



# City Council Report

**Date:** October 16, 2017  
**To:** City Council  
**Through:** John Pombier, Deputy City Manager  
**From:** Mary Cameli, Fire Chief  
**Subject:** Subgrantee Agreement with the Arizona Department of Homeland Security, 2017 Metropolitan Medical Response System funds "Citywide" project (Citywide)

## **Purpose and Recommendation**

The City of Mesa Fire and Medical Department is respectfully requesting that the Mesa City Council authorize the City Manager or his designee to approve and execute a Subgrantee Agreement with the Arizona Department of Homeland Security. The Agreement provides \$25,600 to the Mesa Fire and Medical Department for the Metropolitan Medical Response Systems (MMRS) for equipment.

## **Background**

The United States Department of Homeland Security (USDOHS) through the Arizona Department of Homeland Security (AZDOHS) Grant Program provides grant funding to support areas of equipment, training exercise and planning to support a response to a terrorist incident and large scale disaster. The AZDOHS 2017 Homeland Security Grant Program has identified funds for the City of Mesa Fire and Medical Department of \$25,600 for equipment to maintain the MMRS Cache deployed in the event of a large, scale mass casualty incident. If approved, the funding will be used to support the City's ability to prevent and respond to acts of terrorism.

## **Discussion**

The Mesa Fire and Medical Department is one of four designated MMRS jurisdictions in the state of Arizona. As a statewide asset we work very closely with our surrounding partners to build a cache of equipment and resources that are able to work seamlessly together on large scale mass casualty events. As funding to maintain these assets has decreased, we have utilized a regional approach to find cost savings. This has allowed us to maintain this capability.

**Alternatives**

If the Subgrantee Agreement is not approved, the funding will remain with the State to be distributed to other valley agencies. This will result in a loss of funding for the Mesa Fire and Medical Department Metropolitan Medical Response Systems program.

**Fiscal Impact**

The award amount is \$25,600 and no match is required. Approving the use of these grant funds will allow the City of Mesa to accept grant funding allocated to the sustainment of the Metropolitan Medical Response Systems.

**Coordinated With**

This grant funding will be managed through the Mesa Fire and Medical Department and they are in support of this resolution.