

## **FISCAL YEAR 2021 STAFFING FOR ADEQUATE FIRE AND EMERGENCY RESPONSE (SAFER) GRANT**

- Summary:** Provides funding to fire departments and volunteer firefighter organizations to assist in increasing staffing to help communities provide adequate fire protection and to fulfill traditional missions of fire departments.
- Agency:** FEMA (Department of Homeland Security)
- Eligibility:** County, city, and township governments, and nonprofit organizations are eligible.
- Funding:** \$560,000,000 available.
- Cost Match:** No match is required.
- Deadline:** Application deadline is February 4, 2022.

### MAIN\$PRING SPOTLIGHT

#### Eligible Costs and Activities

- Hiring of firefighters and other Emergency Response Team members
- Salaries and benefits of firefighters hired with SAFER Program funding
- Costs to support a staffing needs assessment
- Marketing Program to recruit new volunteer firefighters
- Leadership/career development training
- Tuition assistance for higher education
- New recruit basic training

NOPEC encourages its members to consider this opportunity and share it with eligible entities within their communities. Interested parties should contact Jessica Renner at [irenner@nopec.org](mailto:irenner@nopec.org). NOPEC's resource development team will advise prospective applicants on the next steps.

Stay tuned for our next edition of the Funding Main\$pring in February!



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