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# Memorandum

**DATE:** January 3, 2020  
**TO:** Michigan Fire Service  
**CC:** Michigan Fire Fighters Training Council  
**FROM:** Kevin J. Sehlmeier, State Fire Marshal/Director  
**SUBJECT:** FY20 Michigan Fire Fighters Training Council Grant Program

On December 5, 2019, the Michigan Fire Fighters Training Council (MFFTC) voted to implement for the third year a grant program to enhance firefighter training statewide. As of January 1, 2020, all returned and/or unencumbered (not committed for a specific course) FY20 (October 1, 2019 through September 30, 2020) fireworks safety funds will be used to fund the grant program.

## **FY20 MFFTC Grant Program Requirements:**

Grant applications must meet the following requirements to be considered by the MFFTC. Preference will be given to individual fire department applications meeting the below criteria.

1. The applicant must have submitted monthly fire/incident reports to the Bureau of Fire Services through the National Fire Incident Reporting System (NFIRS) and maintain reporting for 12 consecutive months at all times.
2. The application must be for training delivered or new equipment/prop purchase after February 21, 2020. Applications to retroactively fund previously run courses and/or training equipment/props delivered before February 21, 2020 will not be considered.
3. The requested funding amount must not exceed \$10,000.00.
4. Grants will be given preference for training that involves hands-on firefighting skills or the purchase of equipment/prop(s) that develop and expand firefighting skills.

### **FY20 MFFTC Training/Equipment/Prop Grant Application Questions:**

1. Please share (using 50 words or less) what you intend to do with your FY20 MFFTC Training/Equipment/Props Grant and how you will use this training and/or equipment/prop?
2. How much money are you requesting to fund your grant?
3. Please share in detail (using 500 words or less):
  - a. Why this FY20 MFFTC Training/Equipment/Props Grant is important to elevating or expanding the firefighting skills of your members?
  - b. How long has your department been pursuing this training opportunity or trying to obtain the equipment/prop?
  - c. Have you pursued other grants or funding options? If yes, please explain.

### **FY20 MFFTC Grant Program Deadlines, Review and Award Process:**

All FY20 MFFTC Training/Equipment/Props Grant Applications must be signed by the fire chief and submitted to [LARA-BFS-GRANTS@michigan.gov](mailto:LARA-BFS-GRANTS@michigan.gov) by 5:00 p.m. on January 31, 2020. Any grant application received after the deadline will not be considered.

All FY20 MFFTC Training/Equipment/Props Grant Applications received by 5:00 pm on January 31, 2020 will be reviewed by the Bureau of Fire Services' staff for completeness prior to the MFFTC work session on February 11, 2020. Only grant applications that meet the above listed requirements will be forwarded to the MFFTC for consideration. Grant applications that exceed the required word count will not be considered.

The MFFTC will consider FY20 MFFTC Training/Equipment/Props Grant Applications that qualify during the morning work session on February 11, 2020, taking into consideration the completeness and detail of the grant application questions. The MFFTC will formally vote on the training grant applications awards during the regular meeting on February 11, 2020 beginning at 1:30 p.m.

### **Awarded Grants:**

Grants awarded can be used to fund any MFFTC curriculum or Q-Course previously approved/adopted prior to February 12, 2020. *Please note: Q-Courses that are not currently approved by the MFFTC must be submitted on a [Q-Course Application](#) (Form BFS-201). To be considered on the agenda for the MFFTC regular meeting on February 11, 2020, all Q-Course Applications must be received by 5:00 p.m. on January 28, 2020.*

All approved grant funded courses must be completed by September 30, 2020. All training equipment and/or props funded using FY20 grant funds must be received by September 30, 2020. The BFS-250 and all student rosters must also be completed by September 30, 2020. All signed training rosters must be returned to bureau by October 2, 2020.

# FY20 MFFTC TRAINING/EQUIPMENT/PROPS GRANT APPLICATION

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 Bureau of Fire Services, PO Box 30700, Lansing, MI 48909  
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 Phone: 517-241-8847

Please see the FY20 Michigan Fire Fighters Training Council (MFFTC) Grant Program memo for details. All FY20 MFFTC Training/Equipment/Props Grant Applications must be submitted via email to <a href="mailto:LARA-BFS-GRANTS@michigan.gov">LARA-BFS-GRANTS@michigan.gov</a> by 5:00 p.m. on January 31, 2020. Each grant application will be reviewed by the Bureau of Fire Services' staff for completeness. Only grant applications that meet the specified requirements will be forwarded to the MFFTC for funding consideration.			
<b>SECTION I</b>			
Name of Applicant:		Pin Number:	Date:
Name of Fire Department: NFIRS #:		County:	
Fire Department Street Address:			
City:	State:	Zip Code:	Email:
Applicant Phone Number:		Alternate Number:	
<b>SECTION II</b>			
Course / Project Name:		Amount Requested:	
<b>Application Questions:</b> Please attach your responses as a separate document. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Please share (using 50 words or less) what you intend to do with your FY20 MFFTC Training/Equipment/Props Grant and how you will use this training and/or equipment/prop?</li> <li>2. How much money are you requesting to fund your grant?</li> <li>3. Please share in detail (using 500 words or less):                         <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Why this FY20 MFFTC Training/Equipment/Props Grant is important to elevating or expanding the firefighting skills of your members?</li> <li>b. How long has your department been pursuing this training opportunity or trying to obtain the equipment/prop?</li> <li>c. Have you pursued other grants or funding options? If yes, please explain.</li> </ol> </li> </ol>			
Applicable NFPA Standard(s):		Curriculum / Q-Course Number:	
Total Capacity per Class:		Total Hours per Class:	
Instructor Name(s):			
<b>SECTION III</b>			
Applicant Signature:		Date:	
Name of Applicant:		Email:	
Fire Chief Signature:		Date:	
Name of Fire Chief:		Email:	
<b>BFS USE ONLY</b>			
Course ID	Tracking Number	Course Manager	MM/DD/YYYY