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FY 2012 FIRE PREVENTION AND SAFETY GRANTS APPLICATION PERIOD OPENS MON., DECEMBER 17

Starting Monday, December 17, 2012, organizations may begin online grant applications for Fiscal Year (FY) 2012 Fire Prevention and Safety (FP&S) Grant funding. The deadline for all FP&S Grant applications is Friday, January 18, 2013, at 5 p.m. Eastern Time (ET).

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 2012 Fire Prevention and Safety Grants Funding Opportunity Announcement](#).** It explains the purpose of the grant program, activities eligible for support, eligibility criteria, award criteria, application instructions, and Federal requirements for grantees.

NOTE: There has been no change in the FP&S Grant evaluation and award criteria since FY 2011. They are the same for the FY 2012 FP&S Grant applications as they were for FY 2011 FP&S Grant applications.

2. **Visit the [Fire Prevention and Safety Grants web page](#) on the Assistance to Firefighters Grants (AFG) Website (www.fema.gov/firegrants)** and use the additional application resources below to help you develop your grant application.
 - **[FY 2012 FP&S Grants Get Ready Guide](#):** This short guide will help you kick-start your FY 2012 grant application. It identifies the most important elements of all the grant application questions.
 - **[FY 2012 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 December 17, 2012, and January 18, 2013, start your online grant application by going to the FEMA [E-Grant Application Access website](#).**

Questions?

Contact the AFG Help Desk if you have questions about the FY 2012 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.

UPDATED CALENDAR OF EVENTS: DECEMBER 13–20: HURRICANE SANDY DISASTER ASSISTANCE WORKSHOPS BEING HELD IN NEW JERSEY AND NEW YORK

All fire departments and nonaffiliated emergency medical services agencies that experienced loss or damage due to Hurricane Sandy are encouraged to attend a special regional workshop to learn about the types of FEMA public assistance grants that they may be eligible to receive. The workshop schedule is listed below, and preregistration is not required. For more information about the workshops, contact David Fortino, Regional Fire Program Specialist: David.Fortino@fema.dhs.gov.

New Jersey Workshops

- Thursday, December 13, 7 to 9 p.m., Egg Harbor City Volunteer Fire Department Headquarters, 631 Philadelphia Ave, Egg Harbor City, NJ (Atlantic County).
- Saturday, December 15, 10 a.m. to 12 noon, Monmouth County Fire Academy, 1027 State Hwy 33, Howell, NJ (Monmouth County).
- Monday, December 17, 7:30 to 9:30 p.m., Holy Name Hospital, Marion Hall Conference Rm, 718 Teaneck Rd, Teaneck, NJ (Bergen County).

New York Workshops

- Tuesday, December 18, 7 to 9 p.m., Rockaway Point Fire Department, 204-26 Rockaway Point Blvd, Rockaway, NY (Queens County).
- Wednesday, December 19, 7 to 9 p.m., Baldwin Fire Headquarters, 2386 Grand Ave, Baldwin, NY (Nassau County).
- Thursday, December 20, 7 to 9 p.m., Lindenhurst Firefighters Memorial Pavilion, Heiling Blvd, Lindenhurst, NY (Suffolk County).

FEMA Public Assistance Division: You also may contact the FEMA Public Assistance Division directly for information at 202-646-3057, or by fax at 202-646-3363. Website: <http://www.fema.gov/public-assistance-local-state-tribal-and-non-profit>.

AFG CALENDAR

NOTE: All information, including dates and projected application periods are subject to change. When a conference is listed, the AFG Program either will be exhibiting and/or giving a presentation or workshop.

DECEMBER

FY 2012 AFG and SAFER Award Announcements: Ongoing

December 13, 2012: Hurricane Sandy Disaster Workshop, 7 to 9 p.m., Egg Harbor City Volunteer Fire Department Headquarters, Egg Harbor City, NJ.

December 15, 2012: Hurricane Sandy Disaster Workshop, 10 a.m. to 12 noon, Monmouth County Fire Academy

Howell, NJ.

December 17, 2012: FY 2012 Fire Prevention and Safety Grant application period opens

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December 18, 2012, Hurricane Sandy Disaster Workshop, 7 to 9 p.m., Rockaway Point Fire Department, Rockaway, NY.

December 19, 2012: Hurricane Sandy Disaster Workshop, 7 to 9 p.m., Baldwin Fire Headquarters, Baldwin, NY.

December 20, 2012: Hurricane Sandy Disaster Workshop, 7 to 9 p.m., Lindenhurst Firefighters Memorial Pavilion, Lindenhurst, NY.

JANUARY 2013

January 18, 2013, 5 p.m. Eastern Time: DEADLINE for submitting FY 2012 Fire Prevention and Safety Grant applications

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