

PALM BEACH COUNTY
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

Meeting Date:	April 4, 2023	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Consent	<input type="checkbox"/> Regular
		<input type="checkbox"/> Workshop	<input type="checkbox"/> Public Hearing
Department:	Fire Rescue		

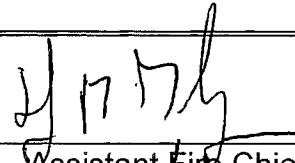
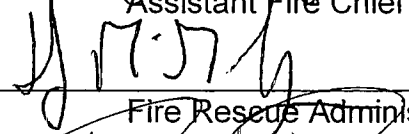
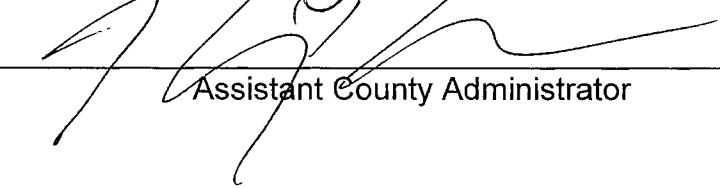
I. EXECUTIVE BRIEF

Motion and Title: Staff recommends motion to Receive and File: an Amendment Memo to the U.S. Department of Homeland Security Federal Emergency Management Agency ("FEMA"), FY2021 Staffing for Adequate Fire and Emergency Response Grant ("SAFER") Program Agreement No. EMW-2021-FF-00908 modifying the performance period from March 14, 2023 through March 13, 2026 to January 9, 2023 through January 8, 2026.

Summary: On November 15, 2022 (Agenda Item 3S1), the Board accepted a SAFER grant award from FEMA for a period of March 14, 2023 through March 13, 2026, and delegated authority to the County Administrator, or designee, to accept, approve, execute and submit certain grant documents including time frame changes. Palm Beach county Fire Rescue ("PBCFR") requested an amendment to the Period of Performance to coincide with the start date of a Recruit Academy. After FEMA reviewed and approved the amendment, PBCFR received the attached Amendment Memo and related grant documents modifying the performance period and indicating that the County's signature is not required. This Amendment Memo is now being submitted to the Board to receive and file. **Countywide (SB)**

Background and Justification: The SAFER grant was accepted for the staffing of 18 new firefighters to staff a 4-person Advanced Life Support engine at new Fire Station 40. The focus of the SAFER Program is to enhance the safety of the public and firefighters with respect to fire and fire-related hazards.

Attachments:
Amendment Memo

Recommended by:		3-10-23
	Assistant Fire Chief	Date
Approved by:		3-10-23
	Fire Rescue Administrator	Date
Approved by:		3/21/23
	Assistant County Administrator	Date

II. FISCAL IMPACT ANALYSIS

A. Five Year Summary of Fiscal Impact:

Fiscal Years	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027
Capital Expenditures	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Operating Costs	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
External Revenues	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Program Income (County)	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
In-Kind Match (County)	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
NET FISCAL IMPACT	* _____	_____	_____	_____	_____
# ADDITIONAL FTE POSITIONS (Cumulative)	0 _____	_____	_____	_____	_____

Is Item Included in Current Budget? Yes _____ No X
 Does this item include the use of federal funds Yes X No _____

Budget Account No.: Fund 1300 Dept 440 Unit 4318 Object _____

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

* There is no fiscal impact associated with this item

C. Departmental Fiscal Review: *[Signature]*

III. REVIEW COMMENTS

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

for review developed 5/8/23
ASDC 3/13/23
 OFMB *QA 318* LM 3/13

[Signature] 3/16/23
 Contract Dev. and Control
for 3/15/23

B. Legal Sufficiency

[Signature] 3/20/23
 Assistant County Attorney

C. Other Department Review:

 Department Director

(THIS SUMMARY IS NOT TO BE USED AS A BASIS FOR PAYMENT.)

Amendment Memo

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

Effective date: 02/08/2023



FEMA has made an amendment to your award: EMW-2021-FF-00908. The change to your grant was reviewed and is hereby approved as specified below. All other terms and conditions of the grant remain unchanged.

