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Office of the Mayor
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Honorable President

and Members of the City Council,

Transmitted herewith is an Ordinance approving the acceptance of and authorizing payment over more than one fiscal year from the FY2013 Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program, award #EMW-2013-FO-06214 from the U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA). The total grant award is in the amount of \$555,090 to be paid from Fund 12168, Organization 130734. A match of \$61,676 will be provided by the Omaha Fire Department (OFD) from Fund 13245, Organization 114512 (2014-2019 Capital Improvement Program). The total program amount is \$616,766. The grant period of performance is August 27, 2014 to August 26, 2015.

The FY2013 Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program will provide funding to train all sworn OFD personnel to Firefighter II (FF II) level in a two-year period, update training equipment at the Omaha Public Safety Training Center, and replace outdated rescue tools used in vehicle extrication operations.

Your favorable consideration is respectfully requested.

Sincerely,

Approved as to Funding:


Jean Stothert, Mayor
City of Omaha
Date 10/8/14


Stephen Curtiss
Finance Director
Date 10/7/14
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Approved:


Human Rights and Relations
Date 10/9/14

ORDINANCE NO. _____

AN ORDINANCE to approve the acceptance of and authorize the disbursement from the FY2013 Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program, award #EMW-2013-FO-06214, in the amount of five hundred fifty five thousand and ninety dollars (\$555,090) to be paid from Fund 12168, Organization 130734; a match of sixty one thousand six hundred seventy six dollars (\$61,676) provided by the Omaha Fire Department (OFD) from Fund 13245, Organization 114512, Account 47122 (2014-2019 Capital Improvement Program), and total program budget in the amount of six hundred and sixteen thousand seven hundred sixty six dollars (\$616,766); during the project period of August 27, 2014 to August 26, 2015, to provide funding to train all sworn OFD personnel to Firefighter II (FF II) level in a two-year period, update training equipment at the Omaha Public Safety Training Center, and replace outdated rescue tools used in vehicle extrication operations; to authorize payment from such grant funding and involving appropriations of more than one year in conformity with Section 5.17 of the Home Rule Charter; and, providing for the effective date hereof.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF OMAHA:

Section 1. That, as recommended by the Mayor, the acceptance of and disbursement from the FY2013 Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program, award #EMW-2013-FP-01003, from the U.S Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), in the amount of amount of five hundred fifty five thousand and ninety dollars (\$555,090) to be paid from Fund 12368, Organization 130734; a match of sixty one thousand six hundred seventy six dollars (\$61,676) provided by OFD from Fund 13245, Organization 114512, Account 47122 (2014-2019 Capital Improvement Program), and total program budget in the amount of six hundred and sixteen thousand seven hundred sixty six dollars (\$616,766), during the project period of August 27, 2014 to August 26, 2015, to provide funding to train all sworn OFD personnel to Firefighter II (FF II) level in a two-year period, update training equipment at

the Omaha Public Safety Training Center, and replace outdated rescue tools used in vehicle extrication operations, is hereby approved. A copy of such grant award and grant application is attached and by this reference made a part hereof.

Section 2. That the grant period extends from August 27, 2014 to August 26, 2015, commencing upon approval of this ordinance. In conformity with Section 5.17 of the Home Rule Charter, expenditures as outlined in the attached grant application, from such grant funds and involving appropriations of more than one fiscal year, are hereby authorized and the Finance Director is authorized to make payment in accordance therewith.

Section 3. That, this grant award contains a match of sixty one thousand six hundred seventy six dollars (\$61,676), provided by the Omaha Fire Department (OFD) from Fund 13245, Organization 114512, Account 47122 (2014-2019 Capital Improvement Program)

Section 4. That, this ordinance being administrative, and not legislative, in character shall be in full force and take effect immediately upon passage.

INTRODUCED BY COUNCILMEMBER

APPROVED BY:

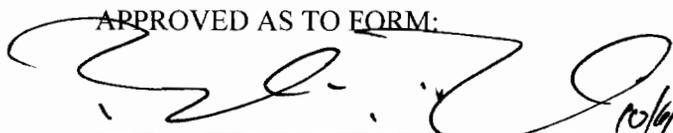
MAYOR OF THE CITY OF OMAHA DATE

PASSED _____

ATTEST:

CITY CLERK OF THE CITY OF OMAHA DATE

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



ASSISTANT CITY ATTORNEY DATE 10/6/14

U.S. Department of Homeland Security
Washington, D.C. 20472



FEMA

Mrs. Melanie Bates
Omaha Fire Department
1819 Farnam Street
Omaha, Nebraska 68183-0300

Re: Grant No.EMW-2013-FO-06214

Dear Mrs. Bates:

On behalf of the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), I am pleased to inform you that your grant application submitted under the FY 2013 Assistance to Firefighters Grant has been approved. FEMA's Grant Programs Directorate (GPD), in consultation with the U.S. Fire Administration (USFA), carries out the Federal responsibilities of administering your grant. The approved project costs total to \$616,766.00. The Federal share is 90 percent or \$555,090.00 of the approved amount and your share of the costs is 10 percent or \$61,676.00.

Before you request and receive any of the Federal Grant funds awarded to you, you must establish acceptance of the Grant and Grant Agreement Articles through the Assistance to Firefighters Grant Programs' (AFG) e-grant system. Please make sure you read and understand the articles as they outline the terms and conditions of your grant award. By accepting the grant, you agree not to deviate from the approved scope of work without prior written approval, via amendment request, from FEMA. Maintain a copy of these documents for your official file.

If your SF 1199A has been reviewed and approved, you will be able to request payments online. Remember, you should request funds when you have an immediate cash need.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding the process to request your grant funds, please call 1-866-274-0960.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "B. Kamoie".

Brian E. Kamoie
Assistant Administrator
Grant Programs Directorate

**SUMMARY OF ASSISTANCE ACTION
ASSISTANCE TO FIREFIGHTERS GRANT PROGRAM
Application**

INSTRUMENT: GRANT
AGREEMENT NUMBER: EMW-2013-FO-06214
GRANTEE: Omaha Fire Department
AMOUNT: \$616,766.00, Operations and Safety

Project Description

The purpose of the Assistance to Firefighters Program is to protect the health and safety of the public and firefighting personnel against fire and fire-related hazards.

After careful consideration, FEMA has determined that the recipient's project submitted as part of the recipient's application, and detailed in the project narrative as well as the request details section of the application - including budget information - was consistent with the Assistance to Firefighters Grant program's purpose and worthy of award. The recipient shall perform the work described in the approved grant application as itemized in the request details section of the application and further described in the grant application narrative. These sections of the application are made a part of these grant agreement articles by reference. The recipient may not change or make any material deviations from the approved scope of work outlined in the above referenced sections of the application without prior written approval, via amendment request, from FEMA.

Grantee Concurrence

By providing the Primary Contact's electronic signature and indicating acceptance of the award, the recipient accepts and agrees to abide by the terms and conditions of the grant as set forth in this document. Recipients agree that they will use the funds provided through the Fiscal Year 2013 Assistance to Firefighters grant in accordance with these Articles of Agreement and the program guidelines provided in the Fiscal Year 2013 Assistance to Firefighters program guidance. All documents submitted as part of the original grant application are made a part of this agreement by reference.

Period of Performance

27-AUG-14 to 26-AUG-15

Amount Awarded

The amount of the award is detailed in the attached Obligating Document for Award. The following are the budgeted estimates for object classes for this grant (including Federal share plus recipient match):

Personnel:	\$0.00
Fringe Benefits	\$0.00
Travel	\$0.00
Equipment	\$506,800.00
Supplies	\$8,291.00
Contractual	\$77,675.00
Construction	\$0.00
Other	\$0.00
Indirect Charges	\$24,000.00
Total	\$616,766.00

NEGOTIATION COMMENTS IF APPLICABLE (max 4000 characters)

Any questions pertaining to your award package, please contact your GPD Grants Management Specialist:
Francisco.Bernal1@dhs.gov
Francisco.Bernal1@dhs.gov

System for Award Management (SAM)

Prior to requesting federal funds, all recipients are required to register their entity information in the System for Award Management (SAM.gov). As the recipient, you must register and maintain current information in SAM.gov until you submit the final financial report required under this award or receive the final payment, whichever is later. This requires that the recipient review and update the information at least annually after the initial registration, and more frequently for changes in your information. There is no charge to register in SAM.gov. Your registration must be completed on-line at <https://www.sam.gov/portal/public/SAM/>. It is your entity's responsibility to have a valid DUNS number at the time of registration.

FEMA Officials

Program Officer: The Program Specialist is responsible for the technical monitoring of the stages of work and technical performance of the activities described in the approved grant application. If you have any programmatic questions regarding your grant, please call the AFG Help Desk at 866-274-0960 to be directed to a program specialist.

Grants Assistance Officer: The Assistance Officer is the Federal official responsible for negotiating, administering, and executing all grant business matters. The Officer conducts the final business review of all grant awards and permits the obligation of federal funds. If you have any questions regarding your grant please call ASK-GMD at 866-927-5646 to be directed to a Grants Management Specialist.

Grants Operations POC: The Grants Management Specialist shall be contacted to address all financial and administrative grant business matters for this grant award. If you have any questions regarding your grant please call ASK-GMD at 866-927-5646 to be directed to a specialist.

ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS (IF APPLICABLE) (max 4000 characters)

Any questions pertaining to your award package, please contact your GPD Grants Management Specialist:
Francisco.Bernal1@dhs.gov
Francisco.Bernal1@dhs.gov

Agreement Articles



FEMA

U.S. Department of Homeland Security
Washington, D.C. 20472

AGREEMENT ARTICLES

ASSISTANCE TO FIREFIGHTERS GRANT PROGRAM - Operations and Safety

GRANTEE: Omaha Fire Department

PROGRAM: Operations and Safety

AGREEMENT NUMBER: EMW-2013-FO-06214

AMENDMENT NUMBER:

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Article I - Administrative Requirements

The administrative requirements that apply to most DHS award recipients through a grant or cooperative agreement arise from two sources: - Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Circular A-102, Uniform Administrative Requirements for Grants and Cooperative Agreements to State and Local Governments (also known as the "A-102 Common Rule"), found under FEMA regulations at Title 44, Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 13, "Uniform Administrative Requirements for Grants and Cooperative Agreements to State and Local Governments." - OMB Circular A-110, Uniform Administrative Requirements for Grants and Agreements with Institutions of Higher Education, Hospitals, and Other Non-Profit Organizations, relocated to 2 CFR Part 215. The requirements for allowable costs/cost principles are contained in the A-102 Common Rule, OMB Circular A-110 (2 CFR § 215.27), DHS program legislation, Federal awarding agency regulations, and the terms and conditions of the award. The four costs principles circulars are as follows: - OMB Circular A-21, Cost Principles for Educational Institutions, relocated to 2 CFR Part 220. - OMB Circular A-87, Cost Principles for State, Local, and Indian Tribal Governments, relocated to 2 CFR Part 225. - OMB Circular A-122, Cost Principles for Non-Profit Organizations, relocated to 2 CFR Part 230. - OMB Circular A-133, Audits of States, Local Governments and Non-Profit Organizations.

Article II - Lobbying Prohibitions

None of the funds provided under an award may be expended by the recipient to pay any person to influence, or attempt to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with any Federal action concerning the award or renewal of any Federal contract, grant, loan, cooperative agreement. These lobbying prohibitions can be found at 31 U.S.C. § 1352.

Article III - Financial Reporting

Recipients will be required to submit a semi-annual Federal Financial Report (FFR), Standard Form (SF-425) through the AFG online e-grant system. The FFR is intended to provide Federal agencies and grant recipients with a standard format and consistent reporting requirements throughout the government. The FFR is due semi-annually based on the calendar year beginning with the period after the award is made. Recipients are required to submit an FFR throughout the entire period of performance of the grant. The reporting periods for the FFR are January 1 through June 30 (report due by July 31), and July 1 through December 31 (report due by January 31). At the end of the grant's period of performance, all recipients are required to produce a final report on how the grant funding was used and the benefits realized from the award. Recipients must submit a final financial report and a final performance report within 90 days after the end of the period of performance.

Article IV - GPD - Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2000

All recipients of financial assistance will comply with the requirements of the government-wide award term which implements Section 106(g) of the Trafficking Victims Protection Act (TVPA) of 2000, as amended (22 U.S.C. § 7104), located at 2 CFR Part 175. This is implemented in accordance with OMB Interim Final Guidance, Federal Register, Volume 72, No. 218, November 13, 2007. In accordance with the statutory requirement, in each agency award under which funding is provided to a private entity, Section 106(g) of the TVPA, as amended, requires the agency to include a condition that authorizes the agency to terminate the award, without penalty, if

the recipient or a sub-recipient - (a) Engages in severe forms of trafficking in persons during the period of time that the award is in effect; (b) Procures a commercial sex act during the period of time that the award is in effect; or (c) Uses forced labor in the performance of the award or subawards under the award. Full text of the award term is provided at 2 CFR § 175.15.

Article V - GPD - Drug-Free Workplace Regulations

All recipients of financial assistance will comply with the requirements of the Drug-Free Workplace Act of 1988 (41 U.S.C. §701 et seq.), which requires that all organizations receiving grants from any Federal agency agree to maintain a drug-free workplace. The recipient must notify the awarding office if an employee of the recipient is convicted of violating a criminal drug statute. Failure to comply with these requirements may be cause for debarment. These regulations are codified at 2 CFR3001.

Article VI - Fly America Act of 1974

All recipients of financial assistance will comply with the requirements of the Preference for U.S. Flag Air Carriers: Travel supported by U.S. Government funds requirement, which states preference for the use of U.S. flag air carriers (air carriers holding certificates under 49 U.S.C. § 41102) for international air transportation of people and property to the extent that such service is available, in accordance with the International Air Transportation Fair Competitive Practices Act of 1974 (49 U.S.C. - 4 -§ 40118) and the interpretative guidelines issued by the Comptroller General of the United States in the March 31, 1981, amendment to Comptroller General Decision B138942.

Article VII - Activities Conducted Abroad

All recipients of financial assistance will comply with the requirements that project activities carried on outside the United States are coordinated as necessary with appropriate government authorities and that appropriate licenses, permits, or approvals are obtained.

Article VIII - Acknowledgement of Federal Funding from DHS

All recipients of financial assistance will comply with requirements to acknowledge Federal funding when issuing statements, press releases, requests for proposals, bid invitations, and other documents describing projects or programs funded in whole or in part with Federal funds.

Article IX - Copyright

All recipients of financial assistance will comply with requirements that publications or other exercise of copyright for any work first produced under Federal financial assistance awards hereto related unless the work includes any information that is otherwise controlled by the Government (e.g., classified information or other information subject to national security or export control laws or regulations). For any scientific, technical, or other copyright work based on or containing data first produced under this award, including those works published in academic, technical or professional journals, symposia proceedings, or similar works, the recipient grants the Government a royalty-free, nonexclusive and irrevocable license to reproduce, display, distribute copies, perform, disseminate, or prepare derivative works, and to authorize others to do so, for Government purposes in all such copyrighted works. The recipient shall affix the applicable copyright notices of 17 U.S.C. § 401 or 402 and an acknowledgement of Government sponsorship (including award number) to any work first produced under an award.

Article X - Use of DHS Seal, Logo and Flags

All recipients of financial assistance must obtain DHS's approval prior to using the DHS seal(s), logos, crests or reproductions of flags or likenesses of DHS agency officials, including use of the United States Coast Guard seal, logo, crests or reproductions of flags or likenesses of Coast Guard officials.

Article XI - DHS Specific Acknowledgements and Assurances

All recipients of financial assistance must acknowledge and agree-and require any subrecipients, contractors,

successors, transferees, and assignees acknowledge and agree to comply with applicable provisions governing DHS access to records, accounts, documents, information, facilities, and staff. 1. Recipients must cooperate with any compliance review or complaint investigation conducted by DHS. 2. Recipients must give DHS access to and the right to examine and copy records, accounts, and other documents and sources of information related to the grant and permit access to facilities, personnel, and other individuals and information as may be necessary, as required by DHS regulations and other applicable laws or program guidance. 3. Recipients must submit timely, complete, and accurate reports to the appropriate DHS officials and maintain appropriate backup documentation to support the reports. 4. Recipients must comply with all other special reporting, data collection, and evaluation requirements, as prescribed by law or detailed in program guidance. 5. If, during the past three years, the recipient has been accused of discrimination on the grounds of race, color, national origin (including limited English proficiency), sex, age, disability, religion, or familial status, the recipient must provide a list of all such proceedings, pending or completed, including outcome and copies of settlement agreements to the DHS awarding office and the DHS Office of Civil Rights and Civil Liberties. 6. In the event any court or administrative agency makes a finding of discrimination on grounds of race, color, national origin (including limited English proficiency), sex, age, disability, religion, or familial status against the recipient, or the recipient settles a case or matter alleging such discrimination, recipients must forward a copy of the complaint and findings to the DHS Component and/or awarding office. The United States has the right to seek judicial enforcement of these obligations.

Article XII - Civil Rights Act of 1964

Recipients of financial assistance will comply with the requirements of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 U.S.C. § 2000d et seq.), which provides that no person in the United States will, on the grounds of race, color, or national origin, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any program or activity receiving Federal financial assistance.

Article XIII - Civil Right Act of 1968

All recipients of financial assistance will comply with Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968, which prohibits recipients from discriminating in the sale, rental, financing, and advertising of dwellings, or in the provision of services in connection therewith, on the basis of race, color, national origin, religion, disability, familial status, and sex (42 U.S.C. § 3601 et seq.), as implemented by the Department of Housing and Urban Development at 24 CFR Part 100. The prohibition on disability discrimination includes the requirement that new multifamily housing with four or more dwelling units-i.e., the public and common use areas and individual apartment units (all units in buildings with elevators and ground-floor units in buildings without elevators)-be designed and constructed with certain accessible features (see 24 CFR § 100.201).

Article XIV - Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990

All recipients of financial assistance will comply with the requirements of Titles I, II, and III of the Americans with Disabilities Act, which prohibits recipients from discriminating on the basis of disability in the operation of public entities, public and private transportation systems, places of public accommodation, and certain testing entities (42 U.S.C. §§ 12101-12213).

Article XV - Age Discrimination Act of 1975

All recipients of financial assistance will comply with the requirements of the Age Discrimination Act of 1975 (42 U.S.C. § 6101 et seq.), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of age in any program or activity receiving Federal financial assistance.

Article XVI - Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972

All recipients of financial assistance will comply with the requirements of Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 (20 U.S.C. § 1681 et seq.), which provides that no person in the United States will, on the basis of sex, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any educational program or activity receiving Federal financial assistance. These regulations are codified at 44 CFR Part 19.

Article XVII - Rehabilitation Act of 1973

All recipients of financial assistance will comply with the requirements of Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, 29 U.S.C. § 794, as amended, which provides that no otherwise qualified handicapped individual in the United States will, solely by reason of the handicap, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any program or activity receiving Federal financial assistance. These requirements pertain to the provision of benefits or services as well as to employment.

Article XVIII - Limited English Proficiency

All recipients of financial assistance will comply with the requirements of Executive Order 13166, Improving Access to Services for Persons with Limited English Proficiency, and resulting agency guidance, national origin and resulting agency guidance, national origin discrimination includes discrimination on the basis of limited English proficiency (LEP). To ensure compliance with Title VI, recipients must take reasonable steps to ensure that LEP persons have meaningful access to your programs. Meaningful access may entail providing language assistance services, including oral and written translation, where necessary. Recipients are encouraged to consider the need for language services for LEP persons served or encountered both in developing budgets and in conducting programs and activities. For assistance and information regarding LEP obligations, go to <http://www.lep.gov>.

