

**MARTIN COUNTY, FLORIDA
SUPPLEMENTAL MEMORANDUM**

TO: Honorable Members of the Board of County Commissioners **DATE:** January 22, 2019

VIA: Taryn Kryzda
County Administrator

FROM: Jennifer Manning
Director of the Office of Management & Budget

SUBJECT: **OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET ITEMS WHICH REQUIRE BOARD APPROVAL**

GRANT ITEMS – PERMISSION TO APPLY

1. PERMISSION TO APPLY FOR THE FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY (FEMA) ASSISTANCE TO FIREFIGHTERS GRANT (AFG) FOR EQUIPMENT

- **Requestor** – Fire Rescue Department
- **Granting Agency** – U.S. Department of Homeland Security/FEMA
- **Project Description** – The Martin County Fire Rescue Department is seeking to add 17 power-loading stretcher systems to outfit the entire fleet of frontline and backup ambulances. Power-loading cot fastener systems help to prevent debilitating back, shoulder, and other muscular injuries. The power loaders are ergonomically designed to reduce operator and patient injuries by hydraulically lifting patients weighing up to 700 lbs. Power lift systems improve operator and patient safety by supporting the cot throughout the entire loading and unloading process. EMS providers that have implemented lifting and loading systems have witnessed significant reductions in work-related injuries. Workplace injury reduction equates to tremendous cost savings. The cumulative medical costs incurred by the employer associated with a single career-ending back injury or an injured patient can be staggering.
- **Requested Grant award** - \$471,155
- **Budgetary Impact** – Total grant match of \$47,115.50 which is available in the Fire Rescue Capital Improvement Plan Fixed Asset Replacement Budget (FARB).
- **Annual Operating Cost** – Staff time for grant administration.

Alternative Action:

- **Programmatic Implication if not approved** – There is a higher potential risk of an injury occurring to either the employee or patient during the on and offboard procedure from the EMS transport unit.
- **Financial Fiscal impact if not approved** – To outfit the entire transport fleet without the grant assistance would cost \$471,155.

DOCUMENTS REQUIRING ACTION:

- None at this time.

RECOMMENDATION:

- Move that the Board authorize the Fire Rescue Department to apply for the FEMA AFG Equipment Grant.

2. PERMISSION TO APPLY FOR THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH (DOH) HELPING EMERGENCY RESPONDERS OBTAIN SUPPORT (HEROS) GRANT

- **Requestor** – Fire Rescue Department
- **Granting Agency** – Florida Department of Health
- **Project Description** – Naloxone, commonly known as Narcan, is a medication designed to rapidly reverse opioid overdose. It is an opioid antagonist—meaning that it binds to opioid receptors and can reverse and block the effects of other opioids. It can very quickly restore normal respiration to a person whose breathing has slowed or stopped as a result of overdosing with heroin or prescription opioid pain medications. In the state of Florida during 2018, opioid related deaths totaled 3,310 due to abuse of heroin, fentanyl, oxycodone, and hydromorphone. In 2017, Florida's emergency responders treated nearly 45,202 drug overdoses. Since 2015, the Martin County Fire Rescue Department has responded to 1,518 calls for poisoning or overdose during which Naloxone was administered 929 times costing the County \$26,820. In response to the nationwide opioid epidemic, the State has appropriated \$5,000,000 to the DOH to help provide emergency responders with the appropriate pharmaceutical resources to address the crisis. The Fire Rescue Department will be seeking 350 doses of Naloxone to help offset the fiscal burden of providing this lifesaving medication to those that need it.
- **Requested Grant award** – 350 doses of Naloxone HCl totalling approximately \$10,104.
- **Budgetary Impact** – None. No match required.
- **Annual Operating Cost** – Staff time for grant administration.

Alternative Action:

- **Programmatic Implication if not approved** – The County will continue to have Naloxone available on all emergency response units.
- **Financial Fiscal impact if not approved** – The County will spend more than \$10,000 annually to have Naloxone available on all emergency response units.

