

Arkansas Rural Community Grant Programs
Fiscal Year 2016, Cycle II
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Programs:

The Arkansas Rural Community Grants are made up of the following programs with examples of eligible projects noted:

Arkansas Rural Community Development Grant

- Construction or renovations to publicly owned buildings (civic, community, recycling, senior and youth centers, libraries, museums, etc.);
- Parks and other recreational facilities (baseball and softball fields, landscape/beautification projects, picnic areas, jogging/walking trails, etc.).

Arkansas Rural Community Fire Protection Grant

- Construction of new fire facilities;
- Purchase of fire protection equipment and/or vehicles;
- Rehabilitation/Retrofitting of newly acquired equipment and vehicles;
- Renovation of existing facilities

Grant Review Process:

Each grant application is date stamped and assigned a control number upon receipt to the Arkansas Economic Development Commission, Division of Rural Services (DRS). The grants are then reviewed in the order they are received. The reviewer uses a standard checklist to review each application. Applicants submitting their applications prior to the application deadline are notified of application deficiencies and are given the opportunity to submit additional materials prior the application deadline. Applicants postmarking their application on the date of the deadline are eligible and are reviewed by the same process, but are only allowed one day to submit material to eliminate any deficiencies. All complete applications as of the application deadline are then checked against the previous grant awards database to determine if the community currently has an active grant. Applications are then entered into a database to generate lists and total requests. Copies of complete and eligible applications with a computerized listing are then forwarded to a four person review committee made up of members of the Arkansas Rural Development Commission (ARDC) appointed by the ARDC Chairperson. The ARDC Grants Review Committee meets and reviews the grants with staff members with their recommendations. Recommendations are entered into the grant database and a listing of all complete and eligible grant applications with funding recommendations is forwarded to all members of the ARDC. The ARDC then meets, discusses the recommendations, and approves final funding recommendations that are forwarded to Legislative Council and the Governor for approval.

Cycle II FY16 Information:

Amount Available for Distribution for Community Development and Fire Protection Grants: \$171,232

Amount Requested under the Community Development Program: \$89,897.22

Amount Available for Distribution under the Community Development Program: \$55,453.00

Amount Requested under the Fire Protection Program: \$160,369.07

Amount Available for Distribution under the Fire Protection Program: \$115,779.00

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APPLICANT: Alpena
PROGRAM: Fire Protection
COUNTY: Boone
MAYOR/COUNTY JUDGE The Honorable Bobbie Bailey
MAYOR/COUNTY JUDGE PHONE (870) 437-2272
PROJECT NARRATIVE: Alpena VFD is requesting \$10,000 to purchase a a new brush truck.
TOTAL PROJECT COST: \$20,000.00
AMOUNT RECOMMENDED FOR FUNDING: \$10,000.00
REPRESENTATIVE/SENATOR: The Honorable Ron McNair / The Honorable Greg Standridge
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APPLICANT: Appleton
PROGRAM: Fire Protection
COUNTY: Pope
MAYOR/COUNTY JUDGE The Honorable Jim Ed Gibson
MAYOR/COUNTY JUDGE PHONE (479) 968-7487
PROJECT NARRATIVE: The Appleton FD Is requesting \$4,110.35 to purchase the tank and equipment for a water truck.
TOTAL PROJECT COST: \$8,220.70
AMOUNT RECOMMENDED FOR FUNDING: \$4,110.00
REPRESENTATIVE/SENATOR: The Honorable Trevor Drown / The Honorable Greg Standridge
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APPLICANT: Camp VFD
PROGRAM: Fire Protection
COUNTY: Fulton
MAYOR/COUNTY JUDGE The Honorable Darrell Zimmer
MAYOR/COUNTY JUDGE PHONE (870) 895-3341
PROJECT NARRATIVE: Camp VFD is requesting \$7,114.66 for 16 SCBA cylinders.
TOTAL PROJECT COST: \$14,229.33
AMOUNT RECOMMENDED FOR FUNDING: \$7,114.00
REPRESENTATIVE/SENATOR: The Honorable Scott Baltz / The Honorable Missy Irvin
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APPLICANT: Center Point

PROGRAM: Community Development

COUNTY: Howard

MAYOR/COUNTY JUDGE

The Honorable Kevin Smith

MAYOR/COUNTY JUDGE PHONE (870) 845-7500

PROJECT NARRATIVE: The community of Center Point is requesting \$10,000 to purchase new playground equipment for the community park.

