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### MEMORANDUM

Date: 05/01/2019

To: Board Directors

Attn: Mike Del Puppo

President

From: Fire District Staff

Subject: Volunteer Firefighter Assistance Grant (VFA) FY 19/20

# **BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S BRIEFING PAPER**

# ISSUE:

The next cycle of the Volunteer Fire Assistance (VFA) Grant is open for applications. Grant applications must be submitted no later than May 21, 2019.

# **BACKGROUND:**

The District has received the grant in the past and used the funds to purchase Personal Protective Equipment (PPE).

# **DISCUSSION:**

This grant is a 50% reimbursement grant. The total of the grant is approximately \$40,000. Total reimbursement back to the District will be 50% of what was actually spent or approximately \$20,000. District staff would like to purchase 14 sets of structural PPE with this grant.

#### **ALTERNATIVES:**

1. The District could decide to not apply for the grant.

IMPACTS (Consider potential consequences related to each of the following areas of concern for proposed alternatives):
∑ Fiscal – Staff can add the VFA Grant to the FY 19/20 budget. The District would be reimbursed up to 50% of what is actually spent or approximately \$20,000.00.
○ Operational – The PPE is needed to maintain serviceable PPE for operational personnel.
∠ Legal – No known impact.
⊠ Sociopolitical – No known impact.
RECOMMENDATION:
Staff is recommending the Board of Directors approves staff to move forward with submitting an application for the Volunteer Firefighter Assistance Grant for Fiscal Year 2019/20. That any Board of Director makes a motion to direct staff to move forward with submitting an application for the Volunteer Firefighter Assistance Grant.
APPROVED:  Josh J. Chrisman, Assistant Chief  Date