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Grant Project	Status Update
<b><u>PENDING GRANT APPLICATIONS</u></b>	<b><u>STATUS</u></b>
1) 04 AFG Fire Prevention and Safety Grant	1) Announcement of Prevention awards will begin in January 2005. If awarded, funds will be used for juvenile fire setters prevention program. The Board approved the Form 11 that authorizes County Fire to apply for the grant on 10/5.
2) Metropolitan Medical Response System Bio-terrorism Preparedness Grant	2) Funds from this grant will go toward equipment for County Fire HazMat.
3) 2005/2006 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)	3) Six CDBG grant applications were submitted to EDA for funding consideration of air bags and/or air chisels for the following fire stations: Station #11 (Lakeland Village), Station #83 (French Valley), Station #59 (Mead Valley), Station #9 (Goodmeadow), Station #13 (Home Gardens), Station #52 (Cottonwood), Station #34 (Winchester), Station #25 (San Jacinto), Station #29 (Anza), Station #72 (Valle Vista), Station #5(Quail Valley), Station #56 (Sky Valley), Station #39 (Thermal), Station #44 (Ripley), Station #49 (Lake Tamarisk), Station #35 (Thousand Palms), Station #43 (Blythe), Station #45 (Blythe Air Force Base), Station #40 (Mecca), Station #41 (North Shore), Station #42 (Oasis), Station #19 (Highgrove), Station #24 (Cabazon), Station #54 (Homeland), and a generator for Station #63 (Poppet Flats).
4) 2004/2005 VFA Supplemental	4) Requesting Vega Viper Interoperability C-Soft consoles and SCBA gear for the following twelve (12) rural fire stations: Cottonwood #52, Poppet Flats #63, Pine Cove #23, Anza #29, Sage #28, Pinyon #30, Gardner Valley #53, Lake Riverside #77, El Cariso #51, Rancho Carrillo #62, Rancho Capistrano #74, and Lakeland Village #11. Grant funds will be awarded in January/February 2005.
5) Continuing Challenge Grant	5) Executive Team has approved. Will apply for grant for HazMat team to attend the Annual Continuing Challenge HazMat Workshop in Sacramento in September 2005.
6) 2005 Pre-Disaster Mitigation Competitive Grant	6) Board authorized RCOFD to apply for the grant. Deadline for submission of grant application has changed to 2/25/05. In the process of securing information for BCA to retrofit Stations #22, #42, and possibly #16 and #40.

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<p>7) Indian Gaming Local Community Benefit Committee (CBC)</p> <p>8) California Office of Traffic Safety Grant</p> <p>9) 05 Homeland Security Grant Program</p>	<p>7) Applications have been submitted to the Indian Tribes. <b><i>Requested the following:</i></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ <b><i>Convert nine (9) existing staffing and engines in casino areas (Stations #20, 24, 25, 26, 35, 36, 72, 81, and 89) to emergency medical/paramedic units that provide basic and advanced life support (paramedic) and transport, automatic external defibrillators, and specialized heavy and helicopter rescue.</i></b></li> <li>✓ <b><i>Staff and equip heavy rescue engines for stations 24, 25, and 35</i></b></li> <li>✓ <b><i>Secure partial funding and staff for new Station #77</i></b></li> </ul> <p>8) Grant application has been submitted to OTS. <b><i>Requested twenty-three air chisels for Stations #1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 7, 8, 12A, 15, 16, 23, 26, 27, 30, 32, 36, 57, 58, 60, 68, 76, 86, and thirteen (13) 50-ton (3 bag) air bag rescue systems for Stations #2, 7, 9, 10, 26, 37, 53, 58, 60, 61, 64, 68, 76, 84, and 87, thirty (30) high-pressure cylinders, one thermal imaging camera and supplies for Station #17, two (2) sets of rope rescue equipment for Stations 51 and 64, and a chain saw for Station #51.</i></b></p> <p>9) The Anti-Terrorism Approval Authority voted for allocations per capita. Eligible participants have been notified and are submitting Letters of Intent. Project Proposal and Single Applications will be distributed this week.</p> <p>County Fire Executive Team will research and recommend projects for their portion of the funding.</p>
<p><b><u>OTHER GRANT FUNDING SOURCES AND REQUESTS</u></b></p> <p>1) Helicopter Hoist and Backup Cable</p> <p>2) Gas Detection Equipment</p>	<p><b><u>STATUS</u></b></p> <p>1) The Executive Team approved rerouting \$110,000 in SHSGP funds to purchase the hoist and cable. A request has been made to begin the process of securing grant approval for the budget change. This process could take up to two months. Also included in the Indian Gaming grant as a backup-funding source.</p> <p>2) In the process of researching grant funding availability for Blythe Battalion. They requested funding for a “four gas monitor.”</p>

