

**PLACER COUNTY  
OFFICE OF EMERGENCY SERVICES  
M E M O R A N D U M**

**To:** Honorable Board of Supervisors

**From:** Thomas Miller, County Executive Officer  
by: Richard Simmons, Emergency Services Program Manager

**Date:** January 10, 2012

**Subject:** Request the Board accept an Assistance to Firefighters Grant of \$203,600 to purchase Monitor/Defibrillators (4) and firefighter turnout sets (31)

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**ACTION REQUESTED:**

That your Board accept an Assistance to Firefighters Grant of \$203,600 from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) for purchase of Monitor Defibrillators (4) and firefighter turnout sets (31)

**BACKGROUND:**

Placer County Fire's application for the 2011 Assistance to Firefighters Grant has been approved by FEMA (attached). This grant requires County match of \$40,720 for the FEMA funds equaling \$162,880. The funds will be used to purchase four emergency medical Monitor/Defibrillators with extra batteries and chargers, as well as 31 sets of firefighter turnouts (coats, boots, helmets, hoods and gloves).

The Monitor/Defibrillators will be maintained on Engine 77 and Truck 77 from the Sunset Station at the Casino and on Engine 70 from the Lincoln Station on Wise Road. The fourth Monitor/Defibrillator is a spare. They are used to for example, monitor a patient's blood pressure or how much CO2 is internalized in a patient (important with rescues from burning buildings) or how much CO2 is being expelled when under CPR. Using telemetry, it can also transmit patient data while enroute to an emergency room.

The 31 sets of turnouts will be used to provide for an increasing number of volunteers coming into PCF and to replace a number of turnout sets that are on loan from other fire agencies.

**FISCAL IMPACT**

There is no General Fund impact as a result of this action. The Assistance to Firefighters Grant will provide \$162,880 in funding that is matched by only \$40,720 in County funds that essentially increases the buying power of the County's funds by a factor of five. The county funds will be taken from the Fire fund and from appropriate Zones of Benefit in County Service Area 28 based on the number of both Monitor/Defibrillators and turnouts are credited to each. The Monitor/Defibrillator Sets are fixed assets (\$32,331 each) and will be added to the Master Fixed Asset List once acquired.

**Attachments:**

Grant Award Letter



# FEMA

Mr. David Krussow  
Placer County Fire Department  
13760 Lincoln Way  
Auburn, California 95603-3236

Re: Grant No.EMW-2011-FO-01568

Dear Mr. Krussow:

On behalf of the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), I am pleased to inform you that your grant application submitted under the FY 2011 Assistance to Firefighters Grant has been approved. FEMA's Grant Programs Directorate (GPD), in consultation with the U.S. Fire Administration (USFA), carries out the Federal responsibilities of administering your grant. The approved project costs total to \$203,600.00. The Federal share is 80 percent or \$162,880.00 of the approved amount and your share of the costs is 20 percent or \$40,720.00.

As part of your award package, you will find Grant Agreement Articles. Please make sure you read and understand the Articles as they outline the terms and conditions of your grant award. Maintain a copy of these documents for your official file. **You establish acceptance of the grant and Grant Agreement Articles when you formally receive the award through the AFG online system.** By accepting the grant, you agree not to deviate from the approved scope of work without prior written approval from FEMA.

If your SF 1199A has been reviewed and approved, you will be able to request payments online. Remember, you should request funds when you have an immediate cash need.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding the awards process or how to request your grant funds, please call the helpdesk at 1-866-274-0960.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Elizabeth M. Harman".

Elizabeth M. Harman  
Assistant Administrator  
Grant Programs Directorate