

**SEMINOLE COUNTY GOVERNMENT  
AGENDA MEMORANDUM**

**SUBJECT:** Assistance To Firefighters Grant

**DEPARTMENT:** Public Safety **DIVISION:** EMS/Fire/Rescue

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<b>Agenda Date</b> <u>3/23/04</u> <b>Regular</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Consent</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Work Session</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Briefing</b> <input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Public Hearing – 1:30</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Public Hearing – 7:00</b> <input type="checkbox"/>

**MOTION/RECOMMENDATION:**

Seminole County EMS/Fire/Rescue is requesting BCC approval to pursue federal grant funding through the 2004 Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program. The target project for this funding is training equipment.

**BACKGROUND:**

Seminole County is seeking up to \$750,000 from the Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program. This is a competitive grant sponsored by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security. The grant is designed as a 70/30 matching program. Seminole County's share will not exceed \$250,000.

Seminole County EMS/Fire/Rescue is in need of funding to purchase training equipment and props that will offer both basic and advanced level training for emergency responders. This training will include, but not be limited to, confined space rescue, LP gas emergencies, trench rescue, elevated rescue, hazardous materials and WMD.

Seminole County EMS/Fire/Rescue has experienced prior success with this grant. Requested competitive funding was received in 2001 and 2003 for other programs.

<b>Reviewed by:</b>
<b>Co Atty:</b> _____
<b>DFS:</b> _____
<b>Other:</b> _____
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<b>CM:</b> <u>LB</u>
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