

MEMO

To: Joint Budget
From: John Andrews, Director
Date: April 9, 2013
Re: FY13 Cycle 3 RCGP Funded Communities

The Fiscal Year 2013 Cycle 3 funding recommendations are enclosed for the Arkansas Rural Community Grant Program. By the March 15th deadline, 39 complete and eligible applications were received with over \$454,000 in requests. Funds available this cycle for distribution in the areas of fire protection and community development totaled \$168,324.56.

Thanks!

John Andrews, Director
Department of Rural Services

Enclosures

Arkansas Rural Community Grant Programs Contact: John Andrews, 682-6011

Programs:

The Arkansas Rural Community Grants are made up of the following programs with examples of eligible projects noted:

Arkansas Rural Community Development Grant

- ☒ Construction or renovations to publicly owned buildings (civic, community, recycling, senior and youth centers, libraries, museums, etc.);
- ☒ Parks and other recreational facilities (baseball and softball fields, landscape/beautification projects, picnic areas, jogging/walking trails, etc.).

Arkansas Rural Community Fire Protection Grant

- ☒ Construction of new fire facilities;
- ☒ Purchase of fire protection equipment and/or vehicles;
- ☒ Rehabilitation/Retrofitting of newly acquired equipment and vehicles;
- ☒ Renovation of existing facilities

Grant Review Process:

Each grant application is date stamped and assigned a control number upon receipt to the Department of Rural Services (DRS). The grants are then reviewed in the order they are received. The reviewer uses a standard checklist to review each application. Applicants submitting their applications prior to the application deadline are notified of application deficiencies and are given the opportunity to submit additional materials prior the application deadline. Applicants postmarking their application on the date of the deadline are eligible and are reviewed by the same process, but are not allowed to submit material to eliminate any deficiencies. All complete applications as of the application deadline are then checked against the previous grant awards database to determine if the community currently has an active grant. Applications are then entered into a database to generate lists and total requests. Copies of complete and eligible applications with a computerized listing are then forwarded to a six-person review committee made up of members of the Arkansas Rural Development Commission (ARDC) appointed by the ARDC Chairperson. The ARDC Grants Review Committee meets and reviews the grants with staff members with their recommendations. Recommendations are entered into the grant database and a listing of all complete and eligible grant applications with funding recommendations is forwarded to all members of the ARDC. The ARDC then meets, discusses the recommendations, and approves final funding recommendations that are forwarded to the Governor for approval.

Cycle III FY13 Information:

Amount Available for Distribution for Community Development and Fire Protection Grants: \$168,324.56
Total Dollars Requested from Complete and Eligible Applicants: \$454,190.92
Amount Requested under the Community Development Program: \$127,784.49
Amount Available for Distribution under the Community Development Program: \$36,199.56
Amount Requested under the Fire Protection Program: \$326,406.43
Amount Available for Distribution under the Fire Protection Program: \$132,125.00

