



Federal Emergency Management Agency
Washington, D.C. 20472

Ms. Leonard Franco
Merced City Fire Department
99 E. 16th. Street
Merced, California 95340-5020

Re: Grant No.EMW-2002-FG-04005

Dear Ms. Franco:

Congratulations. Your grant application submitted under FEMA's FY 02 Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program for Fire Prevention has been approved. The approved project costs amount to \$48,425.00. The Federal share is 70 percent or \$33,898.00 of the approved amount and your share of the costs is 30 percent or \$14,527.00.

As part of your award package, you will find FEMA's 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 FEMA's Grant Agreement Articles when you request and receive any of the Federal Grant funds awarded to you.**

For your convenience, we will have an on-line system that will accept payment requests. The first step to request your grant funds is to ensure that FEMA has your correct Direct Deposit Information on-line. Once you have confirmed your Direct Deposit information, print a copy of it by clicking the Print SF 1199A button on the screen. Sign the form and take it to your bank to complete the bottom portion of the form. Once your bank has completed and signed the form, mail it, with the original signatures, to the address below:

Department of Homeland Security
Emergency Preparedness and Response Directorate (FEMA)
Grants Management Branch
500 C Street, SW, Room 350
Washington, DC 20472

Attn: Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program

The second step will be to request your grant funds. If you have any questions or concerns regarding the process to request your grant funds, please call Marilynn Grim at 202-646-3459.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading 'Patricia A. English'.

Patricia A. English
Senior Procurement Executive

Agreement Articles



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AGREEMENT ARTICLES**ASSISTANCE TO FIREFIGHTERS GRANT PROGRAM**

GRANTEE: Merced City Fire Department

PROGRAM: Fire Prevention

AGREEMENT NUMBER: EMW-2002-FG-04005

AMENDMENT NUMBER:

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Article I - Project Description

The grantee shall perform the work described in the approved grant application's Program Narrative. That narrative is made a part of these grant agreement articles by reference. The purpose of the Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program is to protect the health and safety of the public and firefighting personnel against fire and fire-related hazards. After careful consideration, FEMA has determined that the grantee's project, as detailed in submitted project narrative and budget information, submitted as part of the grantee's application (and considered part of this agreement by reference), was consistent with the program's purpose and worthy of award. As such, any deviation from the approved program narrative must have prior written approval from FEMA.

Article II - Grantee Concurrence

By requesting and receiving Federal grant funds provided by this grant program, the grantee accepts and agrees

to abide by the terms and conditions of the grant as set forth in this document and the documents identified below. All documents submitted as part of the application are made a part of this agreement by reference.

Article III - Period of Performance

The period of performance shall be from 01-AUG-02 to 31-JUL-03.

The grant funds are available to the grantee for obligation only during the period of performance of the grant award. The grantee is not authorized to incur new obligations after the expiration date unless the grantee has requested, and FEMA has approved, a new expiration date. The grantee has 90 days after period of performance to incur costs associated with closeout or to pay for obligations incurred during period of performance. Award expenditures are for the purposes detailed in the approved grant application only. The grantee cannot transfer funds to other agencies or departments without prior written approval from FEMA.

Article IV - Amount Awarded

The amount of the award is detailed on the Obligating Document for Award attached to these articles. Following are the budgeted estimates for object classes for this grant (including Federal share plus grantee match):

Personnel	\$0.00
Fringe Benefits	\$0.00
Travel	\$0.00
Equipment	\$48,425.00
Supplies	\$0.00
Contractual	\$0.00
Construction	\$0.00
Other	\$0.00
Indirect Charges	\$0.00
Total	\$48,425.00

Article V - Requests for Advances or Reimbursements

Grant payments under the Assistance to Firefighter Grant Program are made on an advance or reimbursable basis for immediate cash needs. When the grantee needs grant funds, the grantee fills out the on-line Request for Advance or Reimbursement.

Payments under this grant program are made via direct deposit, therefore before a payment is made, grantees must confirm their on-line Direct Deposit information, print a copy, sign it and mail (with an original signature) the hardcopy to FEMA at the following address:

Federal Emergency Management Agency
Financial & Acquisition Management Division
Grants Management Branch
500 C Street, SW, Room 336
Washington, DC 20472
Attn: Sylvia A. Carroll

Article VI - Budget Changes

Generally, changes in the budget-line items are permitted, as long as the original program narrative is accomplished. The only exception to this provision is for grants where the Federal share is in excess of \$100,000.00. In grants where the Federal share exceeds \$100,000.00, the budgeted line items can be changed, but if the cumulative changes exceed ten (10) percent of the total budget, FEMA must approve those changes.

Article VII - Financial Reporting

The Request for Advance or Reimbursement mentioned above, will also be used for interim financial reporting purposes. At the end of the performance period, or upon completion of the grantee's program narrative, the grantee must complete, on-line, a final financial report that is required to close out the grant. This report is due within 90 days after the end of the performance period.

Article VIII - Performance Reports

The grantee must submit a semi-annual and a final performance report to FEMA. The final performance report should provide a short narrative on what the grantee accomplished with the grant funds and any benefits derived there from. The semi-annual report is due six months after the award date.

