

PALM BEACH COUNTY
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

Meeting Date: April 6, 2021 [X] Consent [] Regular
[] Workshop [] Public Hearing

Department: Fire Rescue

I. EXECUTIVE BRIEF

Motion and Title: Staff recommends motion to ratify:

- A) a FY 2020 Assistance to Firefighters Grant (AFG) application electronically submitted to the U.S. Department of Homeland Security's (DHS) Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) on February 12, 2021, requesting \$1,484,815.45 to fund 90% of the purchase of 76 Lifepak cardiac monitor/defibrillators (version 4), for a term beginning twelve months from the date of award; and
- B) the designation of the County Administrator, or designee, to act as the County's representative for the purpose of electronically signing and submitting the FY 2020 AFG grant application, including Assurances and Certifications via the DHS FEMA website.

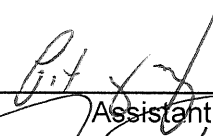
Summary: This grant application requests \$1,484,815.45 from DHS FEMA for the purchase of 76 Lifepak cardiac monitor/defibrillators (version 4) which will replace the department's obsolete cardiac monitors. The total project cost identified in the grant application is \$1,633,297. The required match for this grant is \$148,481.55 (10% of the federal share), which will be funded from Fire Rescue's contingency reserve.


If awarded, the grant will provide funding to replace the current fleet of cardiac monitors that are currently obsolete and no longer available for repair. The cardiac monitor is an integral piece of equipment used on most emergencies that Fire Rescue personnel mitigate. The monitor allows rescue personnel to diagnose and treat patients during medical emergencies and transfers the information to the patient care reporting system, which improves efficiency and transmits lifesaving data to the receiving hospital. Due to the preparation time, submittal deadlines, and BCC meeting dates, the grant application had to be submitted prior to full Board approval. Countywide (SB)

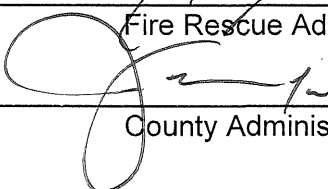
Background and Justification: The FY 2020 AFG Program is a competitive grant program designed to enhance the safety of the public and firefighters with respect to fire and fire-related hazards by providing direct financial assistance to eligible fire departments, nonaffiliated EMS organizations, and 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 February 12, 2021. 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. If the grant is awarded and the cardiac monitors are purchased, the annual maintenance cost for each unit is estimated to be \$1,600 annually, and is not expected to have any additional fiscal impact as they will replace older units.

- Attachments:**
1. FY 2020 AFG application and related documentation
 2. Approval memo

Recommended by:  3-22-2021
Assistant Fire Chief Date

Approved by:  3/22/2021
Fire Rescue Administrator Date

Approved by:  3/29/21
County Administrator Date

II. FISCAL IMPACT ANALYSIS

A. Five Year Summary of Fiscal Impact:

Fiscal Years	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Capital Expenditures	<u>1,633,297</u>	_____	_____	_____	_____
Operating Costs	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
External Revenues	<u>(1,484,815)</u>	_____	_____	_____	_____
Program Income (County)	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
In-Kind Match (County)	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
NET FISCAL IMPACT	<u>*148,482</u>	_____	_____	_____	_____
# ADDITIONAL FTE POSITIONS (Cumulative)	<u>0</u>	_____	_____	_____	_____

Is Item Included in Proposed Budget? Yes ___ No X
 Does this item include the use of federal funds Yes X 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 funding source for the required match of \$148,482 will be from the Fire Rescue MSTU (Fund 1300) contingency reserves.

C. Departmental Fiscal Review: match grant

III. REVIEW COMMENTS

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

<p><u>Liz Mente 3/24/21</u> OFMB <u>AP 3/24 LM 3/24</u></p>	<p><u>Dr. J. Jacobson 3/26/21</u> Contract Development and Control 3-26-21 TW</p>
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B. Legal Sufficiency

for S. Burrows
3/26/2021
 Assistant County Attorney

C. Other Department Review:

 Department Director