



Santa Rosa Fire Department Grant Submittal for SAFER Grant

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BACKGROUND

The 2016 SRFD Standards of Cover and Deployment Plan (SOC) identifies a need for an additional resource to respond to emergency events in the core area of the City based on:

- Current unit workload, Engine 1 and 11 responded to 35% of all emergency events in 2016;
- Unit hour utilization is currently greater than industry standard;
- National Fire Protection Agency (NFPA) 1710 standards are not being met for personnel assigned to a first alarm structure fire assignment.

Specifically, the SOC states:

“Improvement Goal F: Add a peak period response unit at Station 11.

There is a significant amount of response workload in the Station 1 and 11 areas. Engine 1 and 11 are currently beyond target unit utilization. Adding a two person quick response unit only during the high workload period is recommended.”

PROPOSED

Authorize staff to submit a grant application to FEMA in the amount of \$1,542,180 for the FY 2016 “Staffing For Adequate Fire and Emergency Response” (SAFER).

If authorized and awarded, this funding will provide three years of cost shared salaries and benefits for six (6) FTE firefighters to staff a 24-hour, advanced life support squad.

If awarded, the SRFD will seek authorization from Council to accept or deny the grant funding opportunity prior to acceptance.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended by SRFD that the Council, by resolution, authorize staff to submit a grant application to FEMA for the Staffing For Adequate Fire and Emergency Response” (SAFER) grant in the total amount of \$1,542,180.

QUESTIONS?