Article XIX - Animal Welfare Act of 1966

All recipients of financial assistance will comply with the requirements of the Animal Welfare Act, as amended (7 U.S.C. §2131 et seq.), which requires that minimum standards of care and treatment be provided for vertebrate animals bred for commercial sale, used in research, transported commercially, or exhibited to the public. Recipients must establish appropriate policies and procedures for the humane care and use of animals based on the Guide for the Care and Use of Laboratory Animals and comply with the Public Health Service Policy and Government Principles Regarding the Care and Use of Animals.

Article XX - Clean Air Act of 1970 and Clean Water Act of 1977

All recipients of financial assistance will comply with the requirements of 42 U.S.C. § 7401 et seq. and Executive Order 11738, which provides for the protection and enhancement of the quality of the nation's air resources to promote public health and welfare and for restoring and maintaining the chemical, physical, and biological integrity of the nation's waters is considered research for other purposes.

Article XXI - Protection of Human Subjects

All recipients of financial assistance will comply with the requirements of the Federal regulations at 45 CFR Part 46, which requires that recipients comply with applicable provisions/law for the protection of human subjects for purposes of research. Recipients must also comply with the requirements in DHS Management Directive 026-04, Protection of Human Subjects, prior to implementing any work with human subjects. For purposes of 45 CFR Part 46, research means a systematic investigation, including research, development, testing, and evaluation, designed to develop or contribute to general knowledge. Activities that meet this definition constitute research for purposes of this policy, whether or not they are conducted or supported under a program that is considered research for other purposes. The regulations specify additional protections for research involving human fetuses, pregnant women, and neonates (Subpart B); prisoners (Subpart C); and children (Subpart D). The use of autopsy materials is governed by applicable State and local law and is not directly regulated by 45 CFR Part 46.

Article XXII - National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) of 1969

All recipients of financial assistance will comply with the requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 4331 et seq., which establishes national policy goals and procedures to protect and enhance the environment, including protection against natural disasters. To comply with NEPA for its grant-supported activities, DHS requires the environmental aspects of construction grants (and certain non-construction projects as specified by the Component and awarding office) to be reviewed and evaluated

before final action on the application.

Article XXIII - National Flood Insurance Act of 1968

All recipients of financial assistance will comply with the requirements of Section 1306(c) of the National Flood Insurance Act, as amended, which provides for benefit payments under the Standard Flood Insurance Policy for demolition or relocation of a structure insured under the Act that is located along the shore of a lake or other body of water and that is certified by an appropriate State or local land use authority to be subject to imminent collapse or subsidence as a result of erosion or undermining caused by waves or currents of water exceeding anticipated cyclical levels. These regulations are codified at 44CFR Part 63.

Article XXIV - Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1973

All recipients of financial assistance will comply with the requirements of the Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1973, as amended (42 U.S.C. § 4001 et seq.), which provides that no Federal financial assistance to acquire, modernize, or construct property may be provided in identified flood-prone communities in the United States, unless the community participates in the National Flood Insurance Program and flood insurance is purchased within one year of the identification. The flood insurance purchase requirement applies to both public and private applicants for DHS support. Lists of flood prone areas that are eligible for flood insurance are published in the Federal Register by FEMA.

Article XXV - Coastal Wetlands Planning, Protection, and Restoration Act of 1990

All recipients of financial assistance will comply with the requirements of Executive Order 11990, which provides that federally funded construction and improvements minimize the destruction, loss, or degradation of wetlands. The Executive Order provides that, in furtherance of Section 101(b)(3) of NEPA (42 U.S.C. § 4331(b)(3)), Federal agencies, to the extent permitted by law, must avoid undertaking or assisting with new construction located in wetlands unless the head of the agency finds that there is no practicable alternative to such construction, and that the proposed action includes all practicable measures to minimize harm to wetlands that may result from such use. In making this finding, the head of the agency may take into account economic, environmental, and other pertinent factors. The public disclosure requirement described above also pertains to early public review of any plans or proposals for new construction in wetlands. This is codified at 44 CFR Part 9.

Article XXVI - USA Patriot Act of 2001

All recipients of financial assistance will comply with the requirements of the Uniting and Strengthening America by Providing Appropriate Tools Required to Intercept and Obstruct Terrorism Act (USA PATRIOT Act), which amends 18 U.S.C. §§ 175-175c. Among other things, it prescribes criminal penalties for possession of any biological agent, toxin, or delivery system of a type or in a quantity that is not reasonably justified by a prophylactic, protective, bona fide research, or other peaceful purpose. The act also establishes restrictions on access to specified materials. "Restricted persons," as defined by the act, may not possess, ship, transport, or receive any biological agent or toxin that is listed as a select agent.

Article XXVII - Environmental Planning and Historic Preservation Screening

AFG funded activities (Modification to Facility or Equipment) that may require an EHP review, involving the installation or requiring renovations to facilities, including but not limited to air compressor/fill station/cascade system (Fixed) for filling SCBA, air improvement systems, alarm systems, antennas, gear dryer, generators (fixed), permanently mounted signs, renovations to facilities, sprinklers, vehicle exhaust systems (fixed) or washer/extractors are subject to FEMA's Environmental Planning and Historic Preservation (EHP) review process.

FEMA is required to consider the potential impacts to natural and cultural resources of all projects funded by FEMA grant funds, through its EHP Review process, as mandated by the National Environmental Policy Act; National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended; National Flood Insurance Program regulations; and, any other applicable laws and Executive Orders.

To access the FEMA's Environmental and Historic Preservation (EHP) screening form and instructions go to our Department of Homeland Security/Federal Emergency Management Agency- website at: <https://www.fema.gov/library/viewRecord.do?id=6906>

In order to initiate EHP review of your project(s), you must complete all relevant sections of this form and submit it to the Grant Programs Directorate (GPD) along with all other pertinent project information. Failure to provide requisite information could result in delays in the release of grant funds.

Article XXVIII - Vehicle Awards

If awarded any AFG vehicle grant, you must obtain a vehicle purchase contract from the vendor or manufacturer and send it by e-mail to your AFG Regional Representative. A list of the AFG Regional Representatives and their contact information can be found on the AFG website at <http://www.fema.gov/fire-grant-contact-information>.

The grantee must include in their vehicle purchase contract specific performance requirements and penalties (penalty clause) for noncompliance with the requirements. The clause should specify a delivery date for the vehicle under contract and include a provision for a penalty for non-delivery on the specified date. Non-delivery by the contract's guaranteed date should require a penalty for non-performance of at least \$100 per day until the date that the vehicle is delivered.

It is recommended that any department/organization that will advance their own local funds to their vendor prior to receipt of the vehicle obtain a performance bond. The bond may be obtained through the vendor or a local bank.

It is required that any department/organization that will advance of Federal funds to their vendor prior to receipt of the vehicle obtain a prepayment bond. A prepayment bond may be obtained through your bank or the vendor. The cost for the bond may be included in the grant.

Grantees that fail to comply with these requirements--fail to provide the AFG with a copy of the vehicle purchase contract, or fail to obtain the necessary prepayment bond - will not be eligible for an extension of the grant's period of performance.

If you have questions about these procedures, please contact the AFG Help Desk at 1-866-274-0960, or send an email to firegrants@dhs.gov.

**FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY
OBLIGATING DOCUMENT FOR AWARD/AMENDMENT**

1a. AGREEMENT NO. EMW-2013-FO-06214	2. AMENDMENT NO. 0	3. RECIPIENT NO. 47-6006304	4. TYPE OF ACTION AWARD	5. CONTROL NO. W518706N
6. RECIPIENT NAME AND ADDRESS Omaha Fire Department 1516 Jackson Street Omaha Nebraska, 68102-3110	7. ISSUING OFFICE AND ADDRESS Grant Programs Directorate 500 C Street, S.W. Washington DC, 20528-7000 POC: Rosalie Vega	8. PAYMENT OFFICE AND ADDRESS FEMA, Financial Services Branch 500 C Street, S.W., Room 723 Washington DC, 20472		
9. NAME OF RECIPIENT PROJECT OFFICER Melanie Bates	PHONE NO. 4024445038	10. NAME OF PROJECT COORDINATOR Catherine Patterson	PHONE NO. 1-866-274-0960	
11. EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS ACTION 27-AUG-14	12. METHOD OF PAYMENT SF-270	13. ASSISTANCE ARRANGEMENT Cost Sharing	14. PERFORMANCE PERIOD From:27-AUG-14 To:26-AUG-15	

Budget Period
From:05-MAR-14 To:30-SEP-14

15. DESCRIPTION OF ACTION

a. (Indicate funding data for awards or financial changes)

PROGRAM NAME ACRONYM	CFDA NO.	ACCOUNTING DATA (ACCS CODE) XXXX-XXX-XXXXXX-XXXX-XXXX-XXXX-X	PRIOR TOTAL AWARD	AMOUNT AWARDED THIS ACTION + OR (-)	CURRENT TOTAL AWARD	CUMMULATIVE NON-FEDERAL COMMITMENT
AFG	97.044	2014-M3-C111-P4310000-4101-D	\$0.00	\$555,090.00	\$555,090.00	\$61,676.00
TOTALS			\$0.00	\$555,090.00	\$555,090.00	\$61,676.00

b. To describe changes other than funding data or financial changes, attach schedule and check here.
N/A

16a. FOR NON-DISASTER PROGRAMS: RECIPIENT IS REQUIRED TO SIGN AND RETURN THREE (3) COPIES OF THIS DOCUMENT TO FEMA (See Block 7 for address)

Assistance to Firefighters Grant recipients are not required to sign and return copies of this document. However, recipients should print and keep a copy of this document for their records.

