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TO: Mayor and Members
Board of County Commissioners

FROM: Dr. Frederick Keroff, Chair
Broward County Regional EMS Council

SUBJECT: EMS Grants Committee's Project Recommendations for EMS Trust
Funds FY2023

BACKGROUND

Following the award notice of the FY2023 EMS County Grant Funds to Broward County from the State of Florida Department of Health (DOH), Bureau of Emergency Medical Services, and prior to submission of the FY2023 EMS County Grant Application, a competitive selection process was conducted by the Broward County Regional EMS Council's Grant Committee ("Grants Committee") to rank each application.

For the FY2023 EMS County Grant program, available grant funds are \$87,160.00. The Grants Committee reviewed three (3) EMS County Grant projects ("Projects"), but based upon grant funds available, the Grants Committee is recommending partial funding of the (3) projects. The projects recommended for funding on Attachment 1 met the criteria of improving and expanding prehospital emergency medical services in Broward County.

In accordance with the Broward County Regional EMS Council's objectives set forth in Broward County code of Ordinances, Chapter 15, Health, Article V., Broward County Regional Emergency Medical Services Council, the Broward County Regional EMS Council met on October 20, 2022, and accepted the Grants Committee's recommendations.

SUMMARY

The Broward County Regional EMS Council, through the Office of Medical Examiner and Trauma Services, recommends approval of the following actions: (1) recommendation for partial funding of three (3) projects; and (2) adoption of the Resolution included with the agenda item providing for County EMS Grant Funds to be used to improve and expand prehospital emergency medical services in Broward County.

Attachment

c: Monica Cepero, County Administrator
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Adam Katzman, Assistant County Attorney
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**Fire Chiefs' Association of Broward County-
26th Annual First There First Care Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Conference**

Funding Requested - \$65,000

Funding Recommended - \$59,500

The Fire Chiefs' Association's 26th Annual First There First Care EMS Conference provides innovative EMS education to more than 500 EMS and nursing professionals working in prehospital and Emergency Department settings. It allows the opportunity for networking, trend and treatment tracking, technology advancements, and provides EMS and Nursing professionals continuing education credits to ensure that Broward County residents and visitors are receiving the best care possible.

**City of Hollywood-
Continuing Education for Prehospital Provider**

Funding Requested - \$36,951

Funding Recommended - \$26,863

The City of Hollywood-Fire Rescue's Continuing Education for Prehospital Providers project offers instruction on prehospital interventions (PHI), including but not limited to, intubation, tourniquet use, cricothyrotomy and Advanced Cardiac Life Support (ACLS) to all Broward County prehospital providers. The training equipment purchased for this project and the training sessions provided through this project will have a countywide benefit to all Broward County EMS agencies and organizations that would like to participate.

**City of Hollywood-
Pediatric Transport Harness**

Funding Requested - \$7,970

Funding Recommended - \$797.00

The City of Hollywood-Fire Rescue's Pediatric Transport Harness project will provide Hollywood Fire Rescue pediatric transport harnesses that accommodate pediatric patients outside of the weight range they are currently equipped for. Their ALS units are currently able to securely transport pediatric patients between 10 lbs. to 40 lbs. This will broaden that range to provide safer transport for pediatric patients. Hollywood Fire Rescue will provide data on usage as a pilot program for the potential to roll this project out countywide in the future.

FY 2023 EMS GRANT FUNDING REQUESTS

Project Number	Project Name	Total Score	Funding Requested	Recommended Funding
23-02	26 th Annual First There First Care EMS Conference	64	\$65,000.00	\$59,500.00
23-01	Continuing Education for Pre-hospital Providers	47	\$36,951.00	\$26,863.00
23-03	Pediatric Transport Harness	42	\$7,970.00	\$797.00
	FY 2023 Grant Funds Available		\$87,160.00	
	Total Funding Requested		\$109,921.00	
	Total Funded		\$87,160.00	
	Total Unfunded		(\$22,761.00)	