Period of performance amendment

FEMA has reviewed the possible change to the period of performance. After careful consideration and a thorough review of the supporting documentation and justification(s), the extension has been approved. Here are the approved dates for the extension:

- New period of performance: from 01/09/2023 through 01/08/2026.
 - Changed from: 03/14/2023 through 03/13/2026
- New liquidation deadline: 05/08/2026.
 - Changed from: 07/11/2026
- New closeout reporting deadline: 05/08/2026.
 - Changed from: 07/11/2026

Your amended award package is included below. The amended award package incorporates changes approved in this amendment as well as any previously approved amendments.

Award Letter

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

Effective date: 02/08/2023



Michael Martz
COUNTY OF PALM BEACH
P O BOX 4036
WEST PALM BEACH, FL 33402
EMW-2021-FF-00908

Dear Michael Martz,

Congratulations on behalf of the Department of Homeland Security. Your application submitted for the Fiscal Year (FY) 2021 Staffing for Adequate Fire and Emergency Response (SAFER) Grant funding opportunity has been approved in the amount of \$5,044,428.00 in Federal funding.

FEMA has waived, in part or in full, one or more requirements for this grant award. See the Summary Award Memo for additional information about Economic Hardship Waivers.

Before you request and receive any of the Federal funds awarded to you, you must establish acceptance of the award through the FEMA Grants Outcomes (FEMA GO) system. By accepting this award, you acknowledge that the terms of the following documents are incorporated into the terms of your award:

- Summary Award Memo - included in this document
- Agreement Articles - included in this document
- Obligating Document - included in this document
- 2021 SAFER Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) - incorporated by reference

Please make sure you read, understand, and maintain a copy of these documents in your official file for this award.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that appears to read "P. Williams".

PAMELA WILLIAMS
Assistant Administrator, Grant Programs

Summary Award Memo

Program: Fiscal Year 2021 Staffing for Adequate Fire and Emergency Response
Recipient: COUNTY OF PALM BEACH
UEI-EFT: XL2DNFMPCR44
DUNS number: 078470481
Award number: EMW-2021-FF-00908

Summary description of award

The purpose of the SAFER Grant Program is to provide funding directly to fire departments and volunteer firefighter interest organizations to assist in increasing the number of firefighters to help communities meet industry minimum standards and attain 24-hour staffing to provide adequate protection from fire and fire-related hazards, and to fulfill traditional missions of fire departments. After careful consideration, FEMA has determined that the recipient's project or projects 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 SAFER Grant Program's purpose and was worthy of award.

Except as otherwise approved as noted in the original award and approved amendments, the information you provided in your application for Fiscal Year (FY) 2021 Staffing for Adequate Fire and Emergency Response (SAFER) funding is incorporated into the terms and conditions of this award. This includes any documents submitted as part of the application.

Approved Economic Hardship Waivers

Position cost limit waiver

FEMA has waived the position cost limit requirement for this grant award. Costs are limited to the approved budget per position.

Cost share waiver

FEMA has waived the cost share requirement for this grant award. You are not required to contribute non-Federal funds for this grant award. The recipient is responsible for any costs that exceed the Federal funding provided for this grant award.

Minimum budget waiver

FEMA has waived the minimum budget requirement for this award.

Non-supplanting waiver

FEMA has waived the non-supplanting requirement for this award. SAFER grant funds may be used to replace funds that would be available from State or local sources or from the Bureau of Indian Affairs.

Amount awarded

The amount of the award is detailed in the attached Obligating Document for Award. The cost share amounts described in this award letter are based on the approved total project cost; however, the Federal funding available is limited based on the applicable position cost limit and the applicable cost share as applied to actual costs.

The following are the total approved budgeted estimates for object classes for all funded firefighter positions for this amended award (including Federal share plus your cost share, if applicable, as applied to the estimated costs):

Object Class	First Year	Second Year	Third Year	Total
Personnel	\$941,778.00	\$1,018,530.00	\$1,101,546.00	\$3,061,854.00
Fringe benefits	\$634,410.00	\$660,168.00	\$687,996.00	\$1,982,574.00
Travel	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Equipment	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Supplies	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Contractual	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Construction	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Other	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Indirect charges	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Federal	\$1,576,188.00	\$1,678,698.00	\$1,789,542.00	\$5,044,428.00
Non-federal	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Total	\$1,576,188.00	\$1,678,698.00	\$1,789,542.00	\$5,044,428.00
Program Income				\$0.00

Approved scope of work

FEMA has approved the following scope of work. Differences between the approved scope of work in this amendment and the previously approved scope of work are justified below. You must submit scope or budget revision requests for FEMA's prior approval, via an amendment request, as appropriate per 2 C.F.R. § 200.308 and the FY2021 SAFER NOFO.