16b. FOR DISASTER PROGRAMS: RECIPIENT IS NOT REQUIRED TO SIGN

This assistance is subject to terms and conditions attached to this award notice or by incorporated reference in program legislation cited above.

17. RECIPIENT SIGNATORY OFFICIAL (Name and Title)
N/A

DATE
N/A

18. FEMA SIGNATORY OFFICIAL (Name and Title)
Rosalie Vega

DATE
27-AUG-14

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Overview

<p>*Did you attend one of the workshops conducted by DHS's regional fire program specialist?</p> <p>Yes, I have attended workshop</p> <p>*Was a workshop within two hours' drive?</p> <p>Yes</p>
<p>* Are you a member, or are you currently involved in the management, of the fire department or non-affiliated EMS organization or a State Fire Training Academy applying for this grant with this application?</p> <p>Yes, I am a member/officer of this applicant</p>

If you answered No, please **complete** the information below. If you answered Yes, please skip the Preparer Information section.

Fields marked with an * are required.

Preparer Information

- * Preparer's Name
- * Address 1
- Address 2
- * City
- *State
- * Zip - [Need help for ZIP+4?](#)

In the space below please list the person your organization has selected to be the primary point of contact for this grant. This should be a Chief Officer or long time member of the organization who will see this grant through completion. Reminder: if this person changes at any time during the period of performance please update this information. Please list only phone numbers where we can get in direct contact with the POC.

Primary Point of Contact

- | | |
|--|------------------------------|
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Middle Initial	
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Applicant Information

EMW-2013-FO-06214

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Application number is EMW-2013-FO-06214

* Organization Name	Omaha Fire Department
* Type of Applicant	Fire Department/Fire District
* Type of Jurisdiction Served If other, please enter the type of Jurisdiction	City
Legal name of your jurisdiction Note: This information must match your <u>SAM.GOV</u> profile if your organization is using the DUNS number of your Jurisdiction.	City of Omaha
* <u>Employer Identification Number</u> (e.g. 12-3456789) Note: This information must match your <u>SAM.GOV</u> profile.	47-6006304
* What is your organization's 9 digit <u>DUNS Number</u> ? If you were issued a 4 digit number (DUNS plus 4) in addition to your 9 digit number please enter it in the second box. If not, please leave the second box blank.	076981265 (call 1-866-705-5711 to get a DUNS number)
* Is your <u>DUNS Number</u> registered in <u>SAM.gov</u> (System for Award Management previously CCR.gov)?	Yes
* I certify that my organization/entity is actively registered at <u>www.SAM.gov</u> and registration will be renewed annually in compliance with Federal regulations. I acknowledge that the information submitted in this application is accurate, current and consistent with my organization's/entity's <u>SAM.gov</u> record.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Headquarters or Main Station Physical Address	
* Physical Address 1	1516 Jackson Street
Physical Address 2	
* City	Omaha
* State	Nebraska
* Zip	68102 - 3110 Need help for ZIP+4?

Mailing Address

* Mailing Address 1 1819 Farnam Street

Mailing Address 2

* City Omaha

* State Nebraska

* Zip 68183 - 0300
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* Please describe all grants that you have received from DHS, for example, 2008 AFG grant for a vehicle or 2010 HSGP grant for exercises. (Enter N/A if Not Applicable).

- 2003 AFG Exhaust System
- 2004 AFG Digital cameras
- 2005 UASI
- 2005 FPS Smoke detectors, Surrey Safety House
- 2006 UASI
- 2006 Bauer Compressor and PPE
- 2006 Carbon Monoxide/Smoke Detector
- 2007 SHSGP
- 2008 SHSGP training and exercise
- 2008 SAFER
- 2008 FP&S CPR in Schools
- 2009 SHSGP
- 2010 UASI

Account Information

Note: This information must match your [SAM.GOV](#) profile.

* Type of bank account Checking

* Bank routing number - 9 digit number on the bottom left hand corner of your check 104000029

*Your account number 105701000082

Additional Information

* For this fiscal year (Federal) is your organization receiving Federal funding from any other grant program that may duplicate the purpose and/or scope of this grant request? No

* If awarded the AFG grant, will your organization expend more than \$500,000 in Federal funds during your organization's fiscal year? Yes

* Is the applicant delinquent on any Federal debt? No

If you answered yes to any of the additional questions above, please provide an explanation in the space provided below:

If awarded, we are asking for more than 500,000 in federal funds.

Fire Department/Fire District Department Characteristics (Part I)

* Are you a member of a Federal Fire Department or contracted by the Federal government and solely responsible for suppression of fires on Federal property? No

* What kind of organization do you represent? All Paid/Career

If you answered combination, above, what is the percentage of career members in your organization?	%
If you answered volunteer or combination or paid on-call, how many of your volunteer Firefighters are paid members from another career department?	
* What type of community does your organization serve?	Urban
* Is your Organization considered a Metro Department?	Yes
* What is the square mileage of your first-due response area?	
Primary/First Due Response Area is a geographical area proximate to a fire or rescue facility and normally served by the personnel and apparatus from that facility in the event of a fire or other emergency and does not include daily or seasonal population surges.	193.18
* What percentage of your response area is protected by hydrants?	79 %
* In what county/parish is your organization physically located? If you have more than one station, in what county/parish is your main station located?	Douglas
* Does your organization protect critical infrastructure of the state?	Yes
* How much of your jurisdiction's land use is for agriculture, wildland, open space, or undeveloped properties?	14 %
* What percentage of your jurisdiction's land use is for commercial and industrial purposes?	18 %
* What percentage of your jurisdiction's land is used for residential purposes?	68 %
* How many occupied structures (commercial, industrial, residential, or institutional) in your jurisdiction are more than three stories tall? Do not include structures which are not regularly occupied such as silos, towers, steeples, etc.	1160
* What is the permanent resident population of your <u>Primary/First-Due Response Area or jurisdiction served?</u>	506022
* Do you have a seasonal increase in population?	Yes
If "Yes" what is your seasonal increase in population?	100000
* How many active firefighters does your department have who perform firefighting duties?	624
* How many members in your department/organization are trained to the level of EMT-I or higher?	271
Do you have <u>Community Paramedics</u> ?	No
* How many stations are operated by your organization?	24
* Is your department compliant to your local	

Emergency Management standard for the National Incident Management System (NIMS)? Yes

* Do you currently report to the National Fire Incident Reporting System (NFIRS)? Yes
 Note: You will be required to report to NFIRS for the entire period of the grant.

If you answered yes above, please enter your FDIN/FDID 01005

* What percent of your active firefighters are trained to the level of Firefighter I? 100 %

* What percent of your active firefighters are trained to the level of Firefighter II? 59 %

If you answered less than 100% to either question above, are you requesting for training funds in this application to bring 100% of your firefighters into compliance with NFPA 1001? Yes

If you indicated that less than 100% of your firefighters are trained to the Firefighter II level and you are not asking for training funds to bring everyone to the FF II level in this application! Please describe in the box to the right your training program and your plans to bring your membership up to Firefighter II.

We are asking for AFG funds to train to FF 2 for all our staff. The training schedule is outlined in the request details. We have 268 firefighters that are not documented to the FF2 level. We intend to train 134 the first year and the remainder the second year. Due to our current union contract and the State of Nebraska schedule we cannot complete all 268 in one year. We also are aware that we have several FF in this undocumented group that have the training and we are working to get those certificates documented by training. We believe that by the end of the period of performance we may be closer to 90% trained to FF2. We will bear the cost of training the remaining staff in 2015.

* What services does your organization provide?

Structural Fire Suppression		Haz-Mat Operational Level
Wildland Fire Suppression	Basic Life Support	Haz-Mat Technical Level
	Advanced Life Support	Rescue Operational Level
	Formal/Year-Round Fire Prevention Program	Rescue Technical Level

* Please describe your organization and/or community that you serve. We recommend typing your response in a Word Document outside of this application, then copying and pasting it into the written field. There is a 4000 character limit.

Omaha is a diverse community of over 500,000 ranking 44th in population of US Cities. We are home to the Century Link center which has a convention capacity of 50,000. We are home to Mutual of Omaha, Con Agra Foods, Union Pacific Railroad and PayPal representing some of the largest insurance, food producers, transportation companies and online financial transaction companies in the US. We annually host the NCAA College World Series for men's baseball, with an average attendance of over 270,000. We hosted 2012 Olympic Swimming Trials and they are returning to Omaha in 2016. We have several major Universities and community colleges. The City of Omaha has had several significant annexations in recent past which included 2 large communities. As a result OFD has absorbed 2 suburban fire districts to our department and a large square mile area.

The Omaha Fire Department (OFD) is an urban career Fire Department with 651 sworn members and 5 civilian support staff. We provide fire service, paramedic ALS transport service, heavy rescue, search and rescue, confined space, high angle rope rescue, water and ice river rescue, hazardous material, industrial extrication, arson investigation, public education, and fire prevention and training. We recognize that we cannot provide full service to our community without partnerships. We work and participate extensively with tri-county mutual aid fire group, the OMMRS, CERT and MRC, local and state health departments, emergency management agency, law, hospitals, and schools. We have partnerships with local business. The City of Omaha hosts the Tri-county Urban Area Security Initiative working group and although our UASI status has been removed we continue to plan as a group. The OFD strives to maintain our ability to serve the public to the highest possible standards.

Our community is bordered on the east by the Missouri River which presents the need for water rescue capabilities. We are transected by the Union Pacific Railroad, the Burlington Northern Railroad and Interstates 80 and 29, posing major transportation concerns and other risks. We have large increase in ethanol production in the area that has put more transport vehicles on our roadways. We have a nuclear power facility to the northern border and Offutt Air force Base to the southern border. All of these mentioned provide increased needs for our responders that can only be met with reliable equipment and proper training.