**Rural Community Grant Program
Funding Recommendations for Cycle III of Fiscal Year**

APPLICANT: Bradford
PROGRAM: Community Development
MAYOR/COUNTY JUDGE: White / Hon. Arthur Dunn
PROJECT NARRATIVE: The City of Bradford is requesting \$8,908 to purchase lights for the softball/t-ball field at the City Park.
TOTAL PROJECT COST: \$17,817.00
AMOUNT RECOMMENDED FOR FUNDING: \$8,500.00
REPRESENTATIVE/SENATOR: Hon. Jody Dickinson / Hon. Ronald Caldwell
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APPLICANT: Cave City
PROGRAM: Community Development
MAYOR/COUNTY JUDGE: Sharp / Hon. Ron Burge
PROJECT NARRATIVE: The City of Cave City is requesting \$10,475 to purchase and install a tornado siren.
TOTAL PROJECT COST: \$20,950.00
AMOUNT RECOMMENDED FOR FUNDING: \$10,199.56
REPRESENTATIVE/SENATOR: Hon. Tommy Wren / Hon. David Wyatt
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APPLICANT: Clarendon
PROGRAM: Community Development
MAYOR/COUNTY JUDGE: Monroe / Hon. James Stinson, III
PROJECT NARRATIVE: The City of Clarendon is requesting \$7,500 to refurbish the ball fields, purchase bases, and install bleachers.
TOTAL PROJECT COST: \$15,000.00
AMOUNT RECOMMENDED FOR FUNDING: \$7,500.00
REPRESENTATIVE/SENATOR: Hon. Reginald Murdock / Hon. Jonathan Dismang
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APPLICANT: Clear Creek
PROGRAM: Fire Protection
MAYOR/COUNTY JUDGE: Drew / Hon. Robert Akin
PROJECT NARRATIVE: The Clear Creek Fire Dept is requesting \$5,097 to purchase a pump unit with a foam attachment to mount on a brush truck.
TOTAL PROJECT COST: \$10,194.00
AMOUNT RECOMMENDED FOR FUNDING: \$5,000.00
REPRESENTATIVE/SENATOR: Hon. Mike Holcomb / Hon. Eddie Cheatham
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APPLICANT: Cove Rural
PROGRAM: Fire Protection
MAYOR/COUNTY JUDGE: Polk / Hon. Brandon Ellison
PROJECT NARRATIVE: The Cove Rural Volunteer Fire Dept is requesting \$3,125 to install an overhead door and hot & cold water connections in their station.
TOTAL PROJECT COST: \$6,250.00
AMOUNT RECOMMENDED FOR FUNDING: \$3,125.00
REPRESENTATIVE/SENATOR: Hon. Nate Bell / Hon. Larry Teague
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APPLICANT: Crossroads
PROGRAM: Fire Protection
MAYOR/COUNTY JUDGE: Prairie / Hon. Mike Skarda
PROJECT NARRATIVE: The Crossroads Volunteer Fire Dept is requesting \$10,460.90 to purchase SCBA's, radios, antennas, mount kits, and an electric start pump.
TOTAL PROJECT COST: \$20,921.90
AMOUNT RECOMMENDED FOR FUNDING: \$10,000.00
REPRESENTATIVE/SENATOR: Hon. David Hillman / Hon. Jonathan Dismang
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APPLICANT: Dermott
PROGRAM: Fire Protection
MAYOR/COUNTY JUDGE: Chicot / Hon. Floyd Gray
PROJECT NARRATIVE: The City of Dermott is requesting \$15,000 to purchase a pumper truck.
TOTAL PROJECT COST: \$57,100.00
AMOUNT RECOMMENDED FOR FUNDING: \$12,500.00
REPRESENTATIVE/SENATOR: Hon. Mark McElroy / Hon. Eddie Cheatham
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APPLICANT: Elm Springs
PROGRAM: Fire Protection
MAYOR/COUNTY JUDGE: Washington / Hon. Ben Wall
PROJECT NARRATIVE: The City of Elm Springs is requesting \$14,950 to purchase a used pumper truck.
TOTAL PROJECT COST: \$29,900.00
AMOUNT RECOMMENDED FOR FUNDING: \$12,500.00
REPRESENTATIVE/SENATOR: Hon. Jonathan Barnett / Hon. Bart Hester
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APPLICANT: Grady
PROGRAM: Fire Protection
MAYOR/COUNTY JUDGE: Lincoln / Hon. E.C. Hardin, III
PROJECT NARRATIVE: The Grady Fire Dept is requesting \$11,860 to purchase turnout gear and flashlights.
TOTAL PROJECT COST: \$23,720.00
AMOUNT RECOMMENDED FOR FUNDING: \$11,000.00
REPRESENTATIVE/SENATOR: Hon. James L. Word / Hon. Stephanie Flowers
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APPLICANT: Horseshoe Bend
PROGRAM: Fire Protection
MAYOR/COUNTY JUDGE: Izard / Hon. Bob Barnes
PROJECT NARRATIVE: Horseshoe Bend Fire and Rescue is requesting \$15,000 to purchase a used pumper truck to replace one lost in the 2009 fire at the station.
TOTAL PROJECT COST: \$89,000.00
AMOUNT RECOMMENDED FOR FUNDING: \$12,500.00
REPRESENTATIVE/SENATOR: Hon. Tommy Wren / Hon. David Wyatt
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APPLICANT: Lakeview
PROGRAM: Fire Protection
MAYOR/COUNTY JUDGE: Phillips / Hon. Henrietta Wilson
PROJECT NARRATIVE: The Lakeview Volunteer Fire Dept is requesting \$5,000 to make improvements to their station.
TOTAL PROJECT COST: \$10,000.00
AMOUNT RECOMMENDED FOR FUNDING: \$5,000.00
REPRESENTATIVE/SENATOR: Hon. Chris Richey / Hon. Stephanie Flowers
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APPLICANT: Nimrod-Aplin
PROGRAM: Fire Protection
MAYOR/COUNTY JUDGE: Perry / Hon. Baylor House
PROJECT NARRATIVE: The Nimrod-Aplin Fire Dept is requesting \$9,180 to complete their fire station with water, sewer, and electrical work in addition to construction of a kitchen and bathroom.
TOTAL PROJECT COST: \$18,444.00
AMOUNT RECOMMENDED FOR FUNDING: \$8,500.00
REPRESENTATIVE/SENATOR: Hon. Tommy Thompson / Hon. David Sanders
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APPLICANT: O'Kean