Article IX - FEMA Officials

Program Officer: Brian A. Cowan, Chief of the Grants Program Office, is the Program Officer for this grant program. The Program Officer is responsible for the technical monitoring of the stages of work and technical performance of the activities described in the approved grant application.

Grants Assistance Officer: Richard Goodman, Chief of the Grants Management Branch, or Sylvia A. Carroll, Grants Management Specialist, is the Assistance Officer for this grant program. The Assistance Officer is the Federal official responsible for negotiating, administering, and executing all grant business matters.

Grants Management Specialist: Marilyn Grim 202-646-3459 is the Grants Management Specialist for this grant award and shall be contacted for all financial and administrative grant business matters.

Article X - Other Terms and Conditions

A. Pre-award costs directly applicable to the awarded grant are allowable if approved in writing by the FEMA program official.

B. The grantee agrees to maintain their operating expenditures in the funded grant category at a level equal to or greater than the average of their operating expenditures in the two fiscal years preceding the fiscal year in which assistance is awarded.

C. The grantee agrees to provide information to the National Fire Incident Reporting System for the period covered by the grant.

Article XI - General Provisions

The following are hereby incorporated into this agreement by reference:

44 CFR, Emergency Management and Assistance

Part 7 Nondiscrimination in Federally-Assisted Programs

Part 13 Uniform administrative requirements for grants and cooperative agreements to state and local governments

Part 17 Government-wide Debarment and Suspension (Non-procurement) and Government-wide Requirements for Drug-free Workplace (Grants)

Part 18 New Restrictions on Lobbying

31 CFR 205.6 Funding Techniques

OMB Circular A-122 Cost Principles for Nonprofit Organizations

OMB Circular A-110 Uniform Administrative Requirements for Grants and Agreements With Institutions of Higher Education, Hospitals, and Other Nonprofit Organizations Assistance to Firefighters Grant Application and Assurances contained therein.

Article XII- Audit Requirements

All grantees must follow the audit requirements of OMB Circular A-133, Audits of States, Local Governments, and Nonprofit Organizations. The main requirement of this OMB Circular is that grantees that expend \$300,000.00 or more in Federal funds (from all Federal sources) must have a single audit performed in accordance with the circular.

As a condition of receiving funding under this grant program, you must agree to maintain grant files and supporting documentation for three years after the conclusion of the grant. You must also agree to make your grant files, books, and records available for an audit by FEMA, the U.S. Government Accountability Office (GAO), or their duly authorized representatives to assess the accomplishments of the grant program or to ensure compliance with any requirement of the grant program.

ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS (IF APPLICABLE)

FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY OBLIGATING DOCUMENT FOR AWARD/AMENDMENT

1a. AGREEMENT NO. EMW-2002-FG-04005	2. AMENDMENT NO. 0	3. RECIPIENT NO. 94-6000371	4. TYPE OF ACTION AWARD	5. CONTROL NO. W355357N
6. RECIPIENT NAME AND ADDRESS Merced City Fire Department 99 E. 16th. Street Merced California, 95340-5020	7. ISSUING FEMA OFFICE AND ADDRESS Grant Programs Directorate 500 C Street, S.W. Washington DC, 20472 Specialist:Marilynn Grim 202-646-3459		8. PAYMENT OFFICE AND ADDRESS FEMA/Financial Services Branch 500 C Street, S.W., Room 723 Washington DC, 20472	
9. NAME OF RECIPIENT PROJECT OFFICER Leonard Franco	PHONE NO.	10. NAME OF FEMA PROJECT COORDINATOR Brian Cowan	PHONE NO. (202) 646-2821	
11. EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS ACTION 01-AUG-02	12. METHOD OF PAYMENT SF-270	13. ASSISTANCE ARRANGEMENT Cost Sharing	14. PERFORMANCE PERIOD From:01-AUG-02 To:31-JUL-03	

Budget Period
From:01-OCT-01 To:30-SEP-02

15. DESCRIPTION OF ACTION

a. (Indicate funding data for awards or financial changes)

PROGRAM NAME ACRONYM	CFDA NO.	ACCOUNTING DATA (ACCS CODE) XXXX-XXX-XXXXXX-XXXXX- XXXX-XXXX-X	PRIOR TOTAL AWARD	AMOUNT AWARDED THIS ACTION + OR (-)	CURRENT TOTAL AWARD	CUMMULATIVE NON- FEDERAL COMMITMENT
AFG	97.044	2002-03-6410RA-64000000-4101-D	\$0.00	\$33,898.00	\$33,898.00	\$14,527.00
TOTALS			\$0.00	\$33,898.00	\$33,898.00	\$14,527.00

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

16 a. FOR NON-DISASTER PROGRAMS: RECIPIENT IS REQUIRED TO SIGN AND RETURN THREE (3) COPIES OF THIS DOCUMENT TO FEMA (See Block 7 for address)

Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program recipients are not required to sign and return copies of this document. However, recipients should print and keep a copy of this document for their records.

16b. FOR DISASTER PROGRAMS: RECIPIENT IS NOT REQUIRED TO SIGN

This assistance is subject to terms and conditions attached to this award notice or by incorporated reference in program legislation cited above.

17. RECIPIENT SIGNATORY OFFICIAL (Name and Title)
N/ADATE
N/A18. FEMA SIGNATORY OFFICIAL (Name and Title)
Sylvia CarrollDATE
01-JUL-02

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