FY 2020 ASSISTANCE TO FIREFIGHTERS GRANT-SUPPLEMENTAL APPLICATION OPEN

This serves as notification that the application period for the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, Federal Emergency Management Agency's Fiscal Year (FY) 2020 Assistance to Firefighters Grant - COVID-19 Supplemental (AFG-S) application period will open on Tuesday, April 28, 2020, at 8:00 AM (Eastern Time). The application period for AFG-S closes on Friday, May 15, 2020 at 5:00 PM (Eastern Time).

The Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act includes \$100 million in supplemental funding for AFG. This legislation provides grant funds for personal protective equipment (PPE) and supplies to assist first-responder organizations to prevent, prepare for, and respond to the coronavirus (COVID-19).

The purpose of AFG-S is to allow fire service organizations to enhance their ability to protect the health and safety of the public, as well as that of first-responder personnel through the purchase of PPE and essential supplies critical to combatting the spread of the coronavirus. The program provides direct financial assistance to eligible fire departments, nonaffiliated emergency medical service organizations, and State Fire Training Academies (SFTAs). The funds provide critically needed resources as fire departments struggle with virus exposure and illness, staffing shortages, and drained local, county, and city budgets.

Applicant tools, including the Notice of Funding Opportunity, for this program are available at www.grants.gov and at www.fema.gov/welcome-assistance-firefighters-grant-program.

Contact Information

Fire departments or other applicants requiring assistance, please visit www.fema.gov/grants or contact the AFG Help Desk at firegrants@fema.dhs.gov or 1-866-274-0960.

If you have any questions, please contact the FEMA Office of External Affairs, Congressional and Intergovernmental Affairs Division at (202) 646-4500 or at FEMA-Congressional-Affairs@fema.dhs.gov.

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