



Department of Emergency Services

Memorandum

56174

TO: Board of Acquisition and Contract

FROM: John M. Cullen
Commissioner of Emergency Services

DATE: March 27, 2017

SUBJECT: Authorization to enter into an agreement with the New York State Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services to accept a grant in the sum of \$94,212 to be used to purchase a self-contained breathing apparatus (“SCBA”) and obstacle course for the existing trench, confined space and collapse rescue training prop to enhance the County’s technical rescue training capabilities under the FY2016 Technical Rescue & Urban Search and Rescue Grant Program for the program period April 1, 2017 through August 31, 2019.

Authorization is requested for the County of Westchester, acting by and through its Department of Emergency Services (“DES”), to enter into an agreement with the New York State Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services (the “State”) to accept a grant in the amount of \$94,212 under the FY2016 Technical Rescue & Urban Search and Rescue Grant Program for the program period April 1, 2017 through August 31, 2019. Grant funds will be used by DES to purchase a SCBA and obstacle course to enhance the existing trench, confined space and collapse rescue training prop. The prop provides an advanced and changeable training environment for confined space entry and victim removal and is available, not only to the Westchester County Technical Rescue Team (WCTRT), but to all area confined space rescue-trained personnel, to enable them to maintain their National Fire Protection Association’s 1006 and 1670 training requirements.

In accordance with the Westchester County Fire Mutual Aid Plan, the WCTRT and other trained local agencies, will respond to requests for assistance from local fire departments, police and emergency medical services to provide technical rescue support within the Westchester County region. The goals and objectives of the grant agreement are to enhance the in-county training capability for confined space technical rescue response through the purchase and installation of this SCBA and obstacle course.

This grant agreement serves the public's best interest by enhancing emergency preparedness and reducing response time, thereby preserving the health, safety and general welfare of County residents.

DES will monitor the progression of the grant program to assure compliance and progress in meeting the goals and objectives of this program and in furtherance of the grant terms.

I certify that my department, a) has copies of, or access to, all applicable laws, rules, regulations, grant applications, and grant agreements (including any master grant agreement), as well as any guidance or instructions received from the agency making the grant (the "Grant Terms), b) has reviewed the Grant Terms, c) is aware of and understands all of the Grant Terms, and d) can and will comply with all of the Grant Terms.

In view of the importance of this program, I recommend approval of the attached resolution.

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RESOLUTION

Upon a communication from the Commissioner of Emergency Services, be it hereby

RESOLVED, that the County of Westchester, acting by and through its Department of Emergency Services, is authorized to enter into an agreement with the New York State Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services, to accept a grant in the amount of \$94,212 to be used to purchase a self-contained breathing apparatus (“SCBA”) and obstacle course for the existing trench, confined space and collapse rescue training prop to enhance the County’s technical rescue capabilities under the FY2016 Technical Rescue & Urban Search and Rescue Grant Program for the program period April 1, 2017 through August 31, 2019; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the County Executive or his authorized designee is authorized and empowered to execute and deliver all instruments and take all actions necessary or appropriate to effectuate the purposes hereof.

| Account to be Charged/credited | Fund | Agency | Capital Project Or Org | Object/ Sub Object | Trust Account | Activity | Dollars |
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Budget Funding Year(s) 2017-2019 Start Date 4/01/17 End Date 8/31/19
 (must match resolution)

Funding Source Tax Dollars _____
 State Aid _____
\$94,212 Federal Aid \$94,212
 (must match resolution) Other _____

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