Approved request details:

Hiring of Firefighters

New, Additional Firefighter(s)

BENEFITS FUNDED

FICA, Medicare, Insurance, Sick Leave, FRS (retirement)

NUMBER OF FIREFIGHTERS

18

	ANNUAL SALARY PRICE	ANNUAL BENEFITS	TOTAL PER FIREFIGHTER
Year 1	\$52,321.00	\$35,245.00	\$87,566.00
Year 2	\$56,585.00	\$36,676.00	\$93,261.00
Year 3	\$61,197.00	\$38,222.00	\$99,419.00
3 Year Total	\$5,044,428.00		

Agreement Articles

Program: Fiscal Year 2021 Staffing for Adequate Fire and Emergency Response

Recipient: COUNTY OF PALM BEACH

UEI-EFT: XL2DNFMPCR44

DUNS number: 078470481

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Article 1 Assurances, Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, Representations and Certifications I. DHS financial assistance recipients must complete either the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Standard Form 424B Assurances – Non-Construction Programs, or OMB Standard Form 424D Assurances – Construction Programs, as applicable. Certain assurances in these documents may not be applicable to your program, and the DHS financial assistance office (DHS FAO) may require applicants to certify additional assurances. Applicants are required to fill out the assurances as instructed by the awarding agency. II. DHS financial assistance recipients are required to follow the applicable provisions of the Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards located at Title 2, Code of Federal Regulations (C.F.R.) Part 200 and adopted by DHS at 2 C.F.R. Part 3002. III. By accepting this agreement, recipients, and their executives, as defined in 2 C.F.R. § 170.315, certify that their policies are in accordance with OMB's guidance located at 2 C.F.R. Part 200, all applicable federal laws, and relevant Executive guidance.

Article 2 General Acknowledgements and Assurances All recipients, subrecipients, successors, transferees, and assignees must acknowledge and agree to comply with applicable provisions governing DHS access to records, accounts, documents, information, facilities, and staff. I. Recipients must cooperate with any DHS compliance reviews or compliance investigations conducted by DHS. II. Recipients must give DHS access to examine and copy records, accounts, and other documents and sources of information related to the federal financial assistance award and permit access to facilities or personnel. III. Recipients must submit timely, complete, and accurate reports to the appropriate DHS officials and maintain appropriate backup documentation to support the reports. IV. Recipients must comply with all other special reporting, data collection, and evaluation requirements, as prescribed by law, or detailed in program guidance. V. Recipients (as defined in 2 C.F.R. Part 200 and including recipients acting as pass-through entities) of federal financial assistance from DHS or one of its awarding component agencies must complete the DHS Civil Rights Evaluation Tool within thirty (30) days of receipt of the Notice of Award for the first award under which this term applies. Recipients of multiple awards of DHS financial assistance should only submit one completed tool for their organization, not per award. After the initial submission, recipients are required to complete the tool once every two (2) years if they have an active award, not every time an award is made. Recipients should submit the completed tool, including supporting materials, to CivilRightsEvaluation@hq.dhs.gov. This tool clarifies the civil rights obligations and related reporting requirements contained in the DHS Standard Terms and Conditions. Subrecipients are not required to complete and submit this tool to DHS. The evaluation tool can be found at <https://www.dhs.gov/publication/dhs-civil-rights-evaluation-tool>. The DHS Office for Civil Rights and Civil Liberties will consider, in its discretion, granting an extension if the recipient identifies steps and a timeline for completing the tool. Recipients should request extensions by emailing the request to CivilRightsEvaluation@hq.dhs.gov prior to expiration of the 30-day deadline.

Article 3 Acknowledgement of Federal Funding from DHS Recipients must acknowledge their use of federal funding when issuing statements, press releases, requests for proposal, bid invitations, and other documents describing projects or programs funded in whole or in part with federal funds.

