

**CITY OF GAUTIER  
MEMORANDUM**

**To:** Samantha Abell, City Manager  
**From:** April Havens, Grants & Projects Manager  
**Through:** Chief Robert Jones, Gautier Fire Department  
**Date:** December 29, 2015  
**Subject:** FY 2015 Assistance to Firefighters Grant Application Submission

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**REQUEST:**

The Gautier Fire Departments requests City Council authorization to submit an application to the U.S. Department of Homeland Security- Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) for FY 2015 Assistance to Firefighters Grant (AFG) funding.

**BACKGROUND:**

The purpose of the AFG Program is to enhance the ability of first responders to protect the health and safety of the public from fire and related hazards. The three eligible categories for grant funding under this program are: Operations and Safety, Vehicle Acquisition, and Regional Programs.

**DISCUSSION:**

The Gautier Fire Department proposes to apply for funding under the Operations and Safety category for 12 sets of Personal Protective Equipment (PPEs) utilizing a micro grant option of \$25,000, which will require no local match.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

The Fire Department recommends that City Council authorize the submission of an application for FY 2015 AFG Grant funding as outlined above prior to the January 15, 2016 deadline.

The City Council may:

1. approve submission of an application for FY 2015 AFG funding as described above;
2. approve submission of an application for FY 2015 AFG funding with changes; or
3. not approve submission of an application for FY 2015 AFG funding.

**ATTACHMENT(S):**

N/A