Omaha also has its social challenges. We have an unusually high poverty rate and crime rate for a city our size and we continue to see extremely high drug trafficking issues as it relates to the cross through of Interstate 80. Omaha's per capita homicide rate rose to 10.4 per 100,000 residents which is 121 percent greater than the national average. We have been in the top five for the highest poverty rate for African American Children and have a high infant mortality rate in this population as well. These and multitudes of other challenges require community dollars to address them and draw away from our resources to address fire challenges.

Omaha Fire Department strives to meet the demands put forth post 911. We are very conscious in our planning and address the core capabilities as a cohesive group to ensure we are meeting the National Preparedness Goal to the best of our ability for our community.

Fire Department Characteristics (Part II)

	2012	2011	2010
* What is the total number of fire-related civilian fatalities in your jurisdiction over the last three years?	7	1	0
* What is the total number of fire-related civilian injuries in your jurisdiction over the last three years?	20	24	37
* What is the total number of line of duty member fatalities in your jurisdiction over the last three years?	0	0	0
* What is the total number of line of duty member injuries in your jurisdiction over the last three years?	133	103	93
* Over the last three years, what was your organization's average operating budget?		82610692	
* What percentage of your TOTAL budget is dedicated to personnel costs (salary, overtime and fringe benefits)?		94 %	
* What percentage of your annual operating budget is derived from: Enter numbers only, percentages must sum up to 100%			
Taxes?	100 %		
<u>EMS Billing?</u>	0 %		
Grants?	0 %		
Donations?	0 %		
Fund drives?	0 %		
<u>Fee for Service?</u>	0 %		
Other?	0 %		
If you entered a value into Other field (other than 0), please explain			
Does your organization intend to provide a financial match greater than the required amount?	No		
If yes, how much additional funds is you department/agency willing to contribute? Please fill in the amount in the box to the right.	\$		

* Please describe your organization's need for Federal financial assistance. We recommend typing your response in a Word Document outside of this application, then copying and pasting it into the written field. There is a 4000 character limit.

Omaha has had major issues with its local budget over the last 5 years and has recently had its bond rating reduced. This has had a significant impact to its local economy. The overall city has experienced hiring freezes, pay freezes and non replacement of city staff. City civilians are faced with reduction in retirement from defined benefit to defined contribution and decreases in insurance benefits. We expect this will directly affect fire union negotiation in 2014. State of Nebraska taxes are flat so we expect no assistance from the state and local property taxes for 2013 were decreased.

Since August the Omaha Fire Department was faced with probable layoffs for up to 24 of its youngest members. The layoffs have been halted due to an agreement with the fire union that is not yet ratified by its membership and the City Council. If it is not ratified, we could still have firefighter layoffs. The Mayor's office has put strict spending limits on all departments. There is no additional money in the budget for much needed training or equipment.

OFD have seen a reduction in equipment purchases of 24% in 2013 and 27% in 2014. We have reduced our force by 1 aerial truck, 1 engine, 2 medic units and 1 heavy rescue truck even though we have grown in coverage area. We have reduced our administrative staff by 1 assistant chief and are not going to see hiring for 2014 regardless of retirements or need, due to a police budgeted recruit class.

Without federal financial assistance from AFG we will have significant deficiencies in our equipment and training and that has the potential to be detrimental for the citizens and our firefighters. We are respectfully requesting your assistance to help avoid further decline in our services and help us protect our community.

* How many vehicles does your organization have in each of the types or class of vehicle listed below? You must include vehicles that are leased or on long-term loan as well as any vehicles that have been ordered or otherwise currently under contract for purchase or lease by your organization but not yet in your possession. (Enter numbers only and enter 0 if you do not have any of the vehicles below.)

Type or Class of Vehicle	Number of Front Line Apparatus	Number of Reserve Apparatus	Number of Seated Riding Positions
Engines or Pumpers (pumping capacity of 750 gpm or greater and water capacity of 300 gallons or more): Pumper, Pumper/Tanker, Rescue/Pumper, Foam Pumper, CAFS Pumper, Type I or Type II Engine Urban Interface	24	6	120
Ambulances for transport and/or emergency response	15	8	42
Tankers or Tenders (pumping capacity of less than 750 gallons per minute (gpm) and water capacity of 1,000 gallons or more):	1	0	2
Aerial Apparatus: Aerial Ladder Truck, Telescoping, Articulating, Ladder Towers, Platform, Tiller Ladder Truck, Quint	8	6	52
Brush/Quick attack (pumping capacity of less than 750 gpm and water carrying capacity of at least 300 gallons): Brush Truck, Patrol Unit (Pickup w/ Skid Unit), Quick Attack Unit, Mini-Pumper, Type III Engine, Type IV Engine, Type V Engine, Type VI Engine, Type VII Engine	6	0	12
Rescue Vehicles: Rescue Squad, Rescue (Light, Medium, Heavy), Technical Rescue Vehicle, Hazardous Materials Unit	3	1	14
Additional Vehicles: EMS Chase Vehicle, Air/Light Unit, Rehab Units, Bomb Unit, Technical Support (Command, Operational Support/Supply), Hose Tender, Salvage Truck, ARFF (Aircraft Rescue Firefighting), Command/Mobile Communications Vehicle	9	1	20

Department Call Volume

	2012	2011	2010
* How many responses per year by category? (Enter whole numbers only. If you have no calls for any of the categories, enter 0)			
Structural Fires	599	546	534
False Alarms/Good Intent Calls	6200	6022	6018
Vehicle Fires	238	252	348
Vegetation Fires	206	83	90
EMS-BLS Response Calls	0	0	0
EMS-ALS Response Calls	27713	26480	25769
EMS-BLS Scheduled Transports	0	0	0
EMS-ALS Scheduled Transports	0	0	0
Community Paramedic Response Calls	0	0	0
Vehicle Accidents w/o Extrication	2023	1972	1906
Vehicle Extrications	103	107	110
Other Rescue	0	360	329
Hazardous Condition/Materials Calls	383	390	437
Service Calls	14755	8286	3486
Other Calls and Incidents	0	0	0
Total	52220	44498	39027
* How many responses per year by category? (Enter whole numbers only. If you have no calls for any of the categories, enter 0)			
What is the total acreage of all vegetation fires?	20	18	4
* How many responses per year by category? (Enter whole numbers only. If you have no calls for any of the categories, enter 0)			
In a particular year, how many times does your organization receive mutual aid?	37	39	26
In a particular year, how many times does your organization receive automatic aid?	7	0	0
In a particular year, how many times does your organization provide mutual aid?	262	192	230
In a particular year, how many times does your organization provide automatic aid?	26	0	0
Total Mutual / Automatic Aid (please total the responses from the previous two blocks)	332	231	256
Out of the mutual/automatic aid responses, how many were structure fires?	28	10	12

Request Information

1. Select a program for which you are applying. If you are interested in applying under both Vehicle Acquisition and Operations and Safety, and/or regional application **you will need to submit separate applications.**

Program Name

Operations and Safety

2. Will this grant benefit more than one organization?

No

3. Enter Grant-writing fee associated with the preparation of this request. Enter 0 if there is no fee.

\$0

* From the requested activities, what is the total dollar amount requested for EMS equipment, supplies, training, etc in the Request Details of this application? If none of the items requested are for fire-based EMS, then enter \$0.	\$ 0
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* 4. If you are filing for a micro grant (\$25,000 federal share) or less please click the radio button and answer "YES". Please remember that your total request will be limited to \$25,000 or less in Federal funds in the Operations and Safety portion only.	N/A
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5. By answering yes to question #4 you are giving up the option to apply under Operations & Safety (Equipment, Modifications to Facilities, Personal Protective Equipment, Training and Wellness & fitness) for more than \$25,000 of Federal funding. Do you agree to this? Do you fully understand this option?	
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Request Details

The activities for program **Operations and Safety** are listed in the table below.

Activity	Number of Entries	Total Cost	Additional Funding
Equipment	1	\$ 192,000	\$ 0
Modify Facilities	0	\$ 0	\$ 0
Personal Protective Equipment	0	\$ 0	\$ 0
Training	1	\$ 379,075	\$ 45,691
Wellness and Fitness Programs	0	\$ 0	\$ 0

* Total Funding for all EMS requested in this application \$0

Grant-writing fee associated with the preparation of this request. \$0

Equipment

Equipment Details

1. What equipment will your organization purchase with this grant? Cutter/Spreader

* Please provide further description of the item selected from the drop down list.

Items included are power unit, 24 in spreader with tip, 30 in push pull ram, 60 in ram, 22 in cutter, 2 30ft extension hoses, and 2 gal hydraulic fluids. We will receive 3 days of training from the vendor with this purchase.

2. Number of units:

8 (whole number only)

3. Cost per unit:

\$ 24000 (whole dollar amounts only)

4. Generally the equipment purchased under this grant program will:

Replace old, obsolete, damaged equipment with equipment that meets current standards

If you selected "replacing equipment" (from Q4) above, please specify the age of equipment in years.

15 or more years

5. Generally the equipment purchased under this grant program is:

Will bring the organization into voluntary compliance with a national standard, e.g. compliance with NFPA, OSHA, etc. Please explain how this equipment will bring the organization into voluntary compliance in the space provided to the right.

Explanation
These tools will allow us to comply with NFPA 1001 on FF2 standards as they will give us reliable resources for providing that training and ultimately bring our ff all to FF2.
These tools help our dept to meet NFPA 1936 standards on rescue tools by providing safe, lightweight, strong, and dependable equipment that functions when needed. If awarded we will replace the old deficient equipment with new light weight dependable equipment.