Article 4	Activities Conducted Abroad Recipients must ensure that project activities performed outside the United States are coordinated as necessary with appropriate government authorities and that appropriate licenses, permits, or approvals are obtained.
Article 5	Age Discrimination Act of 1975 Recipients must comply with the requirements of the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, Public Law 94-135 (1975) (codified as amended at Title 42, U.S. Code, § 6101 et seq.), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of age in any program or activity receiving federal financial assistance.
Article 6	Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 Recipients must comply with the requirements of Titles I, II, and III of the Americans with Disabilities Act, Pub. L. 101-336 (1990) (codified as amended at 42 U.S.C. §§ 12101- 12213), 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.
Article 7	Best Practices for Collection and Use of Personally Identifiable Information Recipients who collect personally identifiable information (PII) are required to have a publicly available privacy policy that describes standards on the usage and maintenance of the PII they collect. DHS defines PII as any information that permits the identity of an individual to be directly or indirectly inferred, including any information that is linked or linkable to that individual. Recipients may also find the DHS Privacy Impact Assessments: Privacy Guidance and Privacy Template as useful resources respectively.
Article 8	Civil Rights Act of 1964 – Title VI Recipients must comply with the requirements of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (codified as amended at 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. DHS implementing regulations for the Act are found at 6 C.F.R. Part 21 and 44 C.F.R. Part 7.
Article 9	Civil Rights Act of 1968 Recipients must comply with Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968, Pub. L. 90-284, as amended through Pub. L. 113-4, 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 (see 42 U.S.C. § 3601 et seq.), as implemented by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development at 24 C.F.R. 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 C.F.R. Part 100, Subpart D.)
Article 10	Copyright Recipients must affix the applicable copyright notices of 17 U.S.C. §§ 401 or 402 and an acknowledgement of U.S. Government sponsorship (including the award number) to any work first produced under federal financial assistance awards.

Article 11 Debarment and Suspension Recipients are subject to the non-procurement debarment and suspension regulations implementing Executive Orders (E.O.) 12549 and 12689, which are at 2 C.F.R. Part 180 as adopted by DHS at 2 C.F.R. Part 3002. These regulations restrict federal financial assistance awards, subawards, and contracts with certain parties that are debarred, suspended, or otherwise excluded from or ineligible for participation in federal assistance programs or activities.

Article 12 Drug-Free Workplace Regulations Recipients must comply with drug-free workplace requirements in Subpart B (or Subpart C, if the recipient is an individual) of 2 C.F.R. Part 3001, which adopts the Government-wide implementation (2 C.F.R. Part 182) of Sec. 5152-5158 of the Drug-Free Workplace Act of 1988 (41 U.S.C. §§ 8101-8106).

Article 13 Duplication of Benefits Any cost allocable to a particular federal financial assistance award provided for in 2 C.F.R. Part 200, Subpart E may not be charged to other federal financial assistance awards to overcome fund deficiencies; to avoid restrictions imposed by federal statutes, regulations, or federal financial assistance award terms and conditions; or for other reasons. However, these prohibitions would not preclude recipients from shifting costs that are allowable under two or more awards in accordance with existing federal statutes, regulations, or the federal financial assistance award terms and conditions.

Article 14 Education Amendments of 1972 (Equal Opportunity in Education Act) – Title IX Recipients must comply with the requirements of Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, Pub. L. 92-318 (1972) (codified as amended at 20 U.S.C. § 1681 et seq.), which provide 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. DHS implementing regulations are codified at 6 C.F.R. Part 17 and 44 C.F.R. Part 19.

Article 15 Energy Policy and Conservation Act Recipients must comply with the requirements of the Energy Policy and Conservation Act, Pub. L. 94- 163 (1975) (codified as amended at 42 U.S.C. § 6201 et seq.), which contain policies relating to energy efficiency that are defined in the state energy conservation plan issued in compliance with this Act.

Article 16 False Claims Act and Program Fraud Civil Remedies Recipients must comply with the requirements of the False Claims Act, 31 U.S.C. §§3729- 3733, which prohibit the submission of false or fraudulent claims for payment to the Federal Government. (See 31 U.S.C. §§ 3801-3812, which details the administrative remedies for false claims and statements made.)

Article 17 Federal Debt Status All recipients are required to be non-delinquent in their repayment of any federal debt. Examples of relevant debt include delinquent payroll and other taxes, audit disallowances, and benefit overpayments. (See OMB Circular A-129.)

