



OREGON OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

House Bill 2687

State Preparedness and Incident Response Equipment (SPIRE) Grant Program

Fact Sheet

WHAT: Oregon House Bill 2687, which became effective in August 2017, established a grant program to distribute emergency preparedness equipment, which may include vehicles or other property, to local governments and other recipients to be used to decrease risk of life and property resulting from an emergency. Items purchased must qualify as capital assets, meaning individual items must cost at least \$5,000. A total of \$5,000,000 is available to procure emergency preparedness equipment to help Oregon communities prepare, respond, and recover from emergencies.

WHO: Qualified applicants include entities with responsibility or expertise in emergency preparedness including local government, special government bodies, or private organizations qualified for tax-exempt status under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

HOW: Applications to be submitted to the Oregon Office of Emergency Management. OEM will establish a Grant Selection Committee from members of the community to evaluate grant applications to determine which qualified applicants will receive the available equipment. OEM will provide additional guidance and clarification by the end of 4th Quarter 2018.

The grant is funded by a tax-exempt bond sale that will occur in March/April of 2019.

WHEN: The grant application package to facilitate the community request process is currently under development.

Application timelines are anticipated to begin in November and completed before the end of December 2018.

PROCESS SO FAR:

- OEM has drafted Oregon Administrative Rules (OAR) and will continue to work with an advisory committee consisting of:
 - Law Enforcement
 - Fire Service
 - Emergency Medical Services
 - Emergency Management
 - Public Works
 - Utility Providers
 - Urban and Rural Communities
 - County Government
 - Associations (Sheriffs, OR Cities, Counties, Fire Chiefs, Police Chiefs)
 - Non-Profits

- OAR Hearing is anticipated approximately November 26, 2018
- Eligible types of equipment will include

Priority 1: Save/Sustain Lives

- Portable power generation
- Fuel tankers
- Water purification/desalinization
- Mass Casualty Incident Support Trailers
- Soft-sided mass casualty kits
- High-axle rescue vehicles
- Rescue watercraft (to include hydrofoils, airboats, and other shallow draft vessels)

Priority 2: Obtain/Maintain Situational Awareness

- Communications units/sets
- Cellular-on-wheels (COWS)/Cellular-on-light-trucks (COLTS)
- COOP trailers/vehicles
- Public Information/Community Communication trailers
- Unmanned search/rescue/imaging vehicles

Priority 3: Incident Stabilization

- Portable lighting
- Soft-sided mobile mass-care shelter kits
- Mass Shelter Support Trailers
- Durable 15pax transport vehicles
- Sandbagging machines
- Soft-sided mass fatality management kits

Priority 4: Initiate Recovery

- Soft-sided mobile emergency operations center kits

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