6. Is your department trained in the proper use of this equipment being requested?

Yes

7. Are you requesting funding for training? (Funding for requested training should be requested in the Equipment Additional Funding section).

No

8. If you are not requesting training funds through this application, will you obtain training for this equipment through other sources?

Yes

Firefighting Equipment - Narrative

* Section # 1 Project Description: In the space provided below include clear and concise details regarding your organization's project's description and budget. This includes providing local statistics to justify the needs of your department and a detailed plan for how your department will implement the proposed project. Further, please describe what you are requesting funding for including budget descriptions of the major budget items, i.e., personnel, equipment, contracts, etc. *3000 characters

Our project is to replace the old, outdated, dilapidated, mismatched power units and rescue tools on our current assigned apparatus with new lightweight efficient equipment capable of functioning on high strength and composite materials and satisfying the NFPA 1936 standard. We need this equipment to be able to properly provide rapid and efficient extrication for automobile accidents and other emergencies and reduce the risk of injury to our firefighters from old cumbersome heavy and even dangerous aged devices. The current equipment we are asking to replace is greater than 15 years old and some is approaching 30 years of service in a high use

department.

We have 14 apparatus that carry rescue tools spread across the city. We had 15 units in service at the beginning of 2013 but we had to remove one from service due to lack of serviceability leaving a gap in our coverage. Of those 14, 8 are older than 15 years old and do not come close to passing the appropriate tests in NFPA 1936. They are at a state where they cannot be repaired in a cost effective manner. The 8 units we are asking for will be able to be used on high strength alloys and composite materials. The current units lack this capability. We have had incidents when we have had to call an additional vehicle to respond to a time critical emergencies because the extrication tools we have in service cannot perform the required functions on scene or failed entirely. We were able to find documented use of our rescue tool that averaged over 105 times per year in the last 3 years. We know that there are additional uses of these tools but that is documented in the narrative section and difficult to retrieve that data. That is use about every 3rd day in our department.

We are asking to purchase 8 complete sets of rescue tools. The set would include power units, spreaders, push pull rams, 60 inch rams, hydraulic hoses and fluids. The cost is 24,000/unit for a total of 196,000. They will replace the units that are not in good repair. To assist with our other AFG request to train our FF to FF2 we will take the older rescue tool unit in the best shape and place it at the training center for training use. It could also be used as a backup if one fails. Currently at our training facility we had to borrow a unit from a volunteer department to provide training to our candidates as ours failed to function and we have no backup.

We have tried to budget for these tools in the past and did make some purchases at a rate of 1 per year in mid 2000 but we have been unable to get rescue tools into our budget in the last several years and no money is allocated for them in 2014. They were proposed but cut from the budget in the early stages.

If awarded we will provide training to all 3 shifts provided by the manufacturer and our training staff and place the new equipment in service on the apparatus replacing the deficient equipment.

* Section # 2 Cost/Benefit: In the space provided below please explain, as clearly as possible, what will be the benefits your department or your community will realize if the project described is funded (i.e. anticipated savings and/or efficiencies)? Is there a high benefit for the cost incurred? Are the costs reasonable? Provide justification for the budget items relating to the cost of the requested items. *3000 characters

The cost benefit for AFG is most easily derived from the cost of these 8 sets of rescue tools at \$192,000 divided by over 500,000 citizens in the community that equals a cost under .40 cents in AFG dollars per citizen at a onetime expense. The cost per run when average over the past 3 years would be about 182 dollars per run. If averaged over our total runs for the last 3 years it would be \$192,000/ 45,248 incidents or \$ 4.24 per incident. The cost benefit from firefighters is realized in a reduction of injury from lifting, twisting or prying. The less physical stress that we can put on our firefighters while they are under emotional stress is proven to reduce injuries. As a department we can do 2 things to reduce injury and one is to improve training and the other is to provide good equipment. This grant would assist us in providing that to our firefighters. Additionally there is cost benefit to our fire department and our community as taxpayers by reducing our liability. An average back injury costs the city about \$10000 dollars per year in medical costs. We had 28 back injuries last year alone for a total of \$280,000 in medical. That does not cover loss of work to the firefighter and loss of the fire company without their employee. Now reasonably all these are not from injuries while operating the rescue tools but some are from lifting of rescue equipment and other firefighting equipment. Anything that could be done to minimize that risk to FF is worth the investment. These lighter weight, more efficient devices will do the job quicker, with less stress on the body and likely reduce injury that results in community liability. For the injured and trapped person it is difficult to assess a number value. The price of extricating a person that otherwise may die and getting them the treatment they need to recover and lead a productive life has a value that cannot be measured.

* Section # 3 Statement of Effect: How would this award affect the daily operations of your department (i.e., describe how frequently the equipment will be used or what the benefits will provide the personnel in your department)? How would this award affect your department's ability to protect lives and property in your community? *3000 characters

Our department would no longer have to call in additional resources to an emergency scene for equipment failure or have equipment that was not able to perform the task. That will allow apparatus to be in service and available to other emergencies and not be out of service assisting for mechanical failure. The rescue tools average a use of once every third day in our department over the last 3 years. This is more common than other specialized equipment such as meters, saws or even aerial ladders. It is an award that will

affect operations almost daily. It is used about 110 times per year. The rescue tools provide a resource that must be efficient and rapid in order to provide a positive outcome. It directly benefits patient care by decreasing the time from incident to definite care. It will help get patients to the hospital faster. Right now of the 14 rescue tools we have only 6 that are reliable and provide the consistent force needed. We have over half of our community not adequately covered. This award would allow us to cover our whole community. (That does not mean every rig, it means every location and there are 14 defined in our community by GIS mapping and management decision based on location and risks.) The new and efficient equipment also weighs less than our other devices. It is more comfortable for the user and results in less muscle strains and long term injury for the firefighters. That keeps firefighters safer and on the job and provides firefighter coverage to our community.

Training Program

Training Details

- 1. For your active structural firefighters do you require FF II or equivalent? Yes
- 2. Which title most closely describes your requested program?

Firefighter I, Firefighter II (NFPA 1001)

Please provide further description of the Training Program you selected. We want resources for training our FF1 certified personnel to FF2 by a hands on instructor led certification based training.

- 3. Generally, this program can best be categorized as:
Training that is evaluated/tested using a national or state standard

- 4. What percentage of applicable personnel will be trained by this program? 100 %

5. Generally, the training program provided under this grant:
Will bring your department into compliance with recommended applicable NFPA or other standards, please specify:
Explanation:
We will be compliant and competent in the knowledge and skills as outlined in NFPA 1001 Chapter 6 on FF 2 standards.

Explanation:
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- 6. Will this training enhance your ability to perform mutual aid?
If you answered Yes to the question above, please explain. Yes
Having all our FF trained to FF2 certification may allow for future increase in mutual aid response. Because they have a higher level of training it is likely at least when responding to smaller fire departments that we may be asked to take a more active role particularly where it involves unified command.

- 7. Will this training include members from other fire departments and/or non-affiliated EMS organizations? No

- 8. Will this training be: Instructor-led

Budget Item - Firefighter I, Firefighter II (NFPA 1001)

*Item Manufacturer Burn Simulator

*Please provide further description of the item selected above. Repair and upgrade sensors in the current fire training simulator to make it functional. It has been down due to sensor malfunction and we have been unable to use since winter 2011.

* Select Object Class Contractual

If you selected other above, please specify

* Number of units 3 (Whole number only)

* Cost per unit \$ 21425 (whole dollar amounts only)

Budget Item - Firefighter I, Firefighter II (NFPA 1001)

*Item Props: Non-Construction

*Please provide further description of the item selected above. Portable HazMat Tanker Simulator with trailer for portability

* Select Object Class Equipment

If you selected other above, please specify

* Number of units 1 (Whole number only)

* Cost per unit \$ 125000 (whole dollar amounts only)

Budget Item - Firefighter I, Firefighter II (NFPA 1001)

*Item Props: Non-Construction

*Please provide further description of the item selected above. A Portable vehicle fire training prop with 3 burn areas -engine compartment, front and back passenger areas and functional compartment access-doors, hood and trunk and a safety shut off and an aluminum trailer for portability.

* Select Object Class Equipment

If you selected other above, please specify

* Number of units 1 (Whole number only)

* Cost per unit \$ 79900 (whole dollar amounts only)

Budget Item - Firefighter I, Firefighter II (NFPA 1001)

*Item Props: Non-Construction

*Please provide further description of the item selected above. Fire and HazMat Fire Trainer with capabilities for addressing industrial pipe fire, horizontal propane tank fire, split flange fire, and flammable liquids fire

* Select Object Class Equipment

If you selected other above, please specify

* Number of units 1 (Whole number only)

* Cost per unit \$ 109900 (whole dollar amounts only)

Firefighting Training - Narrative

* Section # 1 Project Description: In the space provided below include clear and concise details regarding your organization's project's description and budget. This includes providing local statistics to justify the needs of your department and a detailed plan for how your department will implement the proposed project. Further, please describe what you are requesting funding for including budget descriptions of the major budget items, i.e., personnel, equipment, contracts, etc. *3000 characters

The OFD wants to provide the much needed training to meet NFPA 1001 chapter 6 and train our FF to FF2 level. In order to do so we are requesting funds to provide the necessary repairs to our fire simulator(64,275), add 3 necessary training props with trailers (314,800) and provide the expendable supplies(8291)and State of NE fee (13400) to support consistent hands on instructor led certification based FF2 training (HO/IL/CBT).

Much of our staff has FF2 equivalent training and received it prior to 2006 when Nebraska began to offer FF2. We have identified 383 ff with FF2 cert or equivalent which is 59% of our job. There are 268 firefighters that are lacking the documented total training to achieve FF2. Many of them specifically lack the training we are addressing by requesting props. Our project seeks to obtain the equipment, supplies, and contracts so we can get our 268 firefighters trained in a (HO/IL/CBT). We will do this by splitting this number in half and training one group of 134 in the 1st year and the other 134 in the 2nd year. We believe that we have a significant number of FF that hold the certificate but received it off the job. We are working to identify that group and obtain their certification for our records. We believe by the end of the POP we will have close to 90% trained to FF2. We will budget the cost to complete to 100% in the successive fiscal year.

