



CONTRA COSTA COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT  
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# FY 21 SAFER Grant Application



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## FY 21 SAFER Grant – What is the need?

- Overall increased call volume of the District
  - Due to cross-staffing our rescues, the increased call volume results in delays and reduced availability of rescue companies
  - Number of rescue-related calls is increasing
- Complexity of rescue calls is increasing
  - Confined space and rope rescue
  - Auto extrication - vehicle disentanglements are becoming extended due to vehicle construction and increased speeds
- Technical expertise, training, and skills required for mitigating rescue calls is increasing
  - Large amount of specialized training required to become and remain technically competent

## FY 21 SAFER Grant - Benefits

- Provides for constant availability of a dedicated, properly trained and staffed rescue company
- Maintains technical competencies of assigned personnel and provides technical expertise at incidents
- Increased ability to provide technical rescue training to other on duty personnel
- Increases fire based rescue capability
  - When assigned to a fire, provides an increase of 25% of personnel on a first alarm fire
  - Increases fireground capability and safety for fires involving rescue
- Allows an engine company to stay in service that would have in the past been used to cross staff the rescue

## **FY 21 SAFER Grant - Fiscal Impact**

- Application in the amount of \$11.5 million
- If awarded, the funding would cover a three-year performance period
- There is no local agency match requirement or position cost caps for the FY 21 SAFER grant program
- The District would need to add 12 positions in early 2023
- This action is for the application only
  - Should the District be awarded the grant, staff will return to the Board for approval to accept the grant.
  - At that time, an updated fiscal impact will be provided
- A side letter with IAFF Local 1230 will be required to outline the program and funding commitment of the grant program
- Reimbursement during the period of performance would be on a quarterly basis



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# Questions?

