

Financial Assistance Review Committee (FARC)
Quarterly Meeting
Courtyard Marriott
Glen Allen, Virginia
August 6, 2015
1:00 PM

Members Present:	Members Absent:	Administration Staff:	Staff/Other Guests:
Robert Trimmer, Chairman	Barbara Brown	Amanda Davis	Damien Coy
Dan Norville		Linwood Pulling	Billy Ferguson
Mark Nugent			John Korman
Curtis Sheets			
Karen Wagner			

Topic/Subject	Discussion	Recommendations, Action/Follow-up; Responsible Person
I. Approval of 05/07/2015 Meeting Minutes	Robert Trimmer, made a motion to approve the minutes from the May 7, 2015 meeting.	No further action is required
II. Grants Unit A) Payments processed May – July 2015	The grants unit processed 38 payments totaling \$1,800,000.00 between May and July 2015.	No further action is required
III. Grant Manager Report: A) Quarterly Grant Report	This information can be found in the OEMS Quarterly Report to the State EMS Advisory Board dated Friday, August 7, 2015. The RSAF deadline for the Spring 2015 grant cycle was March 15, 2015. OEMS received 152 grant applications requesting \$10,724,108.00. Grants were awarded on July 1, 2015 in the amount of \$5,068,323,88 to 115 agencies. The following agency categories were awarded finding for this grant cycle; 66 Volunteer Agencies were awarded \$2,748,468.00 and 49 Governmental Agencies were awarded \$2,319,856.00. The following EMS regional areas were awarded funding in the following amounts: Blue Ridge EMS Council – 6 agencies awarded \$429,262.00; Central Shenandoah EMS Council – 7 agencies awarded \$235,391.00; Lord Fairfax EMS Council – 7 agencies awarded \$620,241.00; Northern Virginia EMS Council – 5 agencies awarded \$88,626.00; Old Dominion EMS Alliance – 21 agencies awarded \$966,903.00; Peninsulas EMS Council – 17 agencies awarded \$812,048.00; Rappahannock EMS Council – 11 agencies awarded \$379,343.00; Southwestern Virginia EMS Council – 11 agencies awarded \$448,811.00; Thomas Jefferson EMS Council – 5 agencies awarded \$86,546.00; Tidewater EMS Council – 10 agencies awarded \$411,110.00 and Western Virginia EMS Council – 14 agencies awarded \$590,044.00. RSAF Grants	No further action is required

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B) E-Gift Updates	<p>awarded by the following item categories: 12-Lead Defibrillators - \$723,416.00; Audio Visual and Computer Hardware - \$2,445,848.00; Communications - \$199,792.00; Emergency Operations - \$21,292.00; BLS & ALS Equipment - \$1,005,047.00; Special Projects - \$143,326.00; Training - \$64,827.00 and Vehicles - \$2,815,722.00.</p> <p>The Fall 2015 grant cycle will open August 1, 2015 with a submission deadline of September 15, 2015. The grants will be awarded on January 1, 2016.</p> <p>The E-GIFT is almost completed for all phases outlined in the initial project proposal. E-GIFT has provided a more efficient and effective process for implementing OEMS grants along with reducing redundancy in grant maintenance for applicants and OEMS grant staff. E-GIFT is required for all grant submissions and grant requirements, including any emergency grant applications, grant correspondence and invoice submissions. We are now able to personalize reports and submit upon request.</p>	No further action is required
IV. RSAF A) Change Order 8 – July 1, 2015 (Cot Retention Systems) B) Emergency Grant	<p>Change Notice 8 from the General Services Administration (GSA) became effective July 1, 2015 and requires the construction of a patient loading and transport system (cot retention system) within all new ambulances. Because of this directive, all RSAF grant applications that are requesting new ambulances must submit a quote from the vendor to include the construction of a cot retention system in all new ambulances.</p> <p>Lebanon Life Saving Crew was awarded 1 new engine for their existing ambulance (2008 Ambulance) at a 100/0 (state/agency) funding level for \$19,650.70 on May 20, 2015. This agency was not in a financial position to purchase this engine and this vehicle being out of service was a detriment to patient care in Russell County.</p>	No further action is required
V. Open Discussion	FARC had questions about the emergency grant process. Mrs. Davis went over the whole process from what constitutes an emergency grant, to submitting the grant, to approval or denial of the grant.	No further action is required
VI. Adjournment	Robert Trimmer, FARC Chair moved to have the meeting adjourned	The next quarterly meeting will take place at the OEMS 2015 Symposium in Norfolk, Virginia in November, 2015.