We have an interdisciplinary multi-use public safety training center completed in 2006. At completion there were only 7 facilities similar in the country. We built a TC because our training facility and that of our law enforcement both needed to be vacated due to huge safety concerns. We went without a TC for years. At that time the National Guard was looking to expand its Readiness Center and did not have the space at its current location. Because all 3 organizations-Fire, Police and National Guard had a need for a similar structure, a public safety bond was passed and our training center was built. Its plan met and even exceeded all the standards as set in NFPA 1402.

On completion it lacked the purchase of the props we are requesting due to funding and we have been forced to borrow from the state when available or forgo practical training. The props are a necessity.

We are also in need of a repair to our fire training simulator. There funds directed to the maintenance of the simulator. By 2008 we were experiencing repeated sensor failure due to lack of proper technical maintenance. The fire training simulator has not functioned since 2011. We have a bid from the vendor to fix the system. It has been cut from the budget the last 3years. That project would involve installing 6 drawn sample sensors and 3 static sensors on the 3 fireplaces in our training tower. It also includes regular maintenance and repair maintenance for 1 year. We now understand that this maintenance is crucial to this project. It will be budgeted for in successive years.

* Section # 2 Cost/Benefit: In the space provided below please explain, as clearly as possible, what will be the benefits your department or your community will realize if the project described is funded (i.e. anticipated savings and/or efficiencies)? Is there a high benefit for the cost incurred? Are the costs reasonable? Provide justification for the budget items relating to the cost of the requested items. *3000 characters

The cost benefits for this project include multiple tangibles, intangibles and cost savings.

The tangibles are a properly trained safe cadre of 651 FF2 certified firefighters that respond to a large diverse community of over 500,000. In addition you are giving our region the much needed tools, props and a renewed fire simulator, to provide training for over 1660 FF in gas, liquid, interior structural fires. With this grant we will be better equipped to respond to a population of over 750,000. The cost of training OFD firefighters to the FF2 initial and re-certification level is approximately \$385,000 for 651 Omaha firefighters. It is an investment of about 591 dollars per FF. It is crucial to understand that this investment will continue for the life of the equipment and provide updated annual training as well. That training even over a relatively short 5 year projection would actually be just 118 dollars per ff. Spread through our community's population the cost to improve our training center capabilities for all training and assist the training of 1660 ff regionally is about 50 cents over one year/ per person which is an exceptionally good cost benefit for our community and a very cost efficient project for AFG.

The intangibles or unknown cost savings lies in the reduction of injuries or death of a firefighter or citizen. This could range into the millions of dollars per incident and would likely vastly increase if FF were not properly trained to all the potential known hazards that they face. Proper understanding and practice in fire attack of liquid, gas, structure and high rise fires is critical to improving our response and are known hazards to FF and liabilities to communities that do not provide the proper training.

Cost savings are realized in several areas. The fire training simulator project could be patched for 24397. That only fixes one burner and we do not know when the others will fail. The vendor will not provide a maintenance

contract as is for the other 2 fireplaces. Likely a repair in one place would result in a failure in another with an unknown cost. But if the equipment is brought up to compliance with this award, the vendor will provide a price break on the maintenance agreement that will result in a savings of about 7000/per year for our department and provides additional assurances that the product will be in good working order to train our departments. We will be budgeting for the continued maintenance in subsequent budget years.

* Section # 3 Statement of Effect: How would this award affect the daily operations of your department (i.e., describe how frequently the equipment will be used or what the benefits will provide the personnel in your department)? How would this award affect your department's ability to protect lives and property in your community? *3000 characters

OFD provides access to our training center to 28 other fire departments. Funds to support this project will directly impact over 268 Omaha FF to be trained to FF2 and make us 80-90% compliant by year 1 and 100% compliant by year two at a cost to us. Re-certification or continued training will directly impact all 651 Omaha FF and an additional 1000 FF in the region. The increased ability to protect our community and the added level of safety that being trained to FF2 is well documented and recognized by all 9 fire service organizations that develop and support this grant opportunity. We would use our fire training simulator almost daily. It will be used as we train our ff to FF2 certification. It will be used with all recruits as we will continue to meet the FF2 standard with recruits. It will be used to incorporate the training of our 268 FF to a certification based program. Finally it will be used for all our 651 FF for annual and need driven training as it arises. In addition this simulator and props are available to our local volunteer organizations nights and weekends when they request its use and will be used by other paid departments during the days when it is available or in conjunction with our training. The fire simulator and props provide the base for parts of other training that we will be addressing such as NFPA 1041 Instructor, NFPA 472 HazMat OPS, NFPA 1021 Fire Officer, these are all also high priority trainings that we will be able to provide in the future. We will also continue with training that we identify as a local risk. Our mission statement includes providing fire support for the community and this project clearly supports that goal. A firefighter and fire department and its ability to safely respond and adequately bring under control the fire scene is directly tied to the training received. This award would affect our ability to protect lives and property daily in Omaha. We appreciate your consideration for this award.

Budget

Budget Object Class

a. Personnel	\$ 0
b. Fringe Benefits	\$ 0
c. Travel	\$ 0
d. Equipment	\$ 506,800
e. Supplies	\$ 8,291
f. Contractual	\$ 77,675
g. Construction	\$ 0
h. Other	\$ 0
i. Indirect Charges	\$ 24,000
j. State Taxes	\$ 0

Federal and Applicant Share

Federal Share	\$ 555,090
Applicant Share	\$ 61,676
Federal Rate Sharing (%)	90/10

* Non-Federal Resources (The combined Non-Federal Resources must equal the Applicant Share of \$ 61,676)

a. Applicant	\$ 61,676
b. State	\$ 0
c. Local	\$ 0
d. Other Sources	\$ 0

If you entered a value in Other Sources other than zero (0), include your explanation below. You can use this space to provide information on the project, cost share match, or if you have an indirect cost agreement with a federal agency.

Total Budget	\$ 616,766
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Narrative Statement

For 2011 and on, the Narrative section of the AFG application has been modified. You will enter individual narratives for the Project Description, Cost-Benefit, Statement of Effect, and Additional Information in the Request Details section for each Activity for which you are requesting funds. Please return to the Request Details section for further instructions. You will address the Financial Need in Applicant Characteristics II section of the application. We recommend that you type each response in a Word Document outside of the grant application and then copy and paste it into the spaces provided within the application.

Assurances and Certifications

FEMA Form SF 424B

You must read and sign these assurances. These documents contain the Federal requirements attached to all Federal grants including the right of the Federal government to review the grant activity. You should read over the documents to become aware of the requirements. The Assurances and Certifications must be read, signed, and submitted as a part of the application.

Note: Fields marked with an * are required.

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Assurances Non-Construction Programs

Note: Certain of these assurances may not be applicable to your project or program. If you have any questions, please contact the awarding agency. Further, certain Federal awarding agencies may require applicants to certify to additional assurances. If such is the case, you will be notified.

As the duly authorized representative of the applicant I certify that the applicant:

1. Has the legal authority to apply for Federal assistance and the institutional, managerial and financial capability (including funds sufficient to pay the non-Federal share of project costs) to ensure proper planning, management and completion of the project described in this application.
2. Will give the awarding agency, the Comptroller General of the United States, and if appropriate, the State, through any authorized representative, access to and the right to examine all records, books, papers, or documents related to the award; and will establish a proper accounting system in accordance with generally accepted accounting standards or agency directives.
3. Will establish safeguards to prohibit employees from using their positions for a purpose that constitutes or presents the appearance of personal or organizational conflict of interest, or personal gain.
4. Will initiate and complete the work within the applicable time frame after receipt of approval of the awarding agency.
5. Will comply with the Intergovernmental Personnel Act of 1970 (42 U.S.C. Section 4728-4763) relating to prescribed standards for merit systems for programs funded under one of the nineteen statutes or regulations specified in Appendix A of OPM's Standards for a Merit System of Personnel Administration (5 C.F.R. 900, Subpart F).
6. Will comply with all Federal statutes relating to nondiscrimination. These include but are not limited to: (a) Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (P.L. 88-352) which prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color or national origin; (b) Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, as amended (20 U.S.C. Sections 1681-1683, and 1685-1686), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of sex; (c) Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended (29 U.S.C. Section 794), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of handicaps; (d) the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, as amended (42 U.S.C. Sections 6101-6107), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of age; (e) the Drug Abuse Office and Treatment Act of 1972 (P.L. 92-255), as amended, relating to nondiscrimination on the basis of drug abuse; (f) the Comprehensive Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism Prevention, Treatment and Rehabilitation Act of 1970 (P.L. 91-616), as amended, relating to nondiscrimination on the basis of alcohol abuse or alcoholism; (g) §§523 and 527 of the Public Health Service Act of 1912 (42 U.S.C. §§290 dd-3 and 290 ee-3), as amended, relating to confidentiality of alcohol and drug abuse patient records; (h) Title VIII of the Civil Rights Acts of 1968 (42 U.S.C. Section 3601 et seq.), as amended, relating to nondiscrimination in the sale, rental or

financing of housing; (i) any other nondiscrimination provisions in the specific statute(s) under which application for Federal assistance is being made; and (j) the requirements of any other nondiscrimination statute(s) which may apply to the application.

