



CITY OF GLENDALE, CALIFORNIA REPORT TO THE CITY COUNCIL

AGENDA ITEM

Report: Acceptance of funding from the United States Department of Homeland Security, 2020 State Homeland Security Grant Program (SHSGP), in the amount of \$49,000.

1. Motion to approve the Glendale Fire Department's participation in the FY 2020 State Home Security Program (SHSP) Grant Subaward and to authorize the City Manager to accept grant funds in the amount of \$49,000, and to execute the necessary agreements, certifications, and other documents required to accept the grant funds..
2. Approve Resolution of Appropriation.

COUNCIL ACTION

Item Type: Consent Calendar

Approved for July 12, 2022 **calendar**

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Glendale Fire Department initially has received \$25,000 in funding from the 2020 State Homeland Security Program (SHSP) to purchase medical tactical equipment and to provide Mobex training. Additionally, \$24,000 was received to provide up to three 8' tall x 8' wide x 10' long steel containers with interior shelving, and basic disaster response and recovery equipment to be utilized in selected communities. There are no cost or matching funds needed from the City.

The communities identified have the potential of being isolated during a large-scale disaster or severely impacted due to having significant population vulnerabilities. The Glendale Fire Department proposes supplying the communities of south Glendale/Adams Hill, Glenoaks Canyon, and Whiting Woods with these containers and equipment. Those who are trained as Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) members may use this equipment to perform important tasks during a disaster. These tasks may include light search and rescue, team organization, fire safety, and disaster medical operations. Equipment will be kept inside of the locked steel containers with access given to selected CERT members

COUNCIL PRIORITIES

Safe and Healthy Community; CERT builds stronger communities and the addition of equipment to support CERT will promote community engagement and resiliency.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the City Council approve:

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BACKGROUND

The projects associated with the SHSGP grant program are for the purposes of continuing efforts to strengthen capabilities and enhance public safety and preparedness efforts within Glendale and the region. These projects are part of the Los Angeles Operational Area's regional funding priorities and have been vetted through the Los Angeles Area Fire Chief's Association, the Los Angeles County Police Chief's Association, and the County of Los Angeles Office of Homeland Security. All projects have been approved by the State of California Office of Emergency Services Homeland Security authorizing branch.

The Glendale CERT program has trained over 500 residents and continues to conduct disaster preparedness training on a regular basis. In the event of a disaster, a CERT Team response will free up first-responders to focus on life-saving tasks. This project will build community resiliency by promoting CERT training that will bring community members together and help them plan and prepare for an emergency.

ANALYSIS

The City has been successful in obtaining \$49,000 under the State Homeland Security Grant Program (SHSGP). These grant funds are allocated between the County of Los Angeles and those cities recognized by the County of Los Angeles Operational Area (OA), including the City of Glendale. The grant is administered by the County of Los Angeles. These funds are available for purchases of approved equipment, supplies, and for the training of first responders that meet identified national, state, county, and local priorities. 95% of all rescues in times of disaster or national emergency are performed by spontaneous rescuers. This means that neighbors will rely on neighbors for basic life needs including securing homes, providing shelter, managing medical needs, and communicating with first responders regarding community needs. Communities that have CERT trained members will benefit from having access to an equipment cache that can be used to accomplish these tasks.

STAKEHOLDERS/OUTREACH

Contact with community leaders has been made with positive feedback provided. The community leadership understands that they will have access to these containers and may be responsible for ensuring that the containers are inspected on a regular basis. Community Services and Parks and Public Works have been consulted regarding the site locations and will continue to be involved in the process.

FISCAL IMPACT

The SHSP grant in the amount of \$49,000, was not included as a part of the FY 2022-23 approved budget. Therefore, staff is requesting for an appropriation of \$49,000 from grant revenue. The appropriation request is outlined below.

Requesting Appropriations			
Account	From	To	Fund Description
GL:31240-2650-GFD-0020-P0000 PL:GFD00808AG	\$49,000		Fire Grant Fund
GL:51000-2650-GFD-0020-P0000 PL: GFD00808AG		\$24,000	Fire Grant Fund
GL:45350-2650-GFD-0020-P0000 PL: GFD00808AG		\$25,000	Fire Grant Fund

ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW (CEQA/NEPA)

Please consult with your department's attorney to fill out this section

CAMPAIGN DISCLOSURE

This item is exempt from campaign disclosure requirements.

ALTERNATIVES

1. Approve the motion accepting grant funding and resolution of appropriation
2. Pursue funding a similar project without the use of these funds

ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION

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Approved by:

Roubik R. Golanian, P.E., City Manager

EXHIBITS/ATTACHMENTS

Exhibit 1: Proposed CERT equipment container