

CITY OF YUBA CITY
STAFF REPORT

Date: November 20, 2018
To: Honorable Mayor & Members of the City Council
From: Fire Department
Presentation By: Peter H. Daley, Fire Chief

Summary

Subject: 2018 Homeland Security Grant

Recommendation:

- A. Authorize the acceptance of the 2018 Homeland Security Grant in the amount of \$41,000.
- B. Approve supplemental adjustment to the Fire Department's revenue account #100-43419 in the amount of \$41,000.
- C. Approve supplemental adjustment to the Fire Department's expenditure account #2328-63801 in the amount of \$41,000 for the purchase of six gas monitors, twelve dry suits and six automatic external defibrillators for Fire Department operations and response.

Fiscal Impact: Money spent on authorized purchases will be 100% reimbursed by the State under the Homeland Security Grant.

Purpose:

Enhance Fire Department emergency response and firefighter safety.

Background:

In an effort for local agencies to be better prepared to deal with weapons of mass destruction and the threat of terrorism, the Federal Department of Homeland Security, in conjunction with the State of California, has allocated funding to be distributed to all of the counties and local agencies within the State under the 2018 Homeland Security Grant program.

The goal, as in the case of earlier disaster preparedness/homeland security grants, is to provide first responders with the tools to better deal with natural disasters, as well as man-made emergencies.

Analysis:

After careful review by staff members of the Yuba City Fire Department, we have identified equipment purchases that will enhance our Department's operational capability to respond to emergencies.

If approved, the Yuba City Fire Department recommends that the funds be used to purchase six gas monitors (\$9,000) for use on all first out fire engines and Battalion Chief's command vehicle, twelve dry suits (\$14,000) for use by our Advanced Technical Rescue Team, and six automatic external defibrillators (\$18,000) for emergency medical responses.

Fiscal Impact:

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Alternatives:

Do not approve the grant award and direct Fire Department staff to research alternate funding sources for the purchase of the above-mentioned equipment.

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