PROGRAM: Fire Protection

MAYOR/COUNTY JUDGE: Randolph / Hon. Danny Gifford

PROJECT NARRATIVE: The O'Kean Volunteer Fire Dept is requesting \$15,000 to build an insulated addition to the existing building.

TOTAL PROJECT COST: \$35,000.00

AMOUNT RECOMMENDED FOR FUNDING: \$12,500.00

REPRESENTATIVE/SENATOR: Hon. Joe Jett / Hon. Robert Thompson
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APPLICANT: Point Cedar

PROGRAM: Fire Protection

MAYOR/COUNTY JUDGE: Hot Spring / Hon. Bill Scrimshire

PROJECT NARRATIVE: The Point Cedar Volunteer Fire Dept is requesting \$10,927 to update their radio system for the new FCC regulations.

TOTAL PROJECT COST: \$21,854.00

AMOUNT RECOMMENDED FOR FUNDING: \$8,500.00

REPRESENTATIVE/SENATOR: Hon. Richard Womack / Hon. Alan Clark
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APPLICANT: Rosston

PROGRAM: Community Development

MAYOR/COUNTY JUDGE: Nevada / Hon. Lewis Jackson

PROJECT NARRATIVE: The City of Rosston is requesting \$11,242.50 to construct the first phase of a city baseball field complex.

TOTAL PROJECT COST: \$24,450.96

AMOUNT RECOMMENDED FOR FUNDING: \$10,000.00

REPRESENTATIVE/SENATOR: Hon. David Fielding / Hon. Bruce Maloch
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APPLICANT: Rudd's Crossing

PROGRAM: Fire Protection

MAYOR/COUNTY JUDGE: Columbia / Hon. Larry Atkinson

PROJECT NARRATIVE: The Rudd's Crossing Volunteer Fire Dept is requesting \$15,000 to purchase a brush truck.

TOTAL PROJECT COST: \$30,144.00

AMOUNT RECOMMENDED FOR FUNDING: \$12,500.00

REPRESENTATIVE/SENATOR: Hon. David Fielding / Hon. Bruce Maloch
Hon. Lane Jean /

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APPLICANT: Spadra

PROGRAM: Fire Protection

MAYOR/COUNTY JUDGE: Johnson /

Hon. Mike Jacobs

PROJECT NARRATIVE: The Spadra Rural Fire Dept #9 is requesting \$9,211 to update their overhead doors, electrical work, and purchase of security cameras.