TOTAL PROJECT COST: \$20,000.00

AMOUNT RECOMMENDED FOR FUNDING: \$10,000.00

REPRESENTATIVE/SENATOR: The Honorable Justin Gonzales / The Honorable Larry Teague
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APPLICANT: Clarkridge

PROGRAM: Fire Protection

COUNTY: Baxter

MAYOR/COUNTY JUDGE

The Honorable Mickey Pendergrass

MAYOR/COUNTY JUDGE PHONE (870) 425-2755

PROJECT NARRATIVE: Clarkridge FD is requesting \$12,168.45 to purchase and equip an ATV unit for brush fighting and remote rescue.

TOTAL PROJECT COST: \$24,336.90

AMOUNT RECOMMENDED FOR FUNDING: \$12,168.00

REPRESENTATIVE/SENATOR: The Honorable Nelda Speaks / The Honorable Scott Flippo
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APPLICANT: Colt

PROGRAM: Fire Protection

COUNTY: St. Francis

MAYOR/COUNTY JUDGE The Honorable Randy Hefner

MAYOR/COUNTY JUDGE PHONE (870) 270-6599

PROJECT NARRATIVE: Colt Community VFD is requesting \$15,000 to fund phase three of their fire station expansion.

TOTAL PROJECT COST: \$33,000.00

AMOUNT RECOMMENDED FOR FUNDING: \$15,000.00

REPRESENTATIVE/SENATOR: The Honorable Marshall Wright / The Honorable Ronald Caldwell
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APPLICANT: Crows Station

PROGRAM: Fire Protection

COUNTY: Saline

MAYOR/COUNTY JUDGE

MAYOR/COUNTY JUDGE PHONE (501) 303-5640

PROJECT NARRATIVE: Crows Station VFD is requesting \$5,221.50 to purchase four new sets of turnout gear.

TOTAL PROJECT COST: \$10,443.00

AMOUNT RECOMMENDED FOR FUNDING: \$5,221.00

REPRESENTATIVE/SENATOR: The Honorable Lanny Fite / The Honorable Bill Sample
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APPLICANT: El Paso

PROGRAM: Fire Protection

COUNTY: White

MAYOR/COUNTY JUDGE The Honorable Michael Lincoln

MAYOR/COUNTY JUDGE PHONE (501) 279-6200

PROJECT NARRATIVE: El Paso VFD is requesting \$13,250 to add two additional bays to their fire station.

TOTAL PROJECT COST: \$26,500.00

AMOUNT RECOMMENDED FOR FUNDING: \$13,250.00

REPRESENTATIVE/SENATOR: The Honorable Joe Farrer / The Honorable Eddie Joe Williams
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APPLICANT: Grassy Knob VFD

PROGRAM: Fire Protection

COUNTY: Carroll

MAYOR/COUNTY JUDGE The Honorable Sam Barr

MAYOR/COUNTY JUDGE PHONE (870) 423-2967

PROJECT NARRATIVE: Grassy Knob VFD is requesting \$8,400 to outfit a fire boat with safety equipment to address shoreline fires.

