



# Staff Report

City Council

Item No. {{section.number}}.E

**Meeting Date:** August 14, 2024

**From:** Michael Contreras, Fire Chief

**Title:** Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Assistance to Firefighters Grant (AFG) FEMA AFG Grant

**RECOMMENDATION:**

To accept an Assistance to Firefighters (AFG) grant from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) in the amount of \$154,607.27 and authorize \$15,460.73 in local match funds.

**BACKGROUND:**

The Fire Department submitted an application for the Fiscal Year (FY) 2023 Assistance to Firefighters Grant (AFG) and has been approved in the amount of \$154,607.27 in federal funding. As a condition of this grant, it is required that the city contribute non-federal funds equal to or greater than 10.0% of the federal funds awarded, or \$15,460.73 for a total approved budget of \$170,068.00.

**DISCUSSION:**

The Assistance to Firefighters Grant (AFG) will be dedicated to the fire department wellness programs, focusing on the health and well-being of our firefighters. This grant will cover initial physicals for all personnel, mental health screening, cancer screening and wellness training.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

Staff will utilize existing budget allocation to cover the grant match.

	DESCRIPTION	GENERAL LEDGER ACCOUNT CODES	PROJECT CODE	AMOUNT	ONE TIME or ONGOING
2024-2025	Health Screening	Fund 259	G0XXXX	\$154,607.27	One-time
2024-2025	Health Screening	Fund 100	G0XXXX	15,460.73	One-time

2024-2025	Total			\$170,068.00	
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**FIVE-YEAR STRATEGIC PLAN:**

Goal D – INNOVATION

Objective: Cathedral City continually focusses on improving service delivery and customer experiences by successfully leveraging technology and creative initiatives to improve public services, public safety, and stimulate economic growth.

D-7 Implement innovative community-based Fire Prevention programs regarding Drowning, Smoke Alarm Installation, Paramedic Services, Fall Prevention, and CPR.

Goal E - SAFETY

Objective: Cathedral City is safe for all who live, work, visit, and play in our community.

E-4 Strengthen the City's ability to prepare for, respond to, and recover from disasters by reviewing and updating the City's Emergency Operations Plans through annual training sessions and tabletop exercises.

**ATTACHMENTS:**

1. EMW-2023-FG-02826-Award Package