Article 18	Federal Leadership on Reducing Text Messaging while Driving Recipients are encouraged to adopt and enforce policies that ban text messaging while driving as described in E.O. 13513, including conducting initiatives described in Section 3(a) of the Order when on official government business or when performing any work for or on behalf of the Federal Government.
Article 19	Fly America Act of 1974 Recipients must comply with Preference for U.S. Flag Air Carriers (air carriers holding certificates under 49 U.S.C.) 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. § 40118, and the interpretative guidelines issued by the Comptroller General of the United States in the March 31, 1981, amendment to Comptroller General Decision B-138942.
Article 20	Hotel and Motel Fire Safety Act of 1990 Recipients must ensure that all conference, meeting, convention, or training space funded in whole or in part with federal funds complies with the fire prevention and control guidelines of Section 6 of the Hotel and Motel Fire Safety Act of 1990, 15 U.S.C. § 2225a
Article 21	John S. McCain National Defense Authorization Act of Fiscal Year 2019 Recipients, subrecipients, and their contractors and subcontractors are subject to the prohibitions described in section 889 of the John S. McCain National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2019, Pub. L. No. 115-232 (2018) and 2 C.F.R. §§ 200.216, 200.327, 200.471, and Appendix II to 2 C.F.R. Part 200. Beginning August 13, 2020, the statute – as it applies to DHS recipients, subrecipients, and their contractors and subcontractors – prohibits obligating or expending federal award funds on certain telecommunications and video surveillance products and contracting with certain entities for national security reasons
Article 22	Limited English Proficiency (Civil Rights Act of 1964, Title VI) Recipients must comply with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, (42 U.S.C. § 2000d et seq.) prohibition against discrimination on the basis of national origin, which requires that recipients of federal financial assistance take reasonable steps to provide meaningful access to persons with limited English proficiency (LEP) to their programs and services. For additional assistance and information regarding language access obligations, please refer to the DHS Recipient Guidance: https://www.dhs.gov/guidance-published-help-department-supported-organizations-provide-meaningful-access-people-limited and additional resources on http://www.lep.gov .
Article 23	Lobbying Prohibitions Recipients must comply with 31 U.S.C. § 1352, which provides that none of the funds provided under a federal financial assistance 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 related to a federal award or contract, including any extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification.

Article 24	National Environmental Policy Act Recipients must comply with the requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, (NEPA) Pub. L. 91-190 (1970) (codified as amended at 42 U.S.C. § 4321 et seq. and the Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ) Regulations for Implementing the Procedural Provisions of NEPA, which require recipients to use all practicable means within their authority, and consistent with other essential considerations of national policy, to create and maintain conditions under which people and nature can exist in productive harmony and fulfill the social, economic, and other needs of present and future generations of Americans
Article 25	Nondiscrimination in Matters Pertaining to Faith-Based Organizations It is DHS policy to ensure the equal treatment of faith-based organizations in social service programs administered or supported by DHS or its component agencies, enabling those organizations to participate in providing important social services to beneficiaries. Recipients must comply with the equal treatment policies and requirements contained in 6 C.F.R. Part 19 and other applicable statutes, regulations, and guidance governing the participations of faith- based organizations in individual DHS programs.
Article 26	Non-Supplanting Requirement Recipients receiving federal financial assistance awards made under programs that prohibit supplanting by law must ensure that federal funds do not replace (supplant) funds that have been budgeted for the same purpose through non-federal sources.
Article 27	Notice of Funding Opportunity Requirements All the instructions, guidance, limitations, and other conditions set forth in the Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) for this program are incorporated here by reference in the award terms and conditions. All recipients must comply with any such requirements set forth in the program NOFO.
Article 28	Patents and Intellectual Property Rights Recipients are subject to the Bayh-Dole Act, 35 U.S.C. § 200 et seq, unless otherwise provided by law. Recipients are subject to the specific requirements governing the development, reporting, and disposition of rights to inventions and patents resulting from federal financial assistance awards located at 37 C.F.R. Part 401 and the standard patent rights clause located at 37 C.F.R. § 401.14.
Article 29	Procurement of Recovered Materials States, political subdivisions of states, and their contractors must comply with Section 6002 of the Solid Waste Disposal Act, Pub. L. 89-272 (1965), (codified as amended by the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act, 42 U.S.C. § 6962.) The requirements of Section 6002 include procuring only items designated in guidelines of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) at 40 C.F.R. Part 247 that contain the highest percentage of recovered materials practicable, consistent with maintaining a satisfactory level of competition.
Article 30	Rehabilitation Act of 1973 Recipients must comply with the requirements of Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, Pub. L. 93-112 (1973), (codified as amended at 29 U.S.C. § 794,) which provides that no otherwise qualified handicapped individuals 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.

