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South Dakota Firefighters Assn., Inc.

Volunteer Firefighter Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) Grant Program Application

Information required to be included with application:

Fire Department Name:

NERIS ID:

Federal Employer Identification Number (FEIN):

Mailing Address:

City, State, Zip:

Grant Point of Contact Name:

Grant Primary Point of Contact Email Address:

Grant Primary Point of Contact Phone Number:

Grant Secondary Point of Contact Name:

Grant Secondary Point of Contact Email Address:

Grant Secondary Point of Contact Phone Number:

Primary Area of Response (counties served):

Number of Career Firefighters:

Number of Volunteer Firefighters:

Purchase description

Funding requested amount:

Provide a detailed explanation for the proposed purchase of funding request. If the purchase is for equipment or services the department has never had before, please explain why this particular equipment or services is needed now.

Provide estimated total operating annual income and expenditures for current year.

Why can't your department fund this purchase?

If you are replacing existing items, provide a short explanation of why they need to be replaced (example: current equipment is old, worn out, out of NFPA compliance, etc.)

Include any other information to strengthen or support your application.

Is your department certified by the State Fire Marshal? Yes ___ No ___

Was your department previously awarded a PPE grant from 2023 HB1127? Yes ___ No ___

Applicants are aware of the issues of PPE containing PFAS (per-/polyfluoroalkyl substances) and will evaluate any gear purchased with this grant to help minimize their firefighter's exposure to PFAS. Yes ___ No ___

Please complete the current PPE situation survey & request details below.

This survey below is in Windows Excel format & PDF fillable

	Number of Firefighters that do not have this item.	Number of firefighters that have this item, but items are over 10 years old or in inoperable condition.	Average age of items to be replaced.	Reimbursable dollar amount allowed per item	Total number of items requested:	Total dollar amount allowed for items
Structure Firefighting PPE:						
<i>Bunker Pants</i>				\$1,400.00		
<i>Bunker Coat</i>				\$1,800.00		
<i>Gloves</i>				\$100.00		
<i>Helmet</i>				\$400.00		
<i>Hood Shroud</i>				\$110.00		
<i>Suspenders</i>				\$25.00		
<i>Boots</i>				\$480.00		
Total Amount Requested						
Wildland Firefighting PPE:						
<i>Pants</i>				\$150.00		
<i>Shirt</i>				\$150.00		
<i>Helmet</i>				\$100.00		
<i>Neck Shroud</i>				\$75.00		
<i>Gloves</i>				\$35.00		
<i>Boots</i>				\$350.00		
<i>Goggles</i>				\$50.00		
<i>Fire Shelter</i>				\$440.00		
Total Amount Requested						
Specialized/Rescue PPE:						
<i>Jacket</i>				\$450.00		
<i>Pants</i>				\$450.00		
<i>Gloves</i>				\$50.00		
<i>Goggles</i>				\$30.00		
<i>Boots</i>				\$350.00		
<i>Helmet</i>				\$180.00		
Total Amount Requested						
Other? (Fill in):						
Total Amount Requested						
SCBAs:	Total Number on Department	Number older than 15 years				
<i>SCBA</i>				\$9,000.00		
<i>Spare Bottles</i>				\$1,000.00		
Total Amount Requested						
Grand Total						

Volunteer Firefighter Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) Grant Funding Overview

Description

The SD Volunteer Firefighter Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) Grant program provides funding authorized by SB 136 from the 2026 SD Legislative Session for volunteer fire departments to purchase needed firefighter PPE.

Eligible volunteer fire departments must be a SD Certified Fire Department per the SD State Fire Marshal's Office and have a membership comprised of at least 70% volunteer firefighters. The requesting fire department does not need to be a member of the South Dakota Firefighters Association.

All PPE purchased must meet current NFPA or other nationally recognized standards.

Equipment eligible for this program includes but may not be limited to:

- Structural personal protective equipment – helmets, shroud, gloves, coats, pants, suspenders and boots.
- Rescue personal protective equipment – jacket, pants, helmets, gloves, boots and goggles.
- Wildland personal protective equipment – helmets, shroud, goggles, gloves, shirt, pants, boots & fire shelters.
- Self-contained breathing apparatus and one spare tank per unit.
- Other personal protective gear that may be required by individual volunteer fire departments – chain saw chaps, ice rescue suits, traffic safety vests, etc.

Equipment not eligible for this program includes but may not be limited to:

- Wildland backpacks, flashlights, other gear not determined to be PPE. (If you have questions, contact the Fire Marshal's Office)

Project Timeline/Application Deadlines

Applications must be received by **August 1, 2026**.

Any unallocated funding will be awarded through additional application periods until funding is depleted.

Funding/Reimbursement

PPE expenses can be submitted for and reimbursement once the PPE order is received and the VFD has an invoice from the vendor. Departments will need to submit the completed Reimbursement Request Form (included with the project agreement packet once awarded) and the supporting invoices to the State Fire Marshal's Office. No grant reimbursements will be made directly to the vendor.

Project Completion

All projects must be completed no later than **18** months from the agreement start date.

Email or mail completed application to:

Email: fireinfo@state.sd.us

or

Mailing Address: SD State Fire Marshal's Office
221 S. Central Ave.
Pierre, SD 57501

By signing below, I affirm that the information contained herein is accurate, and I understand that by making a false statement in this application, I am subject to the penalties of perjury pursuant to SDCL 22-29-1.

Fire Chief Signature: _____ Date: _____

****If you have any additional supporting documents you would like to include, please attach them to your email after submitting the PDF form.**