TOTAL PROJECT COST: \$16,800.00

AMOUNT RECOMMENDED FOR FUNDING: \$8,400.00

REPRESENTATIVE/SENATOR: The Honorable Bob Ballinger / The Honorable Bryan King
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APPLICANT: Lincoln
PROGRAM: Fire Protection
COUNTY: Washington
MAYOR/COUNTY JUDGE The Honorable Rob Hulse
MAYOR/COUNTY JUDGE PHONE (479) 790-0467
PROJECT NARRATIVE: Mulberry FD is requesting \$7,204 to purchase and equip a side by side vehicle.
TOTAL PROJECT COST: \$14,408.00
AMOUNT RECOMMENDED FOR FUNDING: \$7,204.00
REPRESENTATIVE/SENATOR: The Honorable Charlene Fite / The Honorable Jim Hendren
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APPLICANT: Mansfield
PROGRAM: Fire Protection
COUNTY: Sebastian
MAYOR/COUNTY JUDGE The Honorable Larry Austin
MAYOR/COUNTY JUDGE PHONE (479) 928-5552
PROJECT NARRATIVE: Mansfield FD is requesting \$8,942.75 to purchase new radios, beepers and turnout equipment.
TOTAL PROJECT COST: \$17,885.50
AMOUNT RECOMMENDED FOR FUNDING: \$8,942.00
REPRESENTATIVE/SENATOR: The Honorable Jon S. Eubanks / The Honorable Terry Rice
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APPLICANT: Mulberry
PROGRAM: Community Development
COUNTY: Crawford
MAYOR/COUNTY JUDGE The Honorable Gary Baxter
MAYOR/COUNTY JUDGE PHONE (479) 997-1321
PROJECT NARRATIVE: City of Mulberry is requesting \$15,000 to renovate their community center.
TOTAL PROJECT COST: \$36,016.00
AMOUNT RECOMMENDED FOR FUNDING: \$15,000.00
REPRESENTATIVE/SENATOR: The Honorable Charlotte Vining Dou / The Honorable Bryan King
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APPLICANT: Provo
PROGRAM: Community Development
COUNTY: Sevier
MAYOR/COUNTY JUDGE The Honorable Greg Ray
MAYOR/COUNTY JUDGE PHONE (870) 642-2425
PROJECT NARRATIVE: The City of Provo is requesting \$1,458 to provide their community pavillion with picnic tables
TOTAL PROJECT COST: \$2,916.79
AMOUNT RECOMMENDED FOR FUNDING: \$1,458.00
REPRESENTATIVE/SENATOR: The Honorable DeAnn Vaught / The Honorable Larry Teague
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APPLICANT: Snowball and Dongola
PROGRAM: Fire Protection
COUNTY: Searcy
MAYOR/COUNTY JUDGE The Honorable Jim Harness
MAYOR/COUNTY JUDGE PHONE (870) 448-3554
PROJECT NARRATIVE: Snowball and Dongola FD is requesting \$13,070.36 to expand their current fire station.
TOTAL PROJECT COST: \$26,140.73
AMOUNT RECOMMENDED FOR FUNDING: \$13,070.00
REPRESENTATIVE/SENATOR: The Honorable David Branscum / The Honorable Missy Irvin
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APPLICANT: St. Charles
PROGRAM: Fire Protection
COUNTY: Arkansas
MAYOR/COUNTY JUDGE The Honorable Robert Patrick
MAYOR/COUNTY JUDGE PHONE (870) 282-3425
PROJECT NARRATIVE: St. Charles is requesting \$11,300 to purchase a digital repeater for the city/fire department.
TOTAL PROJECT COST: \$22,600.00
AMOUNT RECOMMENDED FOR FUNDING: \$11,300.00
REPRESENTATIVE/SENATOR: The Honorable Chris Richey / The Honorable Stephanie Flowers
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APPLICANT: Sulphur Springs

PROGRAM: Community Development

COUNTY: Benton

MAYOR/COUNTY JUDGE The Honorable Gregory Barber

MAYOR/COUNTY JUDGE PHONE (479) 228-4515

PROJECT NARRATIVE: City of Sulphur Springs is requesting \$13,995.60 to replace the roof on the old school complex.

TOTAL PROJECT COST: \$61,200.00

AMOUNT RECOMMENDED FOR FUNDING: \$13,995.00

REPRESENTATIVE/SENATOR: The Honorable Kim Hendren / The Honorable Jim Hendren
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APPLICANT: Tontitown

PROGRAM: Community Development

COUNTY: Washington

MAYOR/COUNTY JUDGE The Honorable Paul Colvin

MAYOR/COUNTY JUDGE PHONE (479) 361-2700

PROJECT NARRATIVE: City of Tontitown is requesting \$15,000 to enhance the community park.

