



## Agenda Item Summary

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**File #: 23-00802**

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**Agenda Item Name:**

**2023 – 2024 Emergency Medical Services (EMS) County Grant Application**

**Presenter:**

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**Description:**

2023 – 2024 Emergency Medical Services (EMS) County Grant Application

**Recommended Action:**

Adopt the Resolution, approve and sign the EMS Grant Application

**Prior Board Motions:**

N/A

**Fiscal Note:**

The FY24 EMS County Grant is \$39,734.92 and the distribution deadline to return the application is January 31, 2024. Once the award is received, the Department will return to the Board with a budget amendment for the revenue and expenses. At that time, it will be accounted for in Fund 014.

**Strategic Guide:**

Public Safety

**Background:**

The Department of Health, Bureau of Emergency Medical Services is authorized by Chapter 401, Part II, F.S. to dispense grant funds. Forty-five (45) percent of these funds are made available to the 67 boards of county commissioners (BoCCs) to improve and expand pre-hospital EMS systems in their county. Each County is required to submit a Grant Application and request for grant fund distribution. The Alachua County grant award amount is \$39,734.92.

Chapter 401 of the Florida Statutes authorizes the Florida Department of Health to award funds to eligible Florida counties for the enhancement of Emergency Medical Services. These funds are collected from surcharges on moving violations issued within the county and awarded to each eligible County for the purpose of improving and/or expanding their pre-hospital Emergency Medical Services. This is an annual process which requires no matching funds.

Funds will be utilized to purchase Multipurpose Airway/CPR (Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation)/Auscultation Trainers, Advanced IV Training Arms, Traumatic Arm Amputation Training

equipment, Video Laryngoscopes, and North Central Florida Trauma Agency Membership Dues. Items may be adjusted throughout the award period based upon the needs of the department.