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Starting Tuesday, February 18, 2014, organizations may begin online grant applications for Fiscal Year (FY) 2013 Fire Prevention and Safety (FP&S) Grant funding. The deadline for all FP&S Grant applications is Friday, March 21, 2014, at 5 p.m. Eastern Time (ET).

Key Changes in the FY 2013 Fire Prevention and Safety funding opportunity:

- The grantee cost sharing is now 5% for *all* eligible applicants for both FP&S and Research and Development (R&D) Activities regardless of population size or applicant type.
- Applications and awards are limited to a maximum federal share of \$1.5 million dollars, regardless of applicant type.
- The evaluation criteria under the Research and Development activity have been modified and now clarifies the evaluation process for the Research and Development applications.

ACTIVITIES ELIGIBLE FOR FP&S GRANTS

- **Fire Prevention and Safety Activities:** Projects designed to reach high-risk target groups and mitigate the incidence of death and injuries caused by fire and fire-related hazards.
- **Firefighter Safety Research and Development Activities:** Projects aimed at improving firefighter safety, health, and wellness through research and development projects that reduce firefighter fatalities and

injuries.

HOW TO APPLY

1. First, download and read the [FY 2013 Fire Prevention and Safety Grants Funding Opportunity Announcement \(FOA\)](#). It explains the purpose of the grant program, activities eligible for support, eligibility criteria, award criteria, application instructions, and Federal requirements for grantees.
2. Visit the [Fire Prevention and Safety Grants homepage](#) on the Assistance to Firefighters Grants (AFG) Website and use the additional application resources below to help you develop your grant application.
 - [FY 2013 FP&S Grants Get Ready Guide](#): This short guide will help you kick-start your FY 2013 grant application. It identifies the most important elements of all the grant application questions.
 - [FY 2013 FP&S Grants Self-Evaluation Sheet](#): This tool is based on the application scoring dimensions used by the peer reviewers. It will help you assess your organization's readiness to apply for a grant and help you plan your application.
 - [FP&S Grants Frequently Asked Questions](#)
 - [Video](#): Community Risk Assessment and Fire Prevention and Safety Grants. This video describes how to conduct a risk assessment and how to use the results to plan and conduct fire prevention and safety projects in your community.
 - [Video](#): Fire Prevention and Safety Grants. This video covers the purpose of the FP&S Grants, types of eligible organizations and activities, and award evaluation criteria.
3. Between **February 18, 2014** and **March 21, 2014** start your online grant application by going to the FEMA E-Grant Application Access website at <https://portal.fema.gov/famsVuWeb/home>.

QUESTIONS?

Contact the AFG Help Desk if you have questions about the FY 2013 FP&S Grant Funding Opportunity Announcement, online application, or any applicant resources. Help Desk Specialists will be available during the application period, Monday through Friday, from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. ET. Toll-free telephone: 1-866-274-0960; e-Mail: firegrants@fema.dhs.gov.

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