
MEMORANDUM

To: East Contra Costa Fire Protection District
From: Townsend Public Affairs
Date: October 3, 2019
Subject: Grants Monthly Report for East Contra Costa Fire Protection District—September 2019

This memorandum is an updated overview of the current funding opportunities submitted and in progress.

CALIFORNIA FIRE FOUNDATION

California Office of Emergency Services

The California Governor's Office of Emergency Services (Cal OES) released the Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) announcement for the 2019 Pre-Disaster Mitigation (PDM) and the Flood Mitigation Assistance (FMA) Grant Programs.

This includes \$250,000,000 nationwide for the PDM Program and \$160,000,000 nationwide for the FMA Program. These programs provide funding for the development of local hazard mitigation plans (LHMPs) and implementation of hazard mitigation projects. After attending the program workshop it was determined the District is not a good fit for this grant. The bulk of the grant money will be awarded towards infrastructure projects such as storm runoff drains and floodplain management projects.

CAL FIRE Fire Prevention Grant

CAL FIRE's Fire Prevention Grants Program (FP) provides funding for local projects and activities that address the risk of wildfire and reduce wildfire potential to forested and forest adjacent communities. Funded activities include: hazardous fuel reduction, fire planning, and fire prevention education with an emphasis on improving public health and safety while reducing greenhouse gas emissions.

This program is funded by the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund (GGRF) – projects must demonstrate that they will achieve and maintain a net reduction in GHG emissions calculated using the most up to date version of the California Air Resources Board (CARB) Quantification Methodology for the Urban and Community Forestry Program.

TPA is currently working with staff to discuss project ideas and will work throughout the fall to prepare a well written and competitive application. **Applications are due December 4, 2019.**

FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY

FEMA began making award announcements in September for all three of their programs. The announcements are being made on a rolling basis. At this time we have not heard if the District has been awarded.

The applications the District submitted are:

Assistance to Firefighters

TPA worked with District staff to prepare two applications that will meet the high priorities of the agency. The first was a regional application. If awarded, ECCFPD and ConFire would purchase a total of 21 sauna units. This request also aligns with AFG's high programmatic priority for the purchase of responder rehab equipment.

The second application is to replace the district's 15 current portable radios. If awarded, ECCFPD would replace its existing set with new, state-of-the-art, fully-functioning portable radios. This purchase would directly enhance responder safety and improve ECCFPD's ability to protect life and property in the region.

Applications were submitted on October 25, 2018

Fire Prevention and Safety

On November 11, 2018, FEMA released the funding opportunity for the Fire Prevention and Safety (FP&S) Program. TPA worked the Chief Macumber to resubmit an application to include additional information pertaining to the efforts that were undertaken this past year in regard to the strategic plan and the recruitment of a fire marshal.

The grant application was submitted on December 22, 2018.

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