WHAT IS THE GRANT'S GOAL?

The goal is to give communities the tools they need to be better adapted to living with wildfire. By offering grant funding to local governments, the fire service, special districts, and organizations, communities can build systems, programs, and projects that work for them.

Project examples may include yard debris recycling days, curbside chipping programs, community education, equipment purchases, Firewise community support, and staff to support local efforts.

WHO WAS ELIGIBLE TO APPLY?

This competitive grant was open to local governments, special districts, structural fire service agencies, and non-governmental organizations for funds to support individual community members.

The funds will enable local organizations to create and/or support existing programs to reduce wildfire risk in communities. Example projects may include yard debris recycling days, curbside chipping programs, community education, equipment purchases, Firewise community support, and staffing to support local efforts.

Additional funding programs will be available to individual landowners in spring 2023. Please visit the OSFM grants webpage to sign up for funding opportunity updates.

WHAT WERE THE APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS?

The requirements are covered in section A of the application guide.

ARE THERE COST SHARE OR MATCH REQUIREMENTS?

No.

ARE THESE ONE-TIME FUNDS?

Yes, these are one-time funds. The Oregon State Legislature allocated the funds for the 2021-23 biennium. The current legislative process determines future allocations for this grant or similar grants.

WHO SCORED AWARDS? WHAT WERE THE SCORING CRITERIA?

Please see the scoring page below in this document.

WHEN WILL FUNDS BE DISTRIBUTED?

The funds will be distributed when the scoring process is complete, dependent on the number of applications and selected projects.

WHY WASN'T MY PROJECT FUNDED?

Careful and thorough consideration was given equally to all applications. The need in Oregon is greater than the funding available. Many creative projects were submitted and we continue to learn new, innovative ways to protect Oregonians against wildfire. The OSFM seeks to turn these one-time funding opportunities into continual funding.

WHO SHOULD I CONTACT IF I HAVE A QUESTION?

Please email OSFM.grants@osp.oregon.gov.