

# Oregon Volunteer Firefighters Association

## Grant Program

### Description

Each year, OVFA will offer grant funds in the amount of \$8,000 to support member fire departments as they strive to meet the demands of providing quality public service. These grants will be divided into two grant periods offered in April and October.

Priority will be given to programs that were designed to provide maximum cost to benefit relationships. Programs, for example, that involve neighboring fire department staff in training opportunities will be given precedence over a program that impacts very few responders.

Financial need will also be a deciding factor in the selection of a winning application. A worthy program from a fire agency with verifiable financial need will be given consideration even in the absence of matching funds.

Grants Offered are:

Equipment - \$2000.00 each period – for a total of \$4000.00 per year.

Training - \$2000.00 each period – for a total of \$4000.00 per year.

Currently available is a grant for Public Education Programs totaling \$3000.00 which will be made available until funding is depleted. Application period and awarding will follow the same guidelines as the Equipment and Training Grants.

The committee may, in special circumstances or in response to a particularly worthy application, chose to exceed the \$2,000 of the grant period in order to fund a well conceived and directed program.

Each application will consist of the answers to general questions and category specific questions, as well as the program narrative.

OVFA will rank all eligible applications based on the answers to the category specific questions. The selection committee will then review these answers in combination with the project narratives to ascertain the financial need of the applicant and the benefits to be gained from the programs' implementation and completion. The narratives will serve to verify the answers to category specific questions. Discrepancies found between the two components of the application will result in a reduction of the final score.

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**Application Checklist**

**Organization Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

<b>To Complete the Application, Have You:</b>	
Completed the Grant Application?	<input type="checkbox"/>
Authorized representative signed the Grant Application?	<input type="checkbox"/>
Completed the Program Budget Form?	<input type="checkbox"/>
Authorized representative signed the Budget Form?	<input type="checkbox"/>
Completed the General Questionnaire for all applicants?	<input type="checkbox"/>
Completed Category Specific Questionnaire for all categories being applied for?	<input type="checkbox"/>
Completed a Project Narrative that provides detailed information for all categories being applied for? (3 page limit)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sent an original and two copies of the completed application package?	<input type="checkbox"/>
Mailed the application package for delivery to the OVFA business office by (deadline?)	<input type="checkbox"/>

NOTE: No late or incomplete applications will be reviewed.