Article 31 Reporting of Matters Related to Recipient Integrity and Performance General Reporting Requirements: If the total value of any currently active grants, cooperative agreements, and procurement contracts from all federal awarding agencies exceeds \$10,000,000 for any period of time during the period of performance of this federal award, then the recipients must comply with the requirements set forth in the government-wide Award Term and Condition for Recipient Integrity and Performance Matters located at 2 C.F.R. Part 200, Appendix XII, the full text of which is incorporated here by reference in the award terms and conditions.

Article 32 Reporting Subawards and Executive Compensation Reporting of first tier subawards. Recipients are required to comply with the requirements set forth in the government-wide award term on Reporting Subawards and Executive Compensation located at 2 C.F.R. Part 170, Appendix A, the full text of which is incorporated here by reference in the award terms and conditions.

Article 33**Required Use of American Iron, Steel, Manufactured Products, and Construction Materials**

Recipients and subrecipients must comply with the Build America, Buy America Act (BABAA), which was enacted as part of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act §§ 70901-70927, Pub. L. No. 117-58 (2021); and Executive Order 14005, Ensuring the Future is Made in All of America by All of America's Workers. See also Office of Management and Budget (OMB), Memorandum M-22-11, Initial Implementation Guidance on Application of Buy America Preference in Federal Financial Assistance Programs for Infrastructure. Recipients and subrecipients of federal financial assistance programs for infrastructure are hereby notified that none of the funds provided under this award may be used for a project for infrastructure unless: (1) all iron and steel used in the project are produced in the United States--this means all manufacturing processes, from the initial melting stage through the application of coatings, occurred in the United States; (2) all manufactured products used in the project are produced in the United States--this means the manufactured product was manufactured in the United States; and the cost of the components of the manufactured product that are mined, produced, or manufactured in the United States is greater than 55 percent of the total cost of all components of the manufactured product, unless another standard for determining the minimum amount of domestic content of the manufactured product has been established under applicable law or regulation; and (3) all construction materials are manufactured in the United States--this means that all manufacturing processes for the construction material occurred in the United States. The Buy America preference only applies to articles, materials, and supplies that are consumed in, incorporated into, or affixed to an infrastructure project. As such, it does not apply to tools, equipment, and supplies, such as temporary scaffolding, brought to the construction site and removed at or before the completion of the infrastructure project. Nor does a Buy America preference apply to equipment and furnishings, such as movable chairs, desks, and portable computer equipment, that are used at or within the finished infrastructure project, but are not an integral part of the structure or permanently affixed to the infrastructure project. When necessary, recipients may apply for, and the agency may grant, a waiver from these requirements.

(a) When the federal agency has made a determination that one of the following exceptions applies, the awarding official may waive the application of the domestic content procurement preference in any case in which the agency determines that: (1) applying the domestic content procurement preference would be inconsistent with the public interest; (2) the types of iron, steel, manufactured products, or construction materials are not produced in the United States in sufficient and reasonably available quantities or of a satisfactory quality; or (3) the inclusion of iron, steel, manufactured products, or construction materials produced in the United States will increase the cost of the overall project by more than 25 percent. A request to waive the application of the domestic content procurement preference must be in writing. The agency will provide instructions on the format, contents, and supporting materials required for any waiver request. Waiver requests are subject to public comment periods of no less than 15 days and must be reviewed by the OMB Made in America Office. There may be instances where an award qualifies, in whole or in part, for an existing waiver described. For awards by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), existing waivers are available and the waiver process is described at 'Buy America' Preference in FEMA Financial Assistance Programs for Infrastructure | FEMA.gov. For awards by other DHS components, please contact the applicable DHS FAO. To see whether a particular DHS federal financial assistance program is considered an infrastructure program and thus required to include a Buy America preference, please either contact the applicable DHS FAO, or for FEMA awards, please see Programs and Definitions: Build America, Buy America Act | FEMA.gov.

