

FIRE DISTRICT RESOURCE GUIDE

Over the past several years, Fire Departments suffered tremendous impacts that resulted in losses of equipment and staffing. These impacts have caused a significant dearth in the department's ability to carry out it's essential duties to serve the citizens of City and County.

The purpose of this guide is to highlight potential funding and technical resources to support the Fire Departments' recovery efforts.

Fire Equipment Grants and Loans



- Provides first responders with lifesaving equipment
- Prevention education tools to the public about the importance of public safety in order to prevent disasters in the home and community.
- Financial resources or continued education to individuals pursuing a career in public safety.
- Assistance and resources during and after natural and man-made disasters.
- Firehouse Grant Application



- California Governor's Office of Emergency Services (Cal OES) has surplus apparatus available for purchase. These apparatus' come with a standard complement of equipment, excluding radios.
- All units are sold with varying amounts of firefighting equipment.
- Each unit is sold in operating condition, is roadworthy, and able to fight
- Each engine is sold "AS-IS", no warranties.



- Provides funding to develop essential community facilities in rural areas.
- Funds can be used to purchase, construct, and/or improve essential community facilities, to purchase equipment, and to pay related project expenses.



- Brothers Helping Brothers is dedicated to supporting small and rural fire departments across the United States of America by providing essential life-saving equipment.
- They aim to assist underfunded fire departments by supplying them with the necessary tools and equipment to fulfill their duty of saving lives and protecting property safely and efficiently.



Staffing Support and Training Resources



- The National Fire Academy (NFA) offers over 50 on-campus courses in 12 curricula for fire and emergency medical services (EMS) personnel at our campus in Emmitsburg, Maryland.
- Off-campus courses provide training opportunities for volunteer and career fire service personnel close to home.
- Online courses are free to fire and emergency services personnel, and international students are welcome.



- The Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) program educates volunteers about disaster preparedness for the hazards that may impact their area and trains them in basic disaster response skills, such as fire safety, light search and rescue, team organization, and disaster medical operations.
- CERT offers a consistent, nationwide approach to volunteer training and organization that professional responders can rely on during disaster situations, allowing them to focus on more complex tasks.



 The California Fire Foundation offers grants to fire departments, firefighter associations, and community-based organizations to address local prevention, preparedness, mitigation, and resiliency needs in communities statewide.

For more funding opportunities, visit <u>California Grants Portal</u>

