



MULTNOMAH COUNTY AGENDA PLACEMENT REQUEST

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Meeting Date: 2/5/15
Agenda Item #: R.2
Est. Start Time: 9:50 am
Date Submitted: 1/23/15

Agenda Title: NOTICE OF INTENT to Apply for a Grant through the State of Oregon's State Homeland Security Grant Program

Note: Title should not be more than 2 lines but sufficient to describe the action requested. Title on APR must match title on Ordinance, Resolution, Order or Proclamation.

Requested Meeting Date: 2/5/15 **Time Needed:** 5 minutes

Department: Non-Departmental **Division:** Emergency Mngmnt

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Presenter

Name(s) & Dave Houghton, Office of Emergency Management Interim Director;

Title(s): Rachel Novick, Office of Emergency Management Coordinator

General Information

1. What action are you requesting from the Board?

Approve a request to apply for a \$170,000 State Homeland Security Grant through the Oregon Military Department Office of Emergency Management.

2. Please provide sufficient background information for the Board and the public to understand this issue. Please note which Program Offer this action affects and how it impacts the results.

The Homeland Security Grant Program is a primary funding mechanism for building and sustaining national preparedness capabilities. The State Homeland Security Program (SHSP) is one of five interconnected grant programs. Together, these five grant programs fund a range of preparedness activities, including planning, organization, equipment purchase, training, exercises and management and administration.

The goals of SHSP is to support the implementation of state Homeland Security Strategies to address the identified planning, organization, equipment, training, and exercise needs to prevent, protect against, mitigate, respond to, and recover from acts of terrorism and other catastrophic events. SHSP also provides funding to implement initiatives in the State Preparedness Report.

Total funding available for all states for federal FY2015¹ is unknown. The state expects that amount to be similar to that of FY2014 which was \$354,644,123. The state must obligate at least 80 percent (80%) of the funds awarded under SHSP to local units of government. The

¹ October 1, 2015 – September 30, 2016

local 80% will be distributed through a competitive application process detailed in the FY2015 State Application Instructions. Priorities for funding include projects which implement the State Homeland Security Strategies, and fill gaps identified in the State THIRA as well as integrate planning, training, and exercises in addition to equipment procurement. The only eligible projects are those that implement the State's five (5) investment areas.

The five investment areas for FY 2015 are:

1. Oregon 2015 Cascadia Rising Exercise 2016
2. Oregon 2015 Planning Investment
3. Oregon 2015 Interoperable Communications Investment
4. Oregon 2015 Special Teams Investment
5. Oregon 2015 Citizen Preparedness Investment

The state requires that grant submissions from sub-jurisdictions be submitted in a combined application from counties. If projects are approved, awards will go directly to the sub-jurisdiction. Here is the breakdown of seven projects/local applications that we plan to include in the combined application for Multnomah County.²

1. Proposal from the Portland Bureau of Emergency Management to support courses in First Aid/CPR/AED Class, Basic NET Class, Advanced Search and Rescue, and Regional CERT Olympics. Estimated Cost: \$9,271 but this cost will increase because the proposal will be expanded to include a first aid course in Gresham, at Gresham's request.
2. Proposal from the Multnomah County Sheriff's Office for mobile EOC enhancements and investigative information technology enhancement. Estimated Cost: \$13,034.
3. Proposal from Multnomah County Office of Emergency Management for contractor work on county debris planning. Estimated Cost: \$50,000.
4. Proposal from Multnomah County Office of Emergency Management for continuity of operations planning for Human Services providers in the community. Estimated Cost: \$80,000
5. Proposal from Multnomah County Office of Emergency Management and the Multnomah County Amateur Radio Emergency Service (ARES) for radios and related equipment. Estimated Cost: \$12,000.

3. Explain the fiscal impact (current year and ongoing).

This grant would increase funding to address the identified planning, organization, equipment, training, and exercise needs to prevent, protect against, mitigate, respond to, and recover from acts of terrorism and other catastrophic events in Multnomah County by \$170,000 over the next year.

4. Explain any legal and/or policy issues involved.

None.

5. Explain any citizen and/or other government participation that has or will take place.

² This may change slightly before the submission date of February 13, 2015, depending on whether local partners complete their local applications. If they do not complete the local applications, the project will not be included in the combined application that Multnomah County Emergency Management submits to the state.

Multnomah County Office of Emergency Management has met with local partners for input on this combined application. The local partners included: Portland Police Bureau, Multnomah County Department of Community Services, City of Gresham, Portland Bureau of Emergency Management, Multnomah Education Services District, Multnomah County Sheriff's Office, Gresham Police Bureau, Multnomah County Amateur Radio Emergency Services (ARES), Metro, Indian Health Service, Multnomah County Facilities-Property Management, and Multnomah County Drainage District. Representative from these partner agencies determined by consensus which project proposals would move forward in this combined application: Multnomah County Emergency Management, Portland Bureau of Emergency Management, and Multnomah County Sheriff's Office.

Grant Application/Notice of Intent

If the request is a **Grant Application** or **Notice of Intent**, please answer **all** of the following in detail:

- **Who is the granting agency?**

Oregon Military Department Office of Emergency Management

- **Specify grant (matching, reporting and other) requirements and goals.**

States are required to ensure that at least 25 percent (25%) of the SHSP funds are dedicated towards law enforcement terrorism prevention activities linked to one or more core capabilities within the National Preparedness Goal (NPG).

The outcomes expected from grant expenditures are to support the implementation of state Homeland Security Strategies to address the identified planning, organization, equipment, training, and exercise needs to prevent, protect against, mitigate, respond to, and recover from acts of terrorism and other catastrophic events. This is a reimbursement grant.

- **Explain grant funding detail – is this a one time only or long term commitment?**

The current commitment is for Federal FY 2015.

- **What are the estimated filing timelines?**

The grant requires a letter of intent to participate in the program, signed by one or more County Commissioners. The Oregon Military Department Office of Emergency Management intends to make funding available to grantees in October 2015.

- **If a grant, what period does the grant cover?**

The grant period is 10/1/15 to 9/30/16.

- **When the grant expires, what are funding plans?**

Proposed project components have been designed to be completed during the project period. As such, there is no expectation of on-going investment at the end of the project period to sustain grant activities.

- **Is 100% of the central and departmental indirect recovered? If not, please explain why.**

Per the grant guidance provided by the state, indirect is not covered in SHSP grants.

Required Signature

**Elected
Official or
Department**

Director: Dave Houghton /s/

Date: 1/23/15

Note: Please submit electronically. Insert names of your approvers followed by /s/ - we no longer use actual signatures. Please insert date approved.