



# MARIPOSA COUNTY

Fire ·



## **RESOLUTION - ACTION REQUESTED 2018-231**

MEETING: May 22, 2018  
TO: The Board of Supervisors  
FROM: Nancy Koerperich, Chief  
RE: Volunteer Fire Assistance (VFA) Grant

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### **RECOMMENDATION AND JUSTIFICATION:**

Ratify the Submission of the Volunteer Fire Assistance (VFA) Grant Application.

The VFA grant is a Federal Block Grant program administered in California by CAL FIRE. The grant's purpose is to enable volunteer fire departments to purchase safety equipment so that they can better comply with National Fire Protection Association safety standards while engaged in firefighting activities. This is a grant program that the Mariposa County Fire Department (MCFD) annually participates in and budgets for the local match requirement. This year, the application was submitted prior to receiving Board approval due to a short turnaround time with a due date of May 11, 2018.

Mariposa County Fire Department is now requesting the VFA Grant application be ratified as grant funding can be used to purchase National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) compliant Structural Fire Fighting clothing. The VFA Grant is in the amount of \$30,726 with Mariposa County paying \$15,363 and the VFA Grant awarding \$15,363. The current inventory of Structural Fire Fighting clothing is at its expiration date (service life) as per NFPA 1971.

### **BACKGROUND AND HISTORY OF BOARD ACTIONS:**

The Board of Supervisors has approved the same Grant in previous years, with the last approval with Resolution 17-791 on November 21, 2017.

### **ALTERNATIVES AND CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION:**

If no action is taken the current Structural Fire Fighting clothing will be past its expiration date and will no longer be usable. The County will lose the available grant funds to replace the Structural Fire Fighting clothing.

### **FINANCIAL IMPACT:**

**Current Fiscal Year Cost is \$15,363, and is included in the Adopted Budget**

### **ATTACHMENTS:**

**2018\_VFA Grant (PDF)**

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**RESULT:** ADOPTED BY CONSENT VOTE [UNANIMOUS]

**MOVER:** Merlin Jones, District II Supervisor

**SECONDER:** Miles Menetrey, District V Supervisor

**AYES:** Rosemarie Smallcombe, Merlin Jones, Marshall Long, Miles Menetrey

**EXCUSED:** Kevin Cann