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To: [Amos, Shonna](#); [Renee Doty](#)
Subject: Rural Community and Rural Services Block Grants for ALC approval
Date: Wednesday, October 12, 2022 9:10:17 AM
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Good Morning Shonna,

Please find the attached Rural Services grants for approval by the Legislative Council scheduled for October 21, 2022. AEDC Legislative Director, Renee Doty and I will be present to represent the Division of Rural Services for the meeting.

The Arkansas Economic Development Commission, Division of Rural Services would like to submit to the Arkansas Legislative Council the proposed approval of funding for Rural Community Grants for Cycle 1 of Fiscal Year 2023 and Rural Services Block Grant for Cycle 1 of Fiscal Year 2023 submitted pursuant to Section 48 of Act 1010 of 2021 regular session.

These grants were approved by Governor Hutchinson on October 11, 2022 and by the Arkansas Rural Development Commission and Secretary Preston on October 4, 2022. I've attached the grants for approval (Rural Community Grant Program and Rural Services Block Grant Program), please let me know if you need anything else.

I can include a memo regarding the one block grant, as it is very unusual and the legislators may want more information, but I was not sure if that would be allowed?

Please let me know that you received these request and if you need anything in addition to what has been provided.

Sincerely,

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Arkansas Block Grant Award Complete and Eligible

Fiscal Year: 2023

Grant Type:

Rural Services Block Grant Program

County	Applicant	Program	Status	Project Narrative	Previous Funding Narrative	Senator	Representative	Recommendation
Boone County	Town Of South Lead Hill	Rural Services Block Grant Program	New Application	The city of Lead Hill is requesting \$75,000.00 in funding to purchase a 2016 Ford F-350 Brush Truck.	Lead Hill received \$60,668 in 2019 to renovate their existing fire station.	Scott Flippo	Jack Fortner	\$75,000.00
Total Requested:								\$75,000.00

Arkansas Rural Community Grant Program

Complete and Eligible

Fiscal Year: 2023 Cycle: 1

Grant Type: Rural Community Grant Program							
Community	County	Requested	Project Narrative	Re	Senator	Representative	Recommendation
Cotter-Gassville Rural Fire Protection District	Baxter	\$12,811.75	Cotter-Gassville RFPD is requesting \$12,811.75 in funding to purchase six SCBA units. This will complete their project to replace all in use units.		Flippo	Speaks	\$12,811.75
Town of Briarcliff	Baxter	\$15,000.00	The city of Briarcliff is requesting \$15,000.00 in funding to construct a storm shelter.		Irvin		\$15,000.00
Avoca Fire Department	Benton	\$15,000.00	The Avoca Fire Department is requesting \$15,000.00 in funding to purchase new extrication equipment.		Bledsoe	Bryant	\$15,000.00
Town Of Avoca	Benton	\$15,000.00	The town of Avoca is requesting \$15,000.00 in funding to create a food truck park for citizens to utilize within the city park.		Bledsoe	Bryant	\$0.00
City Of Taylor	Columbia	\$6,500.00	The city of Taylor is requesting \$6,500.00 in funding to purchase a new entry sign for the city.		Beckham	Jean	\$6,500.00
City Of Bono	Craighead	\$15,000.00	The city of Bono is requesting \$15,000.00 in funding to purchase items to rehab their city park to include: Electrical updates for lighting, new poles and lighting fixtures, portable football and soccer goals, topsoil for football field, removal of damaged city fencing, removal and replacement of bleacher covers in park and electrical pvc conduit materials.		Sullivan	Ladyman	\$15,000.00
Philadelphia Volunteer Fire Department	Craighead	\$6,332.55	The Philadelphia VFD is requesting \$6,332.55 in funding to purchase SCBA tanks to replace old outdated ones.		Sullivan	Ladyman	\$6,332.55
Tillar Fire Department	Drew	\$15,000.00	The Tillar Fire Department is requesting \$15,000.00 in funding to add an additional bay to their existing fire department to house a new pumper truck.		Gilmore	Beaty, Jr.	\$15,000.00
Holland Volunteer Fire Department	Faulkner	\$15,000.00	The town of Holland is requesting \$15,000.00 in funding to purchase sets of turnout gear to replace their old worn out gear.		Rapert	Meeks	\$15,000.00

Watalula Volunteer Fire Department	Franklin	\$15,000.00	The Watalula VFD is requesting \$15,000.00 in funding to purchase a tanker truck, or to purchase a truck and convert into a tanker truck (depends on availability).	Stubblefield	Berry	\$15,000.00
Western Greene County Fire District	Greene	\$15,000.00	Western Greene County FPD is requesting \$15,000.00 in funding to purchase turnout gear.	Johnson	Cavanaugh	\$15,000.00
Town Of Sulphur Rock Independence		\$3,238.00	The Town of Sulphur Rock is requesting \$3,238.00 in funding to purchase two new soccer goals for the city park.	Sturch	Smith	\$3,238.00
Pineville Fire Department	Izard	\$14,861.00	The Pineville Fire Department is requesting \$14,861.00 in funding to purchase and install two exhaust fans in the Pineville substation to help keep the building and equipment cool. They will also be purchasing installation and new radios.	Sturch	Gray	\$14,861.00
Town Of Lynn	Lawrence	\$5,292.10	The town of Lynn is requesting \$5,292.10 in funding to construct a pavilion in the city park with handicap exits. They are also requesting to install two small pedestrian bridges.	Johnson	Cavanaugh	\$5,292.10
Oakland Promise Land Community	Marion	\$14,707.70	The community of Oakland Promise Land is requesting \$14,707.70 in funding to construct a painted concrete multi-function surface area for the community center.	Flippo	Fortner	\$14,707.70
City Of Leachville	Mississippi	\$14,325.00	The city of Leachville is requesting \$14,325.00 in funding to purchase new storm sirens.	Wallace	Rye	\$14,325.00
City Of Jasper	Newton	\$15,000.00	The city of Jasper is requesting \$15,000.00 in funding to purchase sound equipment for their city park stage.	Davis	Slape	\$15,000.00
City of Marshall	Searcy	\$15,000.00	The city of Marshall is requesting \$15,000.00 in funding