

**Caroline County
Board of Supervisors Agenda
Executive Summary**

Meeting Date: **March 9, 2021**

Title: **Consent Agenda – Authorization to Submit Rescue Squad Assistance Fund Grant Application**

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Summary: Attached is a memorandum from Fire-EMS Chief Jason Loftus seeking authorization to apply for a Virginia Office of EMS Rescue Squad Assistance Fund grant in the amount of \$56,425. If awarded, grant funds will be used to purchase a replacement vehicle for the career/volunteer duty chief.

Budget Impact: A 50% local match of \$28,212 is required. The proposed source of funds for the local match is the Fiscal Year 2021/2022 Capital Improvements Budget. Full funding for the duty chief vehicle will be included in the County Administrator's Proposed FY 2021/22 Capital Improvements Budget. Although the proposed FY 2022 budget has not yet been presented to the Board of Supervisors for consideration, the grant deadline requires the County to commit to the local match now with the submittal of the application.

Action(s) Requested of Board of Supervisors: Authorize Chief Loftus to apply for a Virginia Office of EMS Rescue Squad Assistance Fund grant in the amount of \$56,425 with a local match commitment of \$28,212.



County of Caroline
Department of Fire-Rescue & Emergency Management

Date: March 3, 2021
To: Charles Culley, County Administrator
Caroline County Board of Supervisors
From: Jason R. Loftus, Chief
Subject: RSAF Grant request: Replacement Quick Response Vehicle (QRV)

The Virginia Office of EMS, designates grant funds for continued EMS operations in localities. The Rescue Squad Assistance Fund (RSAF) allows for the purchase of equipment directly related to the provision of medical care.

The Department is seeking purchase a replacement vehicle for our current career/volunteer duty chief's vehicle. This vehicle is used every day (24/7 365 days a year) as the only vehicle for the Duty Officer response to fire and EMS incidents. The vehicle is also used to deliver supplies to stations and supervisory visits/duties to career stations daily. The current vehicle is a 2017 and will have over 200,000 miles at the time of a potential grant award. The vehicle is also a licensed BLS response vehicle with the Department of Health Office of EMS and therefore eligible for a grant award.

The Department is requesting permission to apply for a 50/50 grant to replace the above-mentioned equipment with a total cost of \$56,425 with a local obligation of \$28,212. Funds for the local obligation are recommended to come from the 2022 Capital Improvement plan.

Recommended Action:

- 1.) Motion to apply for the RSAF Grant process for replacement of a license EMS Quick Response Vehicle at the 50/50 funding level.