

US Department of Homeland Security  
Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA)

**STAFFING FOR ADEQUATE FIRE AND EMERGENCY RESPONSE (SAFER)**

**Overview Information**

**Issued By**

US Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), Grant Programs Directorate (GPD), Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program (AFG)

**Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) Number**

97.083

**CFDA Title**

Staffing for Adequate Fire and Emergency Response (SAFER)

**Funding Opportunity Announcement Title**

Fiscal Year (FY) 2014 Staffing for Adequate Fire and Emergency Response (SAFER)

**Authorizing Authority for Program**

Section 34 of the *Federal Fire Prevention and Control Act of 1974*, (Pub. L. No. 93-498), as amended (15 USC § 2229a)

**Appropriation Authority for Program**

*Department of Homeland Security Appropriations Act, 2014* (Pub. L. No. 113-76)

**Opportunity ID Number**

DHS-14-GPD-083-000-99

**Key Dates and Time**

|                                     |                                  |
|-------------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| Application Start Date:             | February 9, 2015 at 8:00 AM EST  |
| Application Submission Deadline:    | March 6, 2015 at 5:00 PM EST     |
| Anticipated Funding Selection Date: | N/A                              |
| Anticipated Award Date:             | No later than September 30, 2015 |

**Other Key Dates**

|                                |                    |
|--------------------------------|--------------------|
| Projected Award Start Date(s): | June 1, 2015       |
| Projected Award End Date(s):   | September 30, 2015 |

## FOA Executive Summary

### Funding Category

New  Continuation  One-time

### Date of Origin for Program

November 24, 2003

### Funding Opportunity Category

Discretionary  Mandatory  Competitive  Non-competitive  Sole Source

### Application Process

DHS makes all funding opportunities available through the common electronic "storefront" Grants.gov, accessible on the Internet at <http://www.grants.gov>. If you experience difficulties accessing information or have any questions, please call the Grants.gov Customer Support Hotline at (800) 518-4726.

The FY 2014 SAFER Grant application is accessible through the e-Grants system at <https://portal.fema.gov>. A link to the application will also be available via the US Fire Administration's (USFA) Website at <http://www.usfa.fema.gov> during the application period.

For additional details, please see Section IX of this FOA, *How to Apply*.

### Eligible Applicants

The following entities are eligible to apply directly to FEMA under this solicitation:

- Fire Departments
- National, state, local, or tribal organizations that represent the interests of volunteer firefighters

For additional information, please see Section III of this FOA, Eligibility Information.

### Type of Funding Instrument

Grant  Cooperative Agreement

### Cost Share or Match

Cost Share  Cost Match  Voluntary  None

### Maintenance of Effort

Yes  No

### Management and Administration

Management and Administration costs are activities directly related to implementing the award. Administrative costs up to three percent of the awarded amount are allowable under the SAFER