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<p>3) Riverside County Community Health Agency - Bio-Terrorism Preparedness Branch</p> <p>4) Enhanced 911 Grants for Wireless Emergency Systems</p> <p>5) GSK/TUMS – First Responder Institute Challenge Grant Program</p> <p>6) 2005 Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program</p> <p>7) Station 52 (Cottonwood)</p>	<p>3) Exploring the possibility of securing grant funding from this source to help find and fund specific training to meet HazMat’s Federal and State certification requirements.</p> <p>4) Grant is provided through the Public Safety Foundation of America. Deadline will be sometime in April 2005 with approximately \$1.95 million in funding availability. The focus of the grant is to fund the implementation of enhanced 911, or wireless 911 technologies, including planning and coordination, equipment and technology upgrades. To assist in deploying this technology in emergency dispatch centers.</p> <p>5) A small maximum \$2,500 firefighting equipment grant for “needy fire departments” with a 50/50 cost share.</p> <p>6) The Assistance to Firefighters Grant (AFG) Program posted today the initial schedule of applicant workshops for the 2005 Fire Grants. This year, the Congress has appropriated over \$600M specifically for Fire Grants. The application period is tentatively scheduled for March 7 to April 8. The Fire Grants for this year are very similar to those from last year. There is little change. One change is that the Congress has directed the program office to award a limited number of grants (on a competitive basis) to Emergency Medical Service (EMS) organizations that are not affiliated with a fire department. <b><u>Received proposal ideas so far from Chief Hyatt, Chief Michael, Chief Paiz, Chief Mason.</u></b></p> <p>7) Submitted request to Cahuilla, Pechanga, Agua Caliente, and Cabazon Indians tribes for Indian Gaming Local Community Benefit Committee grant funding to purchase a new four-door, four-wheel rescue squad with extrication tools and built-in generator.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>GRANTS NOT AWARDED OR SUBMITTED</b></p> <p>1) 2004/2005 Rural Access to Emergency</p>	<p>1) Funds defibrillators. Will not apply, no interest at this time.</p>

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<p>Devices Grant (RAED)</p> <p>2) 04 Assistance to Firefighters Grant</p> <p>3) Public Access Defibrillation Demonstration Projects</p> <p>4) HRSA Rural Emergency Medical Service Training and Equipment Assistance Program</p> <p>5) California Fire Safety Council Clearinghouse</p> <p>6) 2006 Bureau of Land Management WUI Grant</p> <p>7) Station #27 – Extrication Equipment</p> <p>8) Emergency Telephone Notification System</p>	<p>2) Funds for SCBA project. Not awarded.</p> <p>3) County Fire does not want to apply for this grant because funding does not meet internal requirements.</p> <p>4) Applicants must submit a nine-page “pre-application” to HRSA by January 10, 2005. <b>There will be no new competitions available for FY '05.</b></p> <p>5) Will not submit concept paper. Received conditional funding for Oak Glen fuel break project.</p> <p>6) Will not apply. Received conditional funding for Oak Glen fuel break project.</p> <p>7) Did not apply for extrication equipment from Office of Traffic Safety at this time.</p> <p>8) Verizon is unable to provide Riverside County with an Emergency Notification System. If Riverside County is still interested, Verizon’s Public Safety Account Manager will make a referral to the company he was working with and have them work directly with Riverside County.</p>
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COMPLETED GRANTS	OUTCOME
<p>1) State Emergency Medical Services Authority Grant</p> <p>2) EMS Certification</p>	<p>1) Purchased 7 defibrillators.</p> <p>2) Of the 120 paid firefighters eligible to upgrade, 111 (93%) completed the EMS course. Net</p>

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<p>3) May Day 2004 Exercise</p> <p>4) 03/04 OTS Fire Rescue Tools and Equipment</p> <p>5) Wal-Mart Safe Neighborhood Heroes Grant</p>	<p>result – 99% of County Fire paid personnel are trained at the EMT level or higher. 88 volunteer firefighters completed the course. \$238,872 in EMS equipment and supplies was purchased to replace worn training equipment and update training aids for classes. The new equipment and supplies allowed County Fire to build three EMS training caches so that EMS classes may be taught simultaneously at multiple locations throughout Riverside County.</p> <p>3) The County of Riverside Bio Terrorism and Preparedness Branch conducted an Operational Area exercise called “May Day 2004.” The exercise provided: a) an understanding of how available resources respond together to an event, and b) an effective way to evaluate emergency response. Participating agencies were as follows: Cities of Riverside, Palm Springs, Corona, Hemet, Riverside County Sheriff and Fire Departments, and American Medical Response.</p> <p>4) Fire equipment purchased and final reimbursement requested.</p> <p>5) The funds were used to purchase rescue equipment for the volunteer fire squad at Lakeland Village.</p>
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