



STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE



GOVERNOR'S OFFICE
for

EMERGENCY RELIEF AND RECOVERY

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February 27, 2024

His Excellency, Governor Christopher T. Sununu
And the Honorable Council
State House
Concord, New Hampshire 03301

REQUESTED ACTION

Authorize the Governor's Office for Emergency Relief and Recovery (GOFERR) to accept and expend \$52,553 in American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) State Fiscal Recovery Funds (SFRF) to support the Professional Fire Fighters of New Hampshire in order to provide cancer screenings to New Hampshire's first responders, effective upon approval of the Governor and Executive Council through June 30, 2025. This is an allowable use of American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) State Fiscal Recovery Funds (SFRF) under Section 602(c)(1)(A) to respond to the public health emergency or its negative economic impacts. **100% Federal Funds.**

Funds are to be budgeted as follows:

01-02-002-020210-24690000[1] ARP GRANTS AND DISBURSEMENTS		<u>FY2024</u>	<u>FY2024</u>	<u>FY2024</u>
<u>CLASS</u>	<u>ACCOUNT</u>	<u>CURRENT MODIFIED BUDGET</u>	<u>BUDGET REQUEST</u>	<u>REVISED BUDGET</u>
EXPENDITURES				
040 - Indirect Costs	501587	\$172,605	\$2,500	\$175,105
041 - Audit Fund Set Aside	500801	\$218,775	\$53	\$218,828
042 - Additional Fringe Benefits	500620	\$60,500	\$0	\$60,500
072 - Grants Federal	500575	\$79,922,590	\$50,000	\$79,972,590
085 - Interagency Xfr Out of Fed Fn	588510	\$14,069,613	\$0	\$14,069,613
103 - Contracts for Op Services	502664	\$8,819,640	\$0	\$8,819,640
TOTAL EXPENSES		\$103,263,723	\$52,553	\$103,316,276
SOURCE OF FUNDS				
000 - Federal Funds	400338	\$103,263,723	\$52,553	\$103,316,276
TOTAL REVENUE		\$103,263,723	\$52,553	\$103,316,276

⁽¹⁾ All direct program costs will be accounted for using activity 00FRF602PH0231A and all administrative and indirect costs will be accounted for using activity 00FRF602PH0231Z. Accounting classifications may be subject to technical changes at the discretion of the Department of Administrative Services' Division of Accounting Services.

EXPLANATION

Research conducted by the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health shows firefighters have a 14% higher risk of dying from cancer than the general population. In fact, occupational cancer recently surpassed heart attacks as the leading cause of line-of-duty deaths in the fire service. In 2019, more than 75% of the names added to the International Association of Fire Fighters Fallen Fire Fighter Memorial were of members who died from occupational cancer.

This award will offer screenings to fire fighters who register and attend the PFFNH Biennial Convention in May of this year. Routine cancer screenings promote early detection and offer potentially life-saving interventions for firefighters, while reducing long-term costs to employers, employees, and insurance risk pool providers.

Funds for this award are made available through ARPA SFRF funding that has been reallocated from programs that did not expend their entire award amount. This is an allowable use of American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) State Fiscal Recovery Funds (SFRF) under Section 602(c)(1)(A) to respond to the public health emergency or its negative economic impacts.

Funds are to be budgeted as follows:

Class 040 – Indirect Costs to recover, per RSA 21-I:75, a proportional share of the outside funding source to alleviate central service costs.

Class 041 - Audit Fund Set Aside to comply with RSA 124:16 that requires all agencies that receive federal funds to set aside a percentage (0.1%) of the federal revenue amount received to pay for financial and compliance audits.

Class 072- Grants Federal to provide funding for an award as described above.

In the event that Federal Funds become no longer available, General Funds will not be requested to support this program.

Respectfully submitted,



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