



WASHOE COUNTY

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STAFF REPORT

BOARD MEETING DATE: July 12, 2022

DATE: Thursday, July 07, 2022

TO: Board of County Commissioners

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SUBJECT: Recommendation to accept a 2023 Nevada State Emergency Response Commission (SERC), Operations, Planning, Training and Equipment (OPTE) grant for [\$28,850.00, no County match required] including funds to be used for food purchases. Grant Term is retroactive to July 1, 2022, through June 30, 2023. If approved, authorize the Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC) Chair to execute grant documents and authorize the County Manager or his designee, to sign the Washoe County Sub-Grant Agreement between Washoe County and the Reno Fire Department (RFD), on behalf of the RFD Urban Search and Rescue (USAR) Team, per NRS 244.1505 in the amount of [\$24,850.00] for one Hardline USAR Task Force Kit; approve Resolution necessary for same; and direct the Comptroller's Office to make the appropriate budget amendments. Manager's Office. (All Commission Districts.) FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

SUMMARY

Washoe County Board of County Commissioners (BCC) is requested to accept a 2023 Nevada State Emergency Response Commission, OPTE grant for [\$28,850.00, no County match required] from the State of Nevada SERC. The Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC) will utilize and subgrant these funds to member entities to provide equipment to local first responders and first receivers. Equipment will allow local first responders be better prepared, as well as efficiently respond to hazardous material related incidents within the region.

Staff is requesting a retroactive approval to July 1, 2022, due to timing of new fiscal year and timing of BCC meeting opportunities.

Washoe County Strategic Objective supported by this item: Economic Impacts - Support a thriving community.

AGENDA ITEM # _____

PREVIOUS ACTION

August 17, 2021 – The BCC accepted a 2022 SERC OPTE grant for \$29,000.00 and authorized the Chairperson to execute a Resolution to subgrant funds to other governments and nonprofits which make up the LEPC.

August 8, 2020 – The BCC accepted a 2021 SERC OPTE grant for \$29,000.00 and authorized the Chairperson to execute a Resolution to subgrant funds to other governments and nonprofits which make up the LEPC.

December 10, 2019 – The BCC accepted a 2020 SERC OPTE grant for \$28,789.00 and authorized the Chairperson to execute a Resolution to subgrant funds to other governments and nonprofits which make up the LEPC.

September 11, 2018 – The BCC accepted a 2019 SERC OPTE grant for \$29,000.00 and authorized the Chairperson to execute a Resolution to subgrant funds to other governments and nonprofits which make up the LEPC.

September 26, 2017 – The BCC accepted a 2018 SERC OPTE grant for \$29,000.00 and authorized the Chairperson to execute a Resolution to subgrant funds to other governments and nonprofits which make up the LEPC.

August 9, 2016 – The BCC accepted a 2017 SERC OPTE grant for \$28,961.00 and authorized the Chairperson to execute a Resolution to subgrant funds to other governments and nonprofits which make up the LEPC.

BACKGROUND

The source of funding is derived from fees collected from the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act (SARA) Title III facilities within the State that store and/or produce hazardous materials. The grant provides funding to the Washoe County LEPC for planning/training initiatives, equipment purchases, and operational costs. This grant allocation intent is to improve state and local governments planning and response capabilities to react to Hazardous Material emergencies and to provide access to information about Hazardous Materials to the public.

GRANT AWARD SUMMARY

Project/Program Name: *2023 Nevada State Emergency Response Commission*

Scope of the Project: *Prevention, mitigation and/or response to hazardous materials incidents.*

Benefit to Washoe County Residents: *The grant will benefit our regional first responders and first receivers with the training necessary to conduct an effective response to Hazardous Materials incidents protecting the lives and properties of County residents.*

On-Going Program Support: *This annual grant opportunity is for specific deliverables. We will continue to apply for funding annually.*

Award Amount: \$28,850.00

Grant Period: July 1, 2022, through June 30, 2023

Funding Source: Funding is derived from fees collected from SARA Title III Facilities within the State that store and/or produce hazardous materials in specific amounts.

Pass Through Entity: State Emergency Response Commission (SERC)

CFDA Number: Not applicable (State Grant)

Grant ID Number: 23-SERC-16-01

Match Amount and Type: No County match required

Sub-Awards and Contracts:

Washoe County will sub-grant \$24,850.00 of these funds to the Reno Fire Department on behalf of the Reno Fire Department Urban Search and Rescue Team, per NRS 244.1505, for (1) Hardline Urban Search and Rescue Task Force Kit-a Two-way Voice Communication and Rescue System and will contract for transcription services with Erin Etcheverria in the amount of \$2,000.00.

FISCAL IMPACT

Should the board accept this grant award and approve these amendments, the FY 23 Emergency Management adopted budget will be increased by \$28,850.00 in both revenues and expenditures in the following accounts:

Cost Object	G/L Account	Amount
Revenue:		
Emergency Management – State Grant	12010- 432100	\$28,850.00
Expenditures:		
Emergency Management – Professional Services	12010- 710100	\$2,000.00
Emergency Management – Operating Supplies	12010- 710300	\$1,500.00
Emergency Management – Food	12010- 710872	\$500.00
Emergency Management – Subrecipient Payments	12010- 710119	\$24,850.00

All expenditures will be on a reimbursement basis. Indirect costs are not allowable on this grant as no salary or wages are included in the grant budget

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board of County Commissioners accept a 2023 Nevada State Emergency Response Commission (SERC), Operations, Planning, Training and Equipment (OPTE) grant for [\$28,850.00, no County match required]. Grant Term is retroactive to July 1, 2022, through June 30, 2023. If approved, authorize the County

Manager or his designee, execute grant documents and to sign the Washoe County Sub-Grant Agreement between Washoe County and the Reno Fire Department (RFD), on behalf of the RFD Urban Search and Rescue (USAR) Team, in the amount of [\$24,850.00]: approve Resolution necessary for same; and direct the Comptroller's Office to make the appropriate budget amendments.

POSSIBLE MOTION

Should the Board agree with staff's recommendation, a possible motion would be:
“Move to accept the recommendation to accept a 2023 Nevada State Emergency Response Commission (SERC), Operations, Planning, Training and Equipment (OPTE) grant for [\$28,850.00, no County match required]. Grant Term is retroactive July 1, 2022, through June 30, 2023. If approved, authorize the Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC) Chair to execute grant documents and authorize the County Manager or his designee, to sign the Washoe County Sub-Grant Agreement between Washoe County and the Reno Fire Department (RFD), on behalf of the RFD Urban Search and Rescue Team, in the amount of [\$24,850.00]: approve Resolution necessary for same; and direct the Comptroller's Office to make the appropriate budget amendments.”