DOCUMENTS REQUIRING ACTION:

- None at this time.

RECOMMENDATION:

- Move that the Board authorize the Fire Rescue Department to apply for the Department of Health HEROS Grant.

3. PERMISSION TO APPLY FOR THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION (FDEP) LAND AND WATER CONSERVATION FUND (LWCF) GRANT

- **Requestor** – Office of Community Development
- **Granting Agency** – Florida Department of Environmental Protection
- **Project Description** – The SE Camino Avenue unimproved right of way is owned and maintained by Martin County. This grant would fund a north/south pathway that connects the Golden Gate neighborhood from Normand Street to Jefferson Street, providing a dedicated recreational and transportation corridor in perpetuity. This funding pays for the construction and installation of a 0.6 mile 12-foot wide concrete pathway and includes amenities such as: picnic areas, lighting, landscape enhancement, signage, shade structures, children's activities, and community gathering spaces. This project will also assist in the re-alignment of the soccer field at Lamar Howard Park. This pathway will provide physical fitness, outdoor recreation, safe off-road transportation, neighborhood connectivity, community pride and increased safe access to programs at neighborhood facilities such as the Cassidy Center and Golden Gate Center for Enrichment.
- **Requested Grant Award** – \$300,000
- **Budgetary Impact** – Match of \$300,000, budgeted within the Golden Gate CRA Tax Increment Financing (TIF)
- **Annual Operating Cost** – Staff time for grant administration and project management.

ALTERNATIVE ACTION:

- **Programmatic Implication if not approved** – Pedestrians and bicyclists will continue to use the neighborhood streets for walking and bicycling, coming into conflict with vehicles travelling on the roadways. Safety will continue to be an issue in the Golden Gate neighborhood for pedestrians and bicyclists. The neighborhood will lack connectivity and a host of amenities, as stated above, for the residents.
- **Financial Fiscal impact if not approved** – None.

DOCUMENTS REQUIRING ACTION:

- None at this time.

RECOMMENDATION:

- Move that the Board authorize the Office of Community Development to apply for the FDEP LWCF Grant.

GRANT ITEMS – PERMISSION TO ACCEPT

4. PERMISSION TO ACCEPT THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (FDOT) LOCAL AGENCY PROGRAM (LAP) GRANT AGREEMENT - AMENDMENT #1 FOR THE HIGH MEADOW AVENUE RESURFACING & BIKE LANES PROJECT

- **Agreement/Contract drafted by:** State of Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT)
- **Parties to the Agreement/Contract:** FDOT and the Martin County Board of County Commissioners
- **Purpose of the Agreement/Contract:** Amendment #1 to contract G0Z79 decreases the total grant funding needed for the construction of the project by \$387,982. The funding decrease is due to the actual accepted bid being lower than the original cost estimate for construction. This does not change the County contribution to the project.
- **New/Renewal/Modified:** Amendment #1
- **Duration:** Martin County agrees to complete the Project on or before December 31, 2020 (date of Agreement expiration).
- **Benefits to Martin County:** None.
- **Cost to Martin County:** Reduces the grant funding needed for the construction of the project (-\$387,982). Annual maintenance cost estimated to be \$2,000 per year and staff's time to administer the grant.

This project is approved in the FY19 Capital Improvement Plan.

ALTERNATIVE ACTION:

- **Programmatic Implication if not approved** – None.
- **Financial Fiscal impact if not approved** – None.

DOCUMENTS REQUIRING ACTION:

- LAP Agreement – Amendment #1 (2 copies)
- Board Resolution
- Budget Resolution

RECOMMENDATION:

- Move that the Board authorize the Chairman to execute the LAP Agreement Amendment #1 as well as any non-monetary grant related documents upon review and concurrence of the County Attorney's Office; and
- Move that the Board adopt the Board Resolution; and
- Move that the Board adopt the Budget Resolution.

APPROVED AS TO FORM & LEGAL SUFFICIENCY