TOTAL PROJECT COST: \$150,000.00

AMOUNT RECOMMENDED FOR FUNDING: \$15,000.00

REPRESENTATIVE/SENATOR: The Honorable Robin Lundstrum / The Honorable Jon Woods
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APPLICANT: Bethesda

PROGRAM: Community Development

COUNTY: Independence

MAYOR/COUNTY JUDGE: The Honorable Robert Griffin /

PROJECT NARRATIVE: Community of Bethesda is requesting \$3,151 to make improvements to their community center.

TOTAL PROJECT COST: \$6,302.00

AMOUNT RECOMMENDED FOR FUNDING: \$0.00

REPRESENTATIVE/SENATOR: The Honorable Michelle Gray / The Honorable Linda Collins-Smith

APPLICANT: Fairfield Bay

PROGRAM: Community Development

COUNTY: Cleburne

MAYOR/COUNTY JUDGE: The Honorable Paul Wellenberger /

PROJECT NARRATIVE: Fairfield Bay is requesting \$9,967.62 for the purchase of new L.E.D. lighting to replace existing lighting.

TOTAL PROJECT COST: \$19,935.25

AMOUNT RECOMMENDED FOR FUNDING: \$0.00

REPRESENTATIVE/SENATOR: The Honorable Trevor Drown / The Honorable Missy Irvin

APPLICANT: Hatfield

PROGRAM: Community Development

COUNTY: Polk

MAYOR/COUNTY JUDGE: The Honorable Larry Stricklin /

PROJECT NARRATIVE: City of Hatfield is requesting \$6,325 to pave two handicapped spaces and a portion of the walking trail at the city park.

TOTAL PROJECT COST: \$12,650.00

AMOUNT RECOMMENDED FOR FUNDING: \$0.00

REPRESENTATIVE/SENATOR: The Honorable Nate Bell / The Honorable Larry Teague

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APPLICANT: Head
PROGRAM: Community Development
COUNTY: Carroll
MAYOR/COUNTY JUDGE: / The Honorable Sam Barr
PROJECT NARRATIVE: The Head Community is requesting \$15,000 to renovate and preserve the Community Center.
TOTAL PROJECT COST: \$75,000.00
AMOUNT RECOMMENDED FOR FUNDING: \$0.00
REPRESENTATIVE/SENATOR: The Honorable Ron McNair / The Honorable Bryan King

APPLICANT: Johnson County #2
PROGRAM: Fire Protection
COUNTY: Johnson
MAYOR/COUNTY JUDGE: / The Honorable Herman H. Hou
PROJECT NARRATIVE: Johnson County #2 is requesting \$15,000 to construct a new facility.
TOTAL PROJECT COST: \$33,630.00
AMOUNT RECOMMENDED FOR FUNDING: \$0.00
REPRESENTATIVE/SENATOR: The Honorable Betty Overbey / The Honorable Gary Stubblefield

APPLICANT: Poyen
PROGRAM: Fire Protection
COUNTY: Grant
MAYOR/COUNTY JUDGE: The Honorable Brian Riggan /
PROJECT NARRATIVE: Poyen FD is requesting \$14,895 to purchase 15 new sets of turnout gear.
TOTAL PROJECT COST: \$29,790.00
AMOUNT RECOMMENDED FOR FUNDING: \$0.00
REPRESENTATIVE/SENATOR: The Honorable Ken Bragg / The Honorable Alan Clark

APPLICANT: Saffell
PROGRAM: Fire Protection
COUNTY: Lawrence
MAYOR/COUNTY JUDGE: / The Honorable Dale Freeman
PROJECT NARRATIVE: Saffell FD is requesting \$14,692 to expand the fire department.
TOTAL PROJECT COST: \$29,384.00
AMOUNT RECOMMENDED FOR FUNDING: \$0.00
REPRESENTATIVE/SENATOR: The Honorable James Ratliff / The Honorable Blake Johnson