Article 34 **SAFECOM** Recipients receiving federal financial assistance awards made under programs that provide emergency communication equipment and its related activities must comply with the SAFECOM Guidance for Emergency Communication Grants, including provisions on technical standards that ensure and enhance interoperable communications.

Article 35 **Terrorist Financing** Recipients must comply with E.O. 13224 and U.S. laws that prohibit transactions with, and the provisions of resources and support to, individuals and organizations associated with terrorism. Recipients are legally responsible to ensure compliance with the Order and laws.

Article 36 **Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2000 (TVPA)** Trafficking in Persons. Recipients must comply with the requirements of the government-wide financial assistance award term which implements Section 106 (g) of the Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2000 (TVPA), codified as amended at 22 U.S.C. § 7104. The award term is located at 2 C.F.R. § 175.15, the full text of which is incorporated here by reference.

Article 37 **Universal Identifier and System of Award Management** Requirements for System for Award Management and Unique Entity Identifier Recipients are required to comply with the requirements set forth in the government-wide financial assistance award term regarding the System for Award Management and Universal Identifier Requirements located at 2 C.F.R. Part 25, Appendix A, the full text of which is incorporated here by reference.

Article 38 **USA PATRIOT Act of 2001** Recipients must comply with requirements of Section 817 of the Uniting and Strengthening America by Providing Appropriate Tools Required to Intercept and Obstruct Terrorism Act of 2001 (USA PATRIOT Act), which amends 18 U.S.C. §§ 175-175c.

Article 39 **Use of DHS Seal, Logo and Flags** Recipients must obtain permission from their DHS FAO 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 40 **Whistleblower Protection Act** Recipients must comply with the statutory requirements for whistleblower protections (if applicable) at 10 U.S.C § 2409, 41 U.S.C. § 4712, and 10 U.S.C. § 2324, 41 U.S.C. §§ 4304 and 4310.

Article 41 Environmental Planning and Historic Preservation (EHP) Review DHS/FEMA funded activities that may require an Environmental Planning and Historic Preservation (EHP) review are subject to the FEMA EHP review process. This review does not address all federal, state, and local requirements. Acceptance of federal funding requires the recipient to comply with all federal, state and local laws. DHS/FEMA is required to consider the potential impacts to natural and cultural resources of all projects funded by DHS/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 EHP screening form and instructions, go to the DHS/FEMA website. 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. The EHP review process must be completed before funds are released to carry out the proposed project; otherwise, DHS/FEMA may not be able to fund the project due to noncompliance with EHP laws, executive orders, regulations, and policies. If ground disturbing activities occur during construction, applicant will monitor ground disturbance, and if any potential archeological resources are discovered the applicant will immediately cease work in that area and notify the pass-through entity, if applicable, and DHS/FEMA.

Article 42 Applicability of DHS Standard Terms and Conditions to Tribes The DHS Standard Terms and Conditions are a restatement of general requirements imposed upon recipients and flow down to subrecipients as a matter of law, regulation, or executive order. If the requirement does not apply to Indian tribes or there is a federal law or regulation exempting its application to Indian tribes, then the acceptance by Tribes of, or acquiescence to, DHS Standard Terms and Conditions does not change or alter its inapplicability to an Indian tribe. The execution of grant documents is not intended to change, alter, amend, or impose additional liability or responsibility upon the Tribe where it does not already exist.

Article 43 Acceptance of Post Award Changes In the event FEMA determines that changes are necessary to the award document after an award has been made, including changes to period of performance or terms and conditions, recipients will be notified of the changes in writing. Once notification has been made, any subsequent request for funds will indicate recipient acceptance of the changes to the award. Please call the FEMA/GMD Call Center at (866) 927-5646 or via e-mail to ASK-GMD@fema.dhs.gov if you have any questions.

Article 44 Disposition of Equipment Acquired Under the Federal Award For purposes of original or replacement equipment acquired under this award by a non-state recipient or non-state subrecipients, when that equipment is no longer needed for the original project or program or for other activities currently or previously supported by a federal awarding agency, you must request instructions from FEMA to make proper disposition of the equipment pursuant to 2 C.F.R. section 200.313. State recipients and state subrecipients must follow the disposition requirements in accordance with state laws and procedures.

