

PALM BEACH COUNTY  
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

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Meeting Date:	January 26, 2016	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Consent	<input type="checkbox"/> Regular
		<input type="checkbox"/> Workshop	<input type="checkbox"/> Public Hearing

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Department:	Fire-Rescue
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I. EXECUTIVE BRIEF

**Motion and Title:** Staff recommends motion to ratify: **A)** a FY2015 Assistance to Firefighters Grant (AFG) grant application submitted to the U.S. Department of Homeland Security's (DHS), Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) on January 4, 2016, requesting \$563,506 to fund approximately 85% of the purchase of 38 automatic chest compression devices; and **B)** the Mayor's designation of the County Administrator, or her designee (Deputy Chief Thomas Tolbert), to act as the County's representative for the purpose of electronically signing and submitting the FY2015 AFG grant application, including Applicant Acknowledgements, and Assurances and Certifications via the DHS FEMA website. If the grant is awarded, the grant's term will be twelve months from the date of award.

**Summary:** This grant application requests \$563,506 from DHS FEMA for the purchase of 38 automatic chest compression devices. The total project cost identified in this grant application is \$663,708. The required match for this grant is \$60,337 (10%), although the County has committed to a voluntary overmatch of an additional \$39,865. The entire match (\$100,202) will be funded from Fire Rescue's contingency reserve.


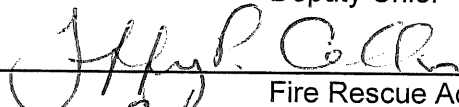
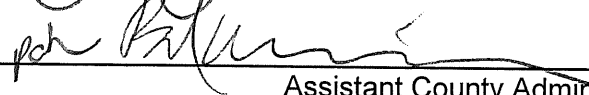
In 2014, 14% of medical calls responded to by Palm Beach County Fire Rescue were cardiac arrests. This grant application is to purchase automatic chest compression devices that perform mechanical compressions on a patient, thus preventing possible fatigue or interruptions that may be experienced by rescue personnel. If awarded, this grant will provide funding to purchase automatic chest compression devices so that every Advanced Life Support (ALS) rescue unit will be equipped with one of these life saving devices. Countywide (SB)

**Background and Justification:** The FY2015 AFG Program is a competitive grant program designed to enhance the safety of the public and firefighters with respect to fire and fire-related hazards by providing direct financial assistance to eligible fire departments, nonaffiliated EMS organizations, and State Fire Training Academies for critically needed resources to equip and train emergency personnel to recognized standards, enhance operational efficiencies, foster interoperability, and support community resilience.

The AFG Program requires submission of grant applications by electronic format in order to assure an efficient review and competitive scoring of all funding requests submitted under this program. The deadline for submission of this grant application to the grantor agency was 5:00 p.m. on January 15, 2016. Due to the preparation time, submittal deadlines, and BCC meeting dates, the grant application had to be submitted prior to full Board approval. Pursuant to Section 309.00 of the Palm Beach County Administrative Code, the Mayor approved this grant application, which now must be ratified by the Board. The grant application includes certifications of compliance with required assurances and certifications, as stated in the application and related program guidance.

- Attachments:**
- 1. FY2015 AFG grant application and related documentation
  - 2. Approval memo signed by the Mayor

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Recommended by:		1/6/16
	Deputy Chief	Date
Approved by:		1/7/2016
	Fire Rescue Administrator	Date
Approved by:		1/20/16
	Assistant County Administrator	Date

## II. FISCAL IMPACT ANALYSIS

### A. Five Year Summary of Fiscal Impact:

Fiscal Years	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Capital Expenditures	<u>663,708</u>	_____	_____	_____	_____
Operating Costs	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
External Revenues	<u>(563,506)</u>	_____	_____	_____	_____
Program Income (County)	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
In-Kind Match (County)	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
<b>NET FISCAL IMPACT</b>	<u><b>100,202</b></u>	_____	_____	_____	_____
<b># ADDITIONAL FTE POSITIONS (Cumulative)</b>	<u><b>0</b></u>	_____	_____	_____	_____

Is Item Included in Proposed Budget? Yes \_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_

Budget Account No.: Fund \_\_\_\_ Dept \_\_\_\_ Unit \_\_\_\_ Rev Source \_\_\_\_

### B. Recommended Sources of Funds/Summary of Fiscal Impact:

There is no Fiscal Impact at this time. Should the grant be awarded, a budget amendment will be brought to the Board for approval. The respective funding source will be from the Fire Rescue Main MSTU (Fund 1300) contingency reserves for the required grant match \$60,337 and the additional funding commitment \$39,865.

C. Departmental Fiscal Review: *Mitchell*

## III. REVIEW COMMENTS

### A. OFMB Fiscal and/or Contract Development and Control Comments:

*Sheng Bm*  
OFMB <sup>KPS</sup> 1/11

*D. J. Jacoby* 1/15/16  
Contract Development and Control  
*B. Whelan -13416*

### B. Legal Sufficiency

*Sheng Bm* 1/15/16  
Assistant County Attorney

### C. Other Department Review:

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Department Director

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