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Broward Regional Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Council
FY 2022 Grant Ranking Meeting
October 7, 2021
1:30 p.m.
MINUTES - Skype

Call to Order

Alison Zerbe, Staff, called meeting to order at 1:34 pm.

Self-Introductions

Due to COVID-19 this was a Skype meeting. Those in attendance were:

Dr. Frederick Keroff, Dr. John Halpern, Joanne Richter, Candace Pineda for EMS Ranking Committee

Bruce Caruso, for 25th Annual First There First Care EMS Conference, Fire Chiefs' Association

Chief Rodney Turpel, for 25th Annual First There First Care EMS Conference, Fire Chiefs' Association

Chief Tony Chin, for Pre-Hospital Ventilator, Coconut Creek Fire Rescue

Chief Juan Cardona, for Automated Compression Device and Handtevy Bags for CSPFD, Coral Springs Parkland Fire Department

Alison Zerbe and Michele Bachmann, Staff

Public Comments

No comments.

Conflicts of Interest

No conflicts.

Announcements

1. Grant Ranking Committee provides recommendations to EMS Council, and Board of County Commissioners regarding disbursement of the FY 2022 County grant funds with final approval from Florida Department of Health.
2. The Florida Department of Health EMS Matching Grant information has been posted. <http://www.floridahealth.gov/provider-and-partner-resources/ems-grants/index.html>

Approval of Minutes from October 7, 2020

MOTION TO ACCEPT the minutes made by Dr. Frederick Keroff and **SECONDED** by Joanne Richter.

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MOTION Passed Unanimously.

Status of 2021 Projects

1. Alison Zerbe reported on last year's FY 2021 Projects. COVID delayed the FY2020 projects, but they received approval from the State to rollover to FY2021.

2020 Projects:

1. 24th Annual First There First Care EMS Conference – for 2020 has been paid and should receive the funds within 30 days.
2. Pre-hospital Training and Education – for 2020 partial payment have been completed and invoices still being received; project is ongoing.
3. iSTOP – for 2020 project Stop the Bleed to the areas of the county that have the most penetrating trauma. The project is ongoing, and payment has been complete for approximately \$16,000 of the \$20,000 they received; approximately \$4,000 left.

2021 Projects:

1. 24th Annual First There First Care EMS Conference – for 2020 has been paid and should receive the funds within 30 days.
2. Pre-hospital Training and Education – for 2020 partial payment have been completed and invoices still being received; project is ongoing.
3. Pre-hospital Ventilator through Tamarac; they are paid in full and should receive funds within 30 days.
4. Ballistic Protective Equipment through Pompano; that project is still pending, and A. Zerbe reached out to Pompano to send invoices.

Any current funds need to be expended before mid-December. Otherwise, they have to get approved to rollover and that is not 100 percent guaranteed.

The FY 2020 had already allocated those funds to certain projects and those projects weren't completed. A. Zerbe spoke with the project managers and the State, and they allowed for them to do projects in 2021.

It looked like there were some unexpended funds before A. Zerbe and also her first year. She went to accounting and checked; it looked like there was unexpended funds but when they opened the accounts nothing was there.

Any unexpended funds they had in 2020 and 2021 will be reconciled at the end of this year. If they are not rolled over for the projects they are currently working with they will

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be able to put the funds towards future projects. The Grant Committee will vote on that at a later date.

For FY 2022 the Grant Committee received instructions for ranking and scored the applications before this meeting. Multiple agency and countywide projects received bonus points.

Proposal 1

The first proposal recommendation came from Dr. John Halpern who recommended that Grant #22-04 25th Annual First There First Care EMS Conference receive \$50,000.00, and Grant #22-01 Automated Compression Device and Grant #22-03 Pre-hospital ventilator split the remainder \$25,495.00 between them. Grant #22-02 MCI Triage Bags would not be funded.

Joanne Richter agreed with this.

Proposal 2

1. Grant #22-04 – 25th Annual First There First Care EMS Conference (Fire Chief’s Association of Broward County) – Requested \$75,000.00 – Received **62.0 points – (score #1)**

They are willing to take partial funding which will go towards scholarships to Broward paramedics, hospital nursing, and private providers.

This project was recommended for **\$37,500.00**.

MOTION to fund the 25th Annual First There First Care EMS Conference for \$37,500.00.

Motion made by: Dr. F. Keroff

Seconded: Joanne Richter

MOTION Passed: Unanimously

2. Grant #22-01 – Automated Compression Device and Handtevy Bags for CSPFD (Coral Springs Parkland Fire Department) – Requested \$26,180.60 – Received **44.00 points – (score #2)**

One Lucas device is about \$20,000.00 and the rest of the money is for Handtevy Bags.

This project was recommended for **\$20,000.00**

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MOTION to fund the Automated Compression Device and Handtevy Bags for CSPFD for \$20,000.00.

Motion made by: Dr. F. Keroff

Seconded: Joanne Richter

MOTION Passed: Unanimously

3. Grant #22-03 – Pre-Hospital Ventilator (Coconut Creek Fire Rescue) – Requested \$33,749.91 – Received **40.00 points – (score #3)**

The ventilator \$3,704.99 and they are asking for nine. The goal is for the battalion chiefs to have equipment on their vehicles right now and for rescue units, incoming units, and mutual aid, to have the helmets and gear when going out.

MOTION to fund the Pre-Hospital Ventilator for **\$17,995.00**

Motion made by: Dr. F. Keroff

Seconded: Joanne Richter

MOTION Passed: Unanimously

4. Grant #22-02 – MCI Triage Bags (Oakland Park Fire Rescue) – Requested \$53,492.40 – Received **29.00 points – (score #4)**

This project was recommended for **\$0**.

MOTION to fund MCI Triage Bags for \$0.

Motion made by: Dr. F. Keroff

Seconded: Joanne Richter

For FY 2022 EMS Grant Funding three out of four projects were recommended for partial funding:

MOTION Passed: Unanimously

Next Meeting Dates

2021 for FY 2022 Grant Process – TBD

October 21, 2021 at 1:30 for EMS Council meeting

Adjourned

1:58 PM

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