

RESOLUTION 8-2009

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BENSON, ARIZONA, APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE APPLICATION BY THE BENSON VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT FOR RURAL FIRE ASSISTANCE GRANT FUNDS FROM THE ARIZONA STATE FORESTRY DIVISION.

WHEREAS, the Arizona State Forestry Division, with assistance from the United States Department of Interior, administers a Rural Fire Assistance Grant Program (the "Grant Program") which provides financial assistance to increase firefighter safety and enhance the fire protection capabilities of rural fire departments by assisting those departments in meeting or exceeding accepted standards of wildfire qualifications, training and performance; and

WHEREAS, the Application, attached hereto as Exhibit "A" and incorporated herein by this reference, would enable the City to apply for a portion of the funding under the Grant Program; and

WHEREAS, a requirement of the Grant Program is that the Benson Volunteer Fire Department must have the capability to meet a minimum of ten percent (10%) cost-share, which may include in-kind services; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the City of Benson have reviewed the terms and conditions of the Application attached hereto as Exhibit "A" and have determined that submitting the Application is in the best interests of the City and its residents.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the City of Benson, that the City hereby approves the Application and authorizes Fire Chief Keith Spangler to execute it and City staff is hereby authorized to take all steps necessary and property to carry out its purposes.

PASSED AND ADOPTED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BENSON, ARIZONA, this 9th day of February, 2009.



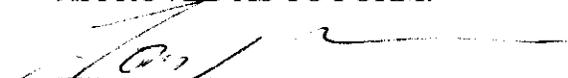
MARK M. FENN, Mayor

ATTEST:



VICKI L. VIVIAN, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



THOMAS A. BENAVIDEZ, City Attorney

Exhibit "A"
Grant Application

2009 VOLUNTEER FIRE & RURAL FIRE ASSISTANCE GRANT PROGRAM

Community Name:		City of Benson
Total Project Costs		\$20,000.00
Requested Grant Amount		\$20,000.00
Contact Person		
Contact:	Name	Keith Spangler
	Address	P.O. Box 2223 Benson, Arizona 85602
	Phone	(520) 586-9832
	E-Mail	kspangler@cityofbenson.com
1. Is your community under 10,000 population? (Circle One)		

- A. Yes (See Item 2 below)
 B. No (Does not qualify)

2. Is the request for assistance for organizing, training, equipping or prevention? (Circle One)

- A. Yes
 B. No (Does not qualify)

3. Which program grant is your community applying for? (Circle One)

- A. Volunteer Fire Assistance Grant
 B. Rural Fire Assistance Grant
 C. Both

4. Is your community fire organization a: (Circle One)

- A. Legal Fire District under A.R.S., Title 48.
 B. Non-profit corporation listed with the Arizona Corporation Commission.
 C. Entity of an incorporated town or city.
 D. Tribal Community Fire Department _____
 E. Other (please list) _____

5. Does your fire department currently have an Intergovernmental agreement with the Arizona State Forestry Division? Department (Circle One)

A
 B

Yes
No

If no, do you have an agreement with a Federal Agency?
Which one _____

6. Is more than one fire department involved in this project proposal? (Circle One)

A
 B

Yes
No

If yes, list names of other communities and Zip codes that are involved:

7. Using Insurance Services Office ratings, what is the predominant dwelling ISO rating class within your fire boundary? (Circle One)

A
 B
 C

Eight (8) or less
9
10

8. Which aspects of the program will the community's project proposal include? Circle each item that applies.)

A
 B

Training and Equipment
Organizing and Prevention

9. What is the average number of fires per year with the last five (5) year period within your jurisdiction? (Fill in the blanks)

A.
B.

Structural 18
Wildland/Agricultural 37

10. How many communities within your fire department boundaries have received Firewise Communities USA Certification? Please list community name(s).

A
 B
 C

0
1-3
3+

Community Names: _____

11. How many acres of wildland/urban interface (as defined in attachment A; page 4 do you protect? (Circle One)

A
 B
 C

0 - 100
100 - 1000
1000+

12. How many wildland engines does your department have? (Circle One)

- A. More than one engine per 1000 acres protected.
- B. Less than one engine per 1000 acres protected.

13. Does your community/ fire department initial attack or fight fires on Department of the Interior lands? (Circle One)

- A. Yes
- B. No

14. Does your community border Federal lands? (Circle One)

- A. Yes
If yes, what Federal Agency administers these lands? US Forrest Service
- B. No

15. Number of times your department was awarded either RFA or VFA Grants in the last 3 Federal Fiscal Years? (2006, 2007 & 2008) (Circle One)

- A. Never
- B. Once
- C. Twice
- D. 3+.

16. What percentage of your firefighting personnel are non-paid volunteers. (Circle One)

- A. 0-25%
- B. 26-50%
- C. 51+%

17. What is your annual budget. (Circle One)

- A. \$0 - \$100,000
- B. \$101,000 - \$200,000
- C. \$201,000 - \$300,000
- D. \$301,000+

18. What is the total number of active members on your department?

A. 28

19. Circle the number of active members not equipped with wildland fire personal protective equipment.

- A. 0
- B. 1-5
- C. 6-10
- D. 11-20
- E. 20+

20. Circle the number of active members in your department that need Basic Wildland Firefighter (NWCG S-130, S-190 & L-180) training:

- A. 0
- B. 1-5
- C. 6-10
- D. 11-20
- E. 20+

RFA Detailed Project Budget

Part A Project Fund Sources by Organization*

	Grant \$				Total
Dollars	9,000	1,000			10,000
Donations					
Volunteer					
Total					10,000 ²

*Organization examples: Home Owners, Local Gov., Tribes, State, Federal, etc. List actual names of cities, fire departments etc. in the column headings.

Part B Project Expenditures By Organization

Project Expenditures	Grant \$	Benson			Total
Wildland Equip.	9,000	1,000			10,000
Total					10,000 ³

List Expenditures or work activities in the left column i.e. Training and Equipping. See Attachment A for Volunteer Fire Assistance and Attachment B for Rural Fire Assistance.