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FY-2024 Annual Package

This letter serves as notification of the availability of the FY-2024 Annual Package. Beginning with FY2013, VDFP began providing the Annual Package electronically. The Annual Package may be found on the Virginia Department of Fire Programs' website and contains the following:

- **❖** Aid to Localities (ATL)
 - FY-2024 Audit Sheet
 - FY-2024 Disbursement Agreement
 - FY-2023 Annual Report
 - FY-2024 Allocations
 - FY-2024 Disbursement Schedule
 - Helpful Hints in Completing Annual Reports and Agreements
- **❖** Live Fire Training Structure Grant Program
- **❖** Regional Fire Services Training Grants Program Application period opens July 1, 2023
 - Regional Fire Services Training Facilities Grants Application
 - Regional Fire Services Training Facilities Disbursement Agreement
- **❖ VFIRS Hardware Grants Program**
 - Letter from VDFP Information and Statistics Manager
 - VFIRS Application
- Conference and Education Assistance Grants Program
 Application period Closes July 1, 2023
 - Conference and Education Grant Application

Please note that the application postmark deadline for the Regional Fire Service Training Grant and the VFIRS Hardware Grant is <u>August 31, 2023</u>.

Also note that the FY-2024 Annual Reports will not be accepted prior to July 1, 2023.

All program forms are available on our website at www.vafire.com.

SPECIAL NOTIFICATIONS OF FUNDING PROGRAMS AND OPPORTUNITIES

Aid to Localities Entitlement (ATL) Program

The Virginia Fire Services Board (VFSB) voted to permanently increase to the minimum ATL allocations for Towns, Cities, and Counties at the Board meeting in June 2022. The minimum ATL allocations for Towns is \$15,000; and Counties and Cities are \$30,000. Below is a chart to illustrate the minimum increases:

Type of Jurisdiction	Previous	Effective July 1, 2022
Incorporated Towns	\$ 10,000	\$ 15,000
Counties	\$ 20,000	\$ 30,000
Cities	\$ 20,000	\$ 30,000

ATL allocations are calculated based upon the most current US Population Census which was conducted in 2020. Based upon population, jurisdictions that have ATL allocations that fall below the minimum dollar values will have their ATL allocations raised to the minimum dollar level specified above.

Live Fire Training Structure Grant Program

The program provides for the construction, renovation, or repair of burn buildings in the Commonwealth of Virginia.

Regional Fire Services Training Facilities (RFSTF) Grant Program

The Program is designed to provide grants to Virginia localities for the acquisition of training props to be utilized as regional fire services training facilities per the NFPA 1001 and 1403 training standards. Funding will be awarded at 50% of the proposed project. The locality will have to contribute the remaining 50%. The application period is July 1, 2023 through August 31, 2023. The Program Policy and related documents can be found on our website under the https://www.vafire.com/grants-and-local-aid/regional-fire-services-training-grant-program/

VFIRS Hardware Grants Program

The amount of funding for the VFIRS Grant is \$700. This funding level will allow the VFSB & VDFP to provide more applicants with funding. The minimum specifications can be found in the Agency Practices document located on our website under the https://www.vafire.com/grants-and-local-aid/vfirs-hardware-grants/

Conference and Education Assistance Grant Program

The program provides financial support for conferences and seminars sponsored by Virginia based non-profit organization to further the education of fire and emergency service personnel. FY24 Application period closes July 1st. The Program will be evaluated as competitive. FY2024 awards will be made based in funding availability and the project performance period will be determine upon award.

If you have questions about the documents and forms or need additional assistance, don't hesitate to contact me at 804-249-1958 or via email at Theresa.Hunter@vdfp.virginia.gov.

Respectfully,

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