

# CITY COUNCIL REPORT



Meeting Date: **September 13, 2022**  
General Plan Element: **Public Services & Facilities**  
General Plan Goal: **Provide a safe environment for all citizens, visitors, and private interests**

## **ACTION**

If awarded adopt Resolution No. 12592 authorizing:

1. If awarded, acceptance in Fiscal Year 2022/23 Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Assistance Fire Fighter (AFG) grant funds, up to the amount of \$848,313 beginning FY 2022/23.
2. Fire Chief Tom Shannon or designee to conduct all negotiations and to execute and submit all documents and other necessary or desirable instruments in connection with the acceptance of a FEMA grant.
3. A budget transfer, up to the amount of \$771,194 from the adopted FY 2022/23 Future Grants Budget and/or Grant Contingency Budget to a newly created grant operating center to record the related AFG Grant activity. The transfer is to cover the first year period beginning FY2022/23, to be funded by the grant.
4. A budget transfer, up to the amount of \$77,119, from the FY 2022/23 adopted General Fund Operating Contingency to the Fire Department's operating budget to cover the 10% required grant match.

## **BACKGROUND**

The Scottsdale Fire Department (SFD) is seeking FEMA AFG funding for a comprehensive cancer screening program. This proposed cancer screening program is the remaining item SFD requires to meet all Priority 1 activities for a complete Wellness and Fitness program. Firefighters are at increased risk for occupational cancer, and cancer screening is important in ensuring the health and safety of our firefighters.

Despite improved personal protective equipment and decontamination protocols, cancer remains the leading cause of death among firefighters. SFD places a large emphasis on the health and wellness of its members and a cancer screening program which meets NFPA 1582 standards. Treating early-stage cancer is not only less costly, but also allows for improved prognosis and outcomes, allowing the firefighter to return to work.

Lastly, with the increasing number of cancer deaths among firefighters, occupational cancer is a real fear among firefighters. A cancer screening program will not only ease current firefighter fears and anxiety, but a cancer awareness program will also improve recruitment and retention.

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The cancer screening program will include: Oncology consult for all firefighters to review each firefighter's occupational exposure history, medical history, and family history; dermatology consult and full body skin examination for all firefighters to screen for skin cancer; whole-body MRI for all firefighters age 40 and above to screen for cancer of the brain, head and neck, thyroid, lung and pleura, breast, kidneys, pancreas, bladder, uterus, and prostate, as well as multiple myeloma.

**ANALYSIS & ASSESSMENT**

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**Recent Staff Action**

If awarded, this AFG grant will reduce the risk of negative health outcomes amongst city firefighters by providing comprehensive cancer screening and should lead to a healthier firefighter work force.

**OPTIONS & STAFF RECOMMENDATION**

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**Recommended Approach**

If awarded, adopt Resolution No.12592 authorizing:

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**RESPONSIBLE DEPARTMENT(S)**

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Fire Department

**STAFF CONTACT(S)**

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**APPROVED BY**

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8/29/2022  
Date

 for Judy Doyle  
Judy Doyle, Budget Director  
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8/29/2022  
Date

  
Jim Thompson, City Manager  
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8-30-2022  
Date

**ATTACHMENTS**

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1. Resolution No. 12592

RESOLUTION NO. 12592

A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SCOTTSDALE, MARICOPA COUNTY, ARIZONA, AUTHORIZING, IF AWARDED, THE ACCEPTANCE OF A FISCAL YEAR 2022/23 FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY (FEMA) ASSISTANCE FIRE FIGHTER (AFG) GRANT FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$848,313 WITH A TEN PERCENT REQUIRED MATCH.

WHEREAS, the City of Scottsdale has applied for a \$848,313 grant with a 10% match requirement from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Assistance Fire Fighter (AFG) for a fire fighter cancer screening program; and

WHEREAS, acceptance of this grant, if awarded, will enhance the City's ability to ensure a healthier fire fighter work force.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Scottsdale, Maricopa County, Arizona, as follows:

Section 1. Authorize, if awarded, acceptance in Fiscal Year 2022/23 Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Assistance Fire Fighter (AFG) grant funds, in the total amount of \$848,313.

Section 2. Fire Chief Tom Shannon or designee to conduct all negotiations and to execute and submit all documents and other necessary or desirable instruments in connection with the acceptance of a FEMA grant.

Section 3. A budget transfer, up to the amount of \$771,194 from the adopted FY 2022/23 Future Grants Budget and/or Grant Contingency Budget to a newly created grant operating center to record the related AFG grant activity.

Section 4. A budget transfer up to the amount of \$77,119 from the FY 2022/23 adopted General Fund Operating Contingency to the Fire Department's operating budget to cover the 10% required grant match.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Scottsdale this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2022.

CITY OF SCOTTSDALE, an  
Arizona municipal corporation,

ATTEST:

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David D. Ortega, Mayor

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Ben Lane, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

  
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Sherry R. Scott City Attorney

By: Luis E. Santaella, Deputy City Attorney

ATTACHMENT 1