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Session 2
Administration Management



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State Firefighters' & Fire Marshals' Association of Texas
Promote, Unify, Represent, and Educate The Fire Service of Texas



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About me...

- 27 Years In Fire Service
- 17 Years As Chief
- 13 Years SFFMA Executive Director
- 2014 International Association of Fire Chief's Association Fire Chief of Year Recipient
- 2012 IAFC John Buckman Leadership Award
- Certifications – SFFMA FF I, II, Officer, Driver/Operator, Investigator / TCFP – Advanced Fire Investigator, Instructor II, Head of Department
- Education – Bachelors & Masters Degree in Business Administration




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- **What's available?**
 - Department of Homeland Security
 - AFG – Assistance to Firefighters Grant - \$345mil
 - SAFER – Staffing for Adequate Fire and Emergency Response Grants - \$345mil
 - Fire Prevention and Safety Grants - \$34.5mil
 - Fire Station Construction Grant (no longer offered)

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- **Texas A&M Forest Service**
 - Rural Volunteer Fire Dept. Assistance Program (HB2604)- \$17million per year
 - Rural VFD Insurance Program (HB3667)
 - Fire Department Motor Vehicle Self Insurance Program






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- **Texas A&M Forest Service**
 - Helping Hands Program
 - Federal Excess Personal Property Program
 - DoD Firefighter Property Program





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US Department of Agriculture
Community Facilities Direct Loan & Grant Program

- This program provides affordable funding to develop essential community facilities in rural areas. An essential community facility is defined as a facility that provides an essential service to the local community for the orderly development of the community in a primarily rural area, and does not include private, commercial or business undertakings.




Funding for:

- Public safety services such as fire departments, police stations, prisons, police vehicles, fire trucks, public works vehicles or equipment






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- **Department of Health and Human Services**
 - Grants for EMS supplies, AEDs, Radios
- **Texas Rural/Frontier EMS Funding through TX DOT**
 - Initial EMS training
 - Refresher Training
 - Continuing Education



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- **Local/Regional Grants**
 - Regional Advisory Councils (RACs)
- **Foundations**
 - Temple Inland
- **Private Organizations**
 - SFFMA
 - VFIS



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- **Co-Op Purchasing Groups - allows someone else to have already done the bidding process**
 - Houston Galveston Area Council
 - SAVVIK





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- **How do we get the funds?**
 - Application
 - State of Texas Charter number
 - Federal Tax Identification Number (TIN)
 - Response area boundaries
 - DUNS number
 - Bank account information
 - Annual reports/Registration in SAM.gov (system for award management)
 - W-9



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Parts of the Grant

- **Essential info**
 - Local vs State/National Stats
- **Projects**
 - Who is administering the grant?
- **Narratives**
 - Partnerships?
 - Target Audience (High Risk Audiences)



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- Financial Need Statements
- Cost/Benefit Analysis
- Cost/Resident
- Accounting For The Funds!
- Evaluation



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Points That Hit Home

- Make it personable
- True stories on grant request examples
- Financial Burdens to the agency
- Information must be accurate
- Participation in a NFPA Firefighter I/II training/certification program
- Promote your grant in the community – Press Release!



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- **Resources:**
- <http://www.fema.gov/welcome-assistance-firefighters-grant-program>
- <http://texasforestservice.tamu.edu/RuralVFDAssistanceProgram/>
- <http://texasforestservice.tamu.edu/RuralVFDInsuranceProgram/>
- <http://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/community-facilities-direct-loan-grant-program>