TOTAL PROJECT COST: \$18,422.00

AMOUNT RECOMMENDED FOR FUNDING: \$6,000.00

REPRESENTATIVE/SENATOR: Hon. Betty Overbey

/ Hon. Gary Stubblefield

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APPLICANT: Thornton

PROGRAM: Fire Protection

MAYOR/COUNTY JUDGE: Calhoun / Hon. Libby Coates

PROJECT NARRATIVE: The Thornton Fire Dept is requesting \$15,000 to purchase a brush truck and skid unit.

TOTAL PROJECT COST: \$34,250.00

AMOUNT RECOMMENDED FOR FUNDING: \$12,500.00

REPRESENTATIVE/SENATOR: Hon. Jeff Wardlaw

/ Hon. Bobby Pierce

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**Rural Community Grant Programs
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APPLICANT: Antioch
PROGRAM: Fire Protection
COUNTY/JUDGE/MAYOR: White / Hon. Michael Lincoln /
PROJECT NARRATIVE: The Antioch Fire Dept is requesting \$12,000 to purchase a used tanker truck.
TOTAL PROJECT COST: \$24,277.18
AMOUNT RECOMMENDED FOR FUNDING: \$0.00
REPRESENTATIVE/SENATOR: Hon. Joe Farrer / Hon. Eddie Joe Williams

APPLICANT: Belleville
PROGRAM: Community Development
COUNTY/JUDGE/MAYOR: Yell / Hon. Boyce Page
PROJECT NARRATIVE: The City of Belleville is requesting \$15,000 to improve and update the city park by making it safer for use and handicap accessible.
TOTAL PROJECT COST: \$32,346.97
AMOUNT RECOMMENDED FOR FUNDING: \$0.00
REPRESENTATIVE/SENATOR: Hon. John Catlett / Hon. Gary Stubblefield

APPLICANT: Briggsville
PROGRAM: Fire Protection
COUNTY/JUDGE/MAYOR: Yell / Hon. Mark Thone /
PROJECT NARRATIVE: The Briggsville Fire Dept is requesting \$15,000 to build a new fire station.
TOTAL PROJECT COST: \$31,665.00
AMOUNT RECOMMENDED FOR FUNDING: \$0.00
REPRESENTATIVE/SENATOR: Hon. John Catlett / Hon. Gary Stubblefield

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APPLICANT: Cave Springs

PROGRAM: Fire Protection

COUNTY/JUDGE/MAYOR: Benton / / Hon. Larry Smith

PROJECT NARRATIVE: The Cave Springs Fire Dept is requesting \$7,000 to purchase hose and SCBA's.

TOTAL PROJECT COST: \$14,055.10

AMOUNT RECOMMENDED FOR FUNDING: \$0.00

REPRESENTATIVE/SENATOR: Hon. Dan M. Douglas / Hon. Bart Hester

APPLICANT: Cherry Hill

PROGRAM: Fire Protection

COUNTY/JUDGE/MAYOR: Perry / Hon. Baylor House /

PROJECT NARRATIVE: The Cherry Hill Volunteer Fire Dept is requesting \$15,000 to purchase an Engine/Pumper.

TOTAL PROJECT COST: \$30,000.00

AMOUNT RECOMMENDED FOR FUNDING: \$0.00

REPRESENTATIVE/SENATOR: Hon. John Catlett / Hon. David Sanders

APPLICANT: Cove

PROGRAM: Community Development

COUNTY/JUDGE/MAYOR: Polk / / Hon. Joan Headley

PROJECT NARRATIVE: The City of Cove is requesting \$10,475 to purchase and install a storm warning siren.

