Assistance to Firefighters Grants

Total Funding Available: $210 million

Overview: The primary goal of the Assistance to Firefighters Grants (AFG) is to meet the firefighting and emergency response needs of fire departments and nonaffiliated emergency medical services organizations. Since 2001, AFG has helped firefighters and other first responders to obtain critically needed equipment, protective gear, emergency vehicles, training, and other resources needed to protect the public and emergency personnel from fire and related hazards.

Assistance to Firefighters Grants funding from the ARRA can be used to modify, upgrade, or construct non-Federal fire stations.

Special Factors:

- The maximum grant amount is $15 million.
- No matching funds are required.
- Extensive "Buy America" provisions can be waived by the Secretary.

How to Access Funding: Visit the following link to access the application kit http://www.fema.gov/pdf/government/grant/arra/fy09_arra_fsc_guidance.pdf. The application deadline is Friday, July 10, 2009 at 5:00 p.m. eastern daylight time.

Federal Contact: Federal Emergency Management Agency
www.firegrantsupport.com/afg/

State Contact: N/A

League Staff Liaison: Charles Archer, carcher@nclm.org, 919-715-3918

Updated June 2, 2009