Article 45	Prior Approval for Modification of Approved Budget Before making any change to the FEMA approved budget for this award, you must request prior written approval from FEMA where required by 2 C.F.R. section 200.308. For purposes of non-construction projects, FEMA is utilizing its discretion to impose an additional restriction under 2 C.F.R. section 200.308(f) regarding the transfer of funds among direct cost categories, programs, functions, or activities. Therefore, for awards with an approved budget where the federal share is greater than the simplified acquisition threshold (currently \$250,000), you may not transfer funds among direct cost categories, programs, functions, or activities without prior written approval from FEMA where the cumulative amount of such transfers exceeds or is expected to exceed ten percent (10%) of the total budget FEMA last approved. For purposes of awards that support both construction and non-construction work, FEMA is utilizing its discretion under 2 C.F.R. section 200.308(h)(5) to require the recipient to obtain prior written approval from FEMA before making any fund or budget transfers between the two types of work. You must report any deviations from your FEMA approved budget in the first Federal Financial Report (SF-425) you submit following any budget deviation, regardless of whether the budget deviation requires prior written approval.
Article 46	Indirect Cost Rate 2 C.F.R. section 200.211(b)(15) requires the terms of the award to include the indirect cost rate for the federal award. If applicable, the indirect cost rate for this award is stated in the budget documents or other materials approved by FEMA and included in the award file.
Article 47	Award Performance Goals FEMA will measure the recipient's performance of the grant by comparing the firefighter hiring activities of new, additional firefighters, rehire laid off firefighters, or retain firefighters facing layoff OR recruitment and retention activities of volunteer firefighters who are involved with or trained in the operations of firefighting and emergency response as requested in its application. In order to measure performance, FEMA may request information throughout the period of performance. In its final performance report submitted at closeout, the recipient is required to report on the recipients increased compliance with the National standards described in the NOFO.

Obligating document

1. Agreement No. EMW-2021-FF-00908	2. Amendment No. 1	3. Recipient No. 596000785	4. Type of Action AMENDMENT	5. Control No. WX00670N2022T
6. Recipient Name and Address COUNTY OF PALM BEACH 301 N OLIVE AVE WEST PALM BEACH, FL 33401		7. Issuing FEMA Office and Address Grant Programs Directorate 500 C Street, S.W. Washington DC, 20528-7000 1-866-927-5646		8. Payment Office and Address FEMA, Financial Services Branch 500 C Street, S.W., Room 723 Washington DC, 20742
9. Name of Recipient Project Officer Michael Martz	9a. Phone No. 561-6167021	10. Name of FEMA Project Coordinator Staffing for Adequate Fire and Emergency Response (SAFER) Grant Program		10a. Phone No. 1-866-274-0960

11. Effective Date of This Action 02/08/2023	12. Method of Payment OTHER - FEMA GO	13. Assistance Arrangement COST SHARING	14. Performance Period 01/09/2023 to 01/08/2026 Budget Period 01/09/2023 to 01/08/2026
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15. Description of Action a. (Indicate funding data for awards or financial changes)						
Program Name Abbreviation	Assistance Listings No.	Accounting Data(ACCS Code)	Prior Total Award	Amount Awarded This Action + or (-)	Current Total Award	Cumulative Non-Federal Commitment
SAFER	97.083	2022-F1- GF01 - P410-xxxx- 4101-D	\$5,044,428.00	\$0.00	\$5,044,428.00	\$0.00
Totals			\$5,044,428.00	\$0.00	\$5,044,428.00	\$0.00

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

~~**16. FOR NON-DISASTER PROGRAMS: RECIPIENT IS REQUIRED TO SIGN AND RETURN THREE (3) COPIES OF THIS DOCUMENT TO FEMA (See Block 7 for address)**~~
This field is not applicable for digitally signed grant agreements

~~**17. RECIPIENT SIGNATORY OFFICIAL (Name and Title)**~~
(Recipients are not required to sign and return copies of this document. However, recipients should print and keep a copy of this documents for their records.)

18. FEMA SIGNATORY OFFICIAL (Name and Title) Andrea Day, Assistance Officer	DATE 02/08/2023
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