TOTAL PROJECT COST: \$22,084.00

AMOUNT RECOMMENDED FOR FUNDING: \$0.00

REPRESENTATIVE/SENATOR: Hon. Nate Bell / Hon. Larry Teague

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APPLICANT: Dell
PROGRAM: Community Development
COUNTY/JUDGE/MAYOR: Mississippi / / Hon. Kenneth Jackson
PROJECT NARRATIVE: The Dell Fire Dept is requesting \$9,804.13 to purchase radios in compliance with the new Federal Mandate.
TOTAL PROJECT COST: \$19,608.25
AMOUNT RECOMMENDED FOR FUNDING: \$0.00
REPRESENTATIVE/SENATOR: Hon. Wes Wagner / Hon. David Burnett

APPLICANT: Greenland
PROGRAM: Community Development
COUNTY/JUDGE/MAYOR: Washington / / Hon. Gary Ricker
PROJECT NARRATIVE: The City of Greenland is requesting \$15,000 to replace the roof on the community center, upgrade the interior, and install a generator.
TOTAL PROJECT COST: \$30,116.00
AMOUNT RECOMMENDED FOR FUNDING: \$0.00
REPRESENTATIVE/SENATOR: Hon. Charlie Collins / Hon. Uvalde Lindsey

APPLICANT: Hagarville
PROGRAM: Fire Protection
COUNTY/JUDGE/MAYOR: Johnson / Hon. Mike Jacobs /
PROJECT NARRATIVE: The Hagarville Rural Fire Dept #3 is requesting \$15,000 to purchase a new tanker truck.
TOTAL PROJECT COST: \$39,900.00
AMOUNT RECOMMENDED FOR FUNDING: \$0.00
REPRESENTATIVE/SENATOR: Hon. Betty Overbey / Hon. Gary Stubblefield

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APPLICANT: Hampton
PROGRAM: Community Development
COUNTY/JUDGE/MAYOR: Calhoun / / Hon. Rick Shirron
PROJECT NARRATIVE: The City of Hampton is requesting \$3,810 to install a cover over the bleachers at the city baseball park.
TOTAL PROJECT COST: \$7,620.00
AMOUNT RECOMMENDED FOR FUNDING: \$0.00
REPRESENTATIVE/SENATOR: Hon. Jeff Wardlaw / Hon. Bobby Pierce

APPLICANT: Hilltop
PROGRAM: Fire Protection
COUNTY/JUDGE/MAYOR: Faulkner / Hon. Allen Dodson /
PROJECT NARRATIVE: The Hilltop Fire Protection District is requesting \$15,000 to finish constructing their new fire station.
TOTAL PROJECT COST: \$45,973.13
AMOUNT RECOMMENDED FOR FUNDING: \$0.00
REPRESENTATIVE/SENATOR: Hon. Stephen Meeks / Hon. Eddie Joe Williams

APPLICANT: Lakeside
PROGRAM: Fire Protection
COUNTY/JUDGE/MAYOR: Ouachita / Hon. Mike Hesterly /
PROJECT NARRATIVE: Ouachita County Fire District (Lakeside Fire Station) is requesting \$15,000 to replace a rusted tank and repair the damage to the truck.
TOTAL PROJECT COST: \$30,434.93
AMOUNT RECOMMENDED FOR FUNDING: \$0.00
REPRESENTATIVE/SENATOR: Hon. Matthew Shepherd / Hon. Bobby Pierce

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APPLICANT: Leachville
PROGRAM: Fire Protection
COUNTY/JUDGE/MAYOR: Mississippi / / Hon. Shelia Spurlock
PROJECT NARRATIVE: The City of Leachville is requesting \$14,965.04 to purchase turnout gear, hoses, lights, supplies, and heat and air units.
TOTAL PROJECT COST: \$29,930.09
AMOUNT RECOMMENDED FOR FUNDING: \$0.00
REPRESENTATIVE/SENATOR: Hon. Wes Wagner / Hon. David Burnett

APPLICANT: Mountain View
PROGRAM: Community Development
COUNTY/JUDGE/MAYOR: Stone / / Hon. Ron Sterling
PROJECT NARRATIVE: The City of Mountain View is requesting \$15,000 to purchase a score board and construct a fence around a baseball field in the Stone County Recreational Complex.
TOTAL PROJECT COST: \$31,734.00
AMOUNT RECOMMENDED FOR FUNDING: \$0.00
REPRESENTATIVE/SENATOR: Hon. Tommy Wren / Hon. Missy Irvin

