

Legislation Text

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Agenda Item Name:

2020-2021 Emergency Medical Services (EMS) County Grant Application

Presenter:

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Description:

EMS grant application to accept award funds from the Bureau of Emergency Medical Services

Recommended Action:

Adopt the Resolution, approve the EMS Grant Application and Request for Fund Distribution

Prior Board Motions:

N/A

Fiscal Consideration:

The FY21 EMS County Grant is \$31,811.00 and the distribution deadline to return the application is December 16, 2020. The grant revenue and expenditures are budgeted in fund 014-54-5450-526various.

Background:

The Department of Health, Bureau of Emergency Medical Services is authorized by Chapter 401, Part II, F.S., to dispense grant funds. Forty-five (45) percent of these funds are made available to the 67 boards of county commissioners (BoCCs) to improve and expand pre-hospital EMS systems in their county. Each County is required to submit a Grant Application and request for grant fund distribution. The Alachua County grant award amount is \$31,811.00.

Chapter 401 of the Florida Statutes authorizes the Florida Department of Health to award funds to eligible Florida counties for the enhancement of Emergency Medical Services. These funds are collected from surcharges on moving violations issued within the county and awarded to each eligible county for the purpose of improving and/or expanding their pre-hospital Emergency Medical Services. This is an annual process which requires no matching funds.

The State has notified Alachua County that the FY21 EMS County Grant is \$31,811.00. The attached application and request for fund distribution is summarized as follows: \$26,343.98 to Alachua County Fire Rescue for the purchase of portable ultrasound equipment, Advanced Airway Training, Critical Care Advanced Airway Classes, and AED Defibrillators; \$800.00 for Suction Unit for Lacrosse Fire Department; \$4030.80 for the purchase of AED Defibrillator & Vital Sign Monitor for the Town of

Micanopy; \$636.22 to the North Central Florida Trauma Agency for ongoing trauma studies.

The deadline for receipt of the complete grant application and request for fund distribution is December 16, 2020.