

**SEMINOLE COUNTY GOVERNMENT
AGENDA MEMORANDUM**

SUBJECT: Liberty Shield – Critical Infrastructure Reimbursements

DEPARTMENT: Fiscal Services **DIVISION:** Grants

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Agenda Date <u>6-24-03</u> Regular <input type="checkbox"/> Consent <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Work Session <input type="checkbox"/> Briefing <input type="checkbox"/>
Public Hearing – 1:30 <input type="checkbox"/> Public Hearing – 7:00 <input type="checkbox"/>

MOTION/RECOMMENDATION:

Approval by the Board of County Commissioners to submit an application to Division of Emergency Management for potential reimbursement of operational cost to include personnel overtime during designated times of heightened security.

BACKGROUND:

Liberty Shield, PL 108-11, enacted April 16, 2003, provides funding for critical infrastructure protection through the Office of Domestic Preparedness for operational costs, to include personnel overtime as needed that had increased security services resulting in recent heighten threat levels. The periods covered are when the Department of Homeland Security raised the Threat Level to High (orange) from March 17, 2003 through April 16, 2003 and from May 20, 2003 through May 30, 2003.

As a potential applicant, Seminole County Environmental Services will need to document overtime expenses for personnel and contracted security in sufficient detail to satisfy the requirements of Office of Management Circular (OMB) A-87. These forms will be submitted as application to the Division of Emergency Management for funding consideration. The deadline for *Critical Infrastructure Reimbursements* is June 30, 2003, with funding expected by the end of August.

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Co Atty: _____
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STATE OF FLORIDA

DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS

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MEMORANDUM

Date: June 01, 2003

TO: Commission Chair, County Administrator, Mayor, Honorable Sheriff

FROM: W. Craig Fugate, Director Florida Division of Emergency Management

SUBJECT: Infrastructure Security Reimbursements

On May 9, Governor Bush wrote to you announcing the set aside of \$8.4 million to reimburse Florida's state and local governments for domestic security measures instituted during the recent heightened state of alert. We have received federal guidelines for distributing these funds, and have filed the necessary application with the Office of Domestic Preparedness for Florida's share of funding.

According to the federal guidelines, these funds are to be used for public safety agency overtime costs, contract security personnel costs, and state-ordered National Guard deployments required to augment security at critical infrastructure during the period March 17, 2003 through April 16, 2003. The guidelines also provide for a short time frame in which to collect and process state and local requests for reimbursement.

To facilitate rapid request and distribution of reimbursement funds, the Department of Community Affairs, Division of Emergency Management (DEM) will conduct regional workshops between June 5 and June 11, 2003 (see attached schedule) to inform eligible applicants about requirements and procedures for obtaining reimbursement. Multiple workshops will be held in each region to maximize the opportunity for applicants to attend.

Following the workshops, each agency eligible for reimbursement will submit their claims to DEM for payment. DEM will collect requests for reimbursement through June 30, 2003, at which time application for Operation Liberty Shield reimbursements will be closed. If total reimbursement requests are less than the \$8 million allocated for Florida for this purpose, validated claims will be immediately paid. Residual funds will be retained for disbursement after future periods of heightened threat, should they occur. Should validated claims exceed available funding, they will be paid on a prorated basis.

Please select a convenient workshop from the attached list, and register by contacting the regional workshop coordinator listed. For questions regarding the program or for additional information, please contact Dennis Smith, Program Administrator, Disaster Recovery at (850)413-9938.

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