APPLICANT: Mulberry
PROGRAM: Community Development
COUNTY/JUDGE/MAYOR: Crawford / / Hon. Gary Baxter
PROJECT NARRATIVE: The City of Mulberry is requesting \$15,000 to construct a basketball court at the new city park.
TOTAL PROJECT COST: \$47,290.00
AMOUNT RECOMMENDED FOR FUNDING: \$0.00
REPRESENTATIVE/SENATOR: Hon. Charlotte Vining Douglas / Hon. Bryan King

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APPLICANT: New Blaine
PROGRAM: Fire Protection
COUNTY/JUDGE/MAYOR: Logan / Hon. Gus Young /
PROJECT NARRATIVE: The New Blaine Rural Fire Dept is requesting \$13,500 to build a two-bay station.
TOTAL PROJECT COST: \$27,898.17
AMOUNT RECOMMENDED FOR FUNDING: \$0.00
REPRESENTATIVE/SENATOR: Hon. Jon S. Eubanks / Hon. Gary Stubblefield

APPLICANT: St. Joe
PROGRAM: Community Development
COUNTY/JUDGE/MAYOR: Searcy / / Hon. John Henley
PROJECT NARRATIVE: The Town of St. Joe is requesting \$5,569.86 to install a wooden deck around the St. Joe Depot Museum.
TOTAL PROJECT COST: \$11,139.72
AMOUNT RECOMMENDED FOR FUNDING: \$0.00
REPRESENTATIVE/SENATOR: Hon. Kelley Linck / Hon. Missy Irvin

APPLICANT: Sulphur Springs
PROGRAM: Fire Protection
COUNTY/JUDGE/MAYOR: Benton / / Hon. Bobby Simon
PROJECT NARRATIVE: The Sulphur Springs Fire Dept is requesting \$12,383.49 to build a 20 x 30 addition to their fire station to house fire equipment and trucks.
TOTAL PROJECT COST: \$24,766.99
AMOUNT RECOMMENDED FOR FUNDING: \$0.00
REPRESENTATIVE/SENATOR: Hon. Mary L. Slinkard / Hon. Jim Hendren

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APPLICANT: Sulphur/Laverna
PROGRAM: Fire Protection
COUNTY/JUDGE/MAYOR: Montgomery / Hon. Alvin Black /
PROJECT NARRATIVE: The Sulphur/Laverna Fire Dept is requesting \$15,000 to purchase a fire truck for the station located in the Story Community.
TOTAL PROJECT COST: \$36,000.00
AMOUNT RECOMMENDED FOR FUNDING: \$0.00
REPRESENTATIVE/SENATOR: Hon. Terry Rice / Hon. Larry Teague

APPLICANT: Viola
PROGRAM: Fire Protection
COUNTY/JUDGE/MAYOR: Fulton / Hon. Lowell "Jackie" Estes
PROJECT NARRATIVE: The Viola Fire Dept is requesting \$8,247 to purchase a new compressor for their breathing air cascade system
TOTAL PROJECT COST: \$16,494.00
AMOUNT RECOMMENDED FOR FUNDING: \$0.00
REPRESENTATIVE/SENATOR: Hon. Scott Baltz / Hon. Missy Irvin

APPLICANT: Warm Springs
PROGRAM: Fire Protection
COUNTY/JUDGE/MAYOR: Randolph / Hon. David Jansen /
PROJECT NARRATIVE: The Warm Springs Volunteer Fire Dept is requesting \$13,500 to purchase a brush truck.
TOTAL PROJECT COST: \$27,320.04
AMOUNT RECOMMENDED FOR FUNDING: \$0.00
REPRESENTATIVE/SENATOR: Hon. Scott Baltz / Hon. David Wyatt