



City of Oceanside

300 North Coast Highway,
Oceanside, California 92054

Staff Report

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TO: Honorable Mayor and City Councilmembers

FROM: Fire Department

TITLE: APPROVAL TO ACCEPT \$340,747 IN GRANT FUNDS FROM THE ASSISTANCE TO FIREFIGHTERS GRANT

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that the City Council accept \$340,747 in grant funds from the 2023 Assistance to Firefighters Grant (AFG) awarded to the City; appropriate these funds to the Fire Department; and authorize the City Manager, or designee, to execute all related grant documents.

BACKGROUND AND ANALYSIS

The AFG Program provides financial assistance to eligible fire departments, non-affiliated emergency medical service organizations, and State Fire Training Academies for critical training and equipment.

The City of Oceanside has been awarded \$340,747 in reimbursable grant funds through the AFG Program, with a performance period from August 13, 2024, to August 12, 2026. As a condition of this award, the City is required to contribute a fund match of \$34,075 in non-federal funds, representing 10 percent of the federal funds awarded. The 10 percent cost-sharing requirement under the AFG Program is based on the population served and protected by the City of Oceanside, which falls within the range of 20,000 to 1,000,000 people.

The Fire Department will use the \$374,822 to purchase Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus units with harnesses and accessories, cylinders, and face pieces. These items will replace outdated and non-compliant respiratory equipment, bringing the department into compliance with National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) 1981/1982 standards, as well as National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH), and Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) regulations. The new safety equipment will enhance the Department's ability to provide safer responses to the City and surrounding organizations, with advanced features such as heads-up displays, integrated communications speakers, and quick-connect cylinders, all of which improve firefighter survivability and communication capabilities.

FISCAL IMPACT

The grant follows a 90/10 split, where the federal share covers 90 percent, or \$340,747, and the City's share covers 10 percent, or \$34,075, of the federal share.

The \$340,747 in grant funds will be deposited and appropriated to accounts 817144024273.4382 and 817144024273.5330.

The matching fund requirement of \$34,075 will be charged to Suppression Account 550552101.5330 which has a current available balance of \$204,778. Therefore, sufficient funds are available.

Description	Appropriate	Account
2023 AFG	\$340,747	Revenue 817144024273.4382 Expenditure 817144024273.5330

COMMISSION OR COMMITTEE REPORT

The Police and Fire Commission will be informed of the funding award at its regularly scheduled meeting on March 30, 2025.

CITY ATTORNEY'S ANALYSIS

The referenced documents have been reviewed by the City Attorney and approved as to form.

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Reviewed by: David Parsons, Fire Chief

Submitted by: Jonathan Borrego, City Manager

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Staff Report
2. Award Letter