7. Will comply, or has already complied, with the requirements of Title II and III of the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970 (P.L. 91-646) which provide for fair and equitable treatment of persons displaced or whose property is acquired as a result of Federal or federally-assisted programs. These requirements apply to all interest in real property acquired for project purposes regardless of Federal participation in purchases.
8. Will comply, as applicable, with provisions of the Hatch Act (5 U.S.C. §§1501-1508 and 7324-7328) which limit the political activities of employees whose principal employment activities are funded in whole or in part with Federal funds.
9. Will comply, as applicable, with the provisions of the Davis-Bacon Act (40 U.S.C. §§276a to 276a-7), the Copeland Act (40 U.S.C. §276c and 18 U.S.C. §874), and the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act (40 U.S.C. §§327-333), regarding labor standards for federally-assisted construction subagreements.
10. Will comply, if applicable, with flood insurance purchase requirements of Section 102(a) of the Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1973 (P.L. 93-234) which requires recipients in a special flood hazard area to participate in the program and to purchase flood insurance if the total cost of insurable construction and acquisition is \$10,000 or more.
11. Will comply with environmental standards which may be prescribed pursuant to the following: (a) institution of environmental quality control measures under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (P.L. 91-190) and Executive Order (EO) 11514; (b) notification of violating facilities pursuant to EO 11738; (c) protection of wetlands pursuant to EO 11990; (d) evaluation of flood hazards in floodplains in accordance with EO 11988; (e) assurance of project consistency with the approved State management program developed under the Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972 (16 U.S.C. §§1451 et seq.); (f) conformity of Federal actions to State (Clean Air) Implementation Plans under Section 176(c) of the Clean Air Act of 1955, as amended (42 U.S.C. §§7401 et seq.); (g) protection of underground sources of drinking water under the Safe Drinking Water Act of 1974, as amended (P.L. 93-523); and, (h) protection of endangered species under the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (P.L. 93-205).
12. Will comply with the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act of 1968 (16 U.S.C. Section 1271 et seq.) related to protecting components or potential components of the national wild and scenic rivers system.
13. Will assist the awarding agency in assuring compliance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended (16 U.S.C. 470), EO 11593 (identification and protection of historic properties), and the Archaeological and Historic Preservation Act of 1974 (16 U.S.C. 469a-1 et seq.).
14. Will comply with P.L. 93-348 regarding the protection of human subjects involved in research, development, and related activities supported by this award of assistance.
15. Will comply with the Laboratory Animal Welfare Act of 1966 (P.L. 89-544, as amended, 7 U.S.C. 2131 et seq.) pertaining to the care, handling, and treatment of warm blooded animals held for research, teaching, or other activities supported by this award of assistance.
16. Will comply with the Lead-Based Paint Poisoning Prevention Act (42 U.S.C. Section 4801 et seq.) which prohibits the use of lead based paint in construction or rehabilitation of residence structures.
17. Will cause to be performed the required financial and compliance audits in accordance with the Single Audit Act Amendments of 1996 and OMB Circular No. A-133, "Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations."
18. Will comply with all applicable requirements of all other Federal laws, executive orders, regulations and policies governing this program.

Signed by **Melanie Bates** on **12/04/2013**

Form 20-16C

You must read and sign these assurances.

Certifications Regarding Lobbying, Debarment, Suspension and Other Responsibility Matters and Drug-Free Workplace Requirements.

Note: Fields marked with an * are required.

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Applicants should refer to the regulations cited below to determine the certification to which they are required to attest. Applicants should also review the instructions for certification included in the regulations before completing this form. Signature on this form provides for compliance with certification requirements under 44 CFR Part 18, "New Restrictions on Lobbying; and 44 CFR Part 17, "Government-wide Debarment and Suspension (Non-procurement) and Government-wide Requirements for Drug-Free Workplace (Grants)." The certifications shall be treated as a material representation of fact upon which reliance will be placed when the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) determines to award the covered transaction, grant, or cooperative agreement.

1. Lobbying

A. As required by the section 1352, Title 31 of the US Code, and implemented at 44 CFR Part 18 for persons (entering) into a grant or cooperative agreement over \$100,000, as defined at 44CFR Part 18, the applicant certifies that:

(a) No Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid by or on behalf of the undersigned to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the making of any Federal grant, the entering into of any cooperative agreement and extension, continuation, renewal amendment or modification of any Federal grant or cooperative agreement.

(b) If any other funds than Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this Federal grant or cooperative agreement, the undersigned shall complete and submit Standard Form LLL, "Disclosure of Lobbying Activities", in accordance with its instructions.

(c) The undersigned shall require that the language of this certification be included in the award documents for all the sub awards at all tiers (including sub grants, contracts under grants and cooperative agreements and sub contract(s)) and that all sub recipients shall certify and disclose accordingly.

2. Debarment, Suspension and Other Responsibility Matters (Direct Recipient)

A. As required by Executive Order 12549, Debarment and Suspension, and implemented at 44CFR Part 67, for prospective participants in primary covered transactions, as defined at 44 CFR Part 17, Section 17.510-A, the applicant certifies that it and its principals:

(a) Are not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, sentenced to a denial of Federal benefits by a State or Federal court, or voluntarily excluded from covered transactions by any Federal department or agency.

(b) Have not within a three-year period preceding this application been convicted of or had a civilian judgment rendered against them for commission of fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain or perform a public (Federal, State, or local) transaction or contract under a public transaction; violation of Federal or State antitrust statutes or commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, making false statements, or receiving stolen property.

(c) Are not presently indicted for or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a government entity

(Federal, State, or local) with commission of any of the offenses enumerated in paragraph (1)(b) of this certification: and

(d) Have not within a three-year period preceding this application had one or more public transactions (Federal, State, or local) terminated for cause or default; and

B. Where the applicant is unable to certify to any of the statements in this certification, he or she shall attach an explanation to this application.

3. Drug-Free Workplace (Grantees other than individuals)

As required by the Drug-Free Workplace Act of 1988, and implemented at 44CFR Part 17, Subpart F, for grantees, as defined at 44 CFR part 17, Sections 17.615 and 17.620:

(A) The applicant certifies that it will continue to provide a drug-free workplace by:

(a) Publishing a statement notifying employees that the unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensing, possession, or use of a controlled substance is prohibited in the grantee's workplace and specifying the actions that will be taken against employees for violation of such prohibition;

(b) Establishing an on-going drug free awareness program to inform employees about:

- (1) The dangers of drug abuse in the workplace;
- (2) The grantees policy of maintaining a drug-free workplace;
- (3) Any available drug counseling, rehabilitation and employee assistance programs; and
- (4) The penalties that may be imposed upon employees for drug abuse violations occurring in the workplace;

(c) Making it a requirement that each employee to be engaged in the performance of the grant to be given a copy of the statement required by paragraph (a);

(d) Notifying the employee in the statement required by paragraph (a) that, as a condition of employment under the grant, the employee will:

- (1) Abide by the terms of the statement and
- (2) Notify the employee in writing of his or her conviction for a violation of a criminal drug statute occurring in the workplace no later than five calendar days after such conviction.

(e) Notifying the agency, in writing within 10 calendar days after receiving notice under subparagraph (d)(2) from an employee or otherwise receiving actual notice of such conviction. Employers of convicted employees must provide notice, including position title, to the applicable DHS awarding office, i.e. regional office or DHS office.

(f) Taking one of the following actions, against such an employee, within 30 calendar days of receiving notice under subparagraph (d)(2), with respect to any employee who is so convicted:

- (1) Taking appropriate personnel action against such an employee, up to and including termination, consistent with the requirements of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended; or
- (2) Requiring such employee to participate satisfactorily in a drug abuse assistance or rehabilitation program approved for such purposes by a Federal, State, or local health, law enforcement or other appropriate agency.

(g) Making a good faith effort to continue to maintain a drug free workplace through implementation of paragraphs (a), (b), (c), (d), (e), and (f).

(B) The grantee may insert in the space provided below the site(s) for the performance of work done in connection with the specific grant:

Place of Performance

Street	City	State	Zip	Action
11616 Rainroad Road	Omaha	Nebraska	68142 -5184	

If your place of performance is different from the physical address provided by you in the Applicant Information, press *Add Place of Performance* button above to ensure that the correct place of performance has been specified. You can add multiple addresses by repeating this process multiple times.

Section 17.630 of the regulations provide that a grantee that is a State may elect to make one certification in each Federal fiscal year. A copy of which should be included with each application for DHS funding. States and State agencies may elect to use a Statewide certification.

Signed by **Melanie Bates** on **12/04/2013**

FEMA Standard Form LLL

Only complete if applying for a grant for more than \$100,000 and have lobbying activities. See Form 20-16C for lobbying activities definition.

Submit Application

Application 100% complete, Submitted

Please click on any of the following links to visit a particular section of your application. Once all areas of your application are complete, you may submit your application.

Application Area	Status
Overview	Complete
Contact Information	Complete
Applicant Information	Complete
Applicant Characteristics (I)	Complete
Applicant Characteristics (II)	Complete
Department Call Volume	Complete
Request Information	Complete
Request Details	Complete
Budget	Complete
Assurances and Certifications	Complete

PLEASE READ THE FOLLOWING STATEMENTS BEFORE YOU SUBMIT.

- **YOU WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO EDIT THIS APPLICATION ONCE IT HAS BEEN SUBMITTED.** If you are not yet ready to submit this application, save it, and log out until you feel that you have no more changes.
- **When you submit this application, you, as an authorized representative of the organization applying for this grant, are certifying that the following statements are true:**

To the best of my knowledge and belief, all data submitted in this application are true and correct.

This application has been duly authorized by the governing body of the applicant and the applicant will comply to the Assurances and Certifications if assistance is awarded.

To sign your application, check the box below and enter your password in the space provided. To submit your application, click the Submit Application button below to officially submit your application to FEMA.

Note: The primary contact will be responsible for signing and submitting the application. Fields marked with an * are required.

I, Melanie J Bates, am hereby providing my signature for this application as of 06-Dec-2013.