arson investigation, firefighter safety and health programming, prevention efforts, and research and development.

## ***Program Priorities***

For information on program priorities and objectives for the FY 2019 FP&S Grant Program, refer to [Appendix B – Programmatic Information and Priorities](#).

## **Performance Metrics**

Performance metrics for this program:

- **FP&S Activity**
  - Community Risk Reduction:
    1. Decrease in fire incidents per 1,000 residents in target population
    2. Decrease in fire deaths per 1,000 residents in target population
    3. Percent of whole community population trained
    4. Percent of target population trained
    5. Local number of lives saved
  - Code Enforcement/Awareness:
    1. Decrease in percentage of total fire losses occurring in inspectable occupancies
    2. Decrease in structural fires per 1,000 residents of inspectable occupancies
    3. Decrease in fire deaths per 1,000 residents of inspectable occupancies
    4. Decrease in inspectable property structure fires with at least \$25,000 in loss
  - Fire and Arson Investigation:
    1. Increase in percentage of fires where cause is determined
    2. Increase in arson arrest and conviction rates
  - National/State/Regional Programs and Studies:
    1. Number of firefighters trained
  
- **R&D Activity (All Categories)**
  1. Number of Training Academies adopting training materials developed through FP&S Research (breakout by Career and Volunteer)
  2. Number of firefighters trained with materials developed through FP&S Research (breakout by Career and Volunteer)
  3. Industry standards influenced, changed, or added through FP&S Research

Data for these metrics will be collected throughout the life of the grant during reporting and closeout.

**B. Federal Award Information**

**Award Amounts, Important Dates, and Extensions**

**Available Funding for the NOFO:** \$35,000,000.00<sup>1</sup>

**Projected Number of Awards:** 150

**Period of Performance:** 12 – 36 months. Extensions are permitted. For additional information on period of performance extensions, refer to Section H: Additional Information.

- **FP&S Activity:** The period of performance for projects funded under the FP&S Activity is generally 12 months. Eligible applicants who propose complex projects, such as those under the National/Regional/State Programs and Studies project category, may apply for up to a 24-month period of performance from the date of award.
- **R&D Activity:** The period of performance for projects proposed under the R&D Activity is 12, 24, or 36 months from the date of award.

**Projected Period of Performance Start Date(s):** 07/01/2020

**Projected Period of Performance End Date(s):** 06/30/2021-06/30/2023

**Funding Instrument:** Grant

**C. Eligibility Information**

**Eligible Applicants**

The following entities are eligible to apply directly to FEMA under this NOFO:

1. **Fire Prevention and Safety Activity (FP&S)**  
Fire departments and national, regional, state, local, tribal and non-profit organizations that are recognized for their experience and expertise in fire prevention and safety programs and activities. Both private and public non-profit organizations are eligible to apply for funding in this activity. For-profit organizations, federal agencies and individuals are not eligible to receive an FP&S Grant Award under the FP&S Activity.

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<sup>1</sup> Note that this figure differs from the total amount appropriated under the *Department of Homeland Security Appropriations Act, 2019*, Pub. L. No. 116-6. \$350,000,000 is the total amount appropriated by Pub. L. No. 116-6 to meet the statutory requirements of § 33 of the *Federal Fire Prevention and Control Act of 1974*, as amended (codified at 15 U.S.C. § 2229). A portion of these “available grant funds” will be allocated to the Fire Prevention & Safety (FP&S) program, which will have a separate NOFO and application period. \$35,000,000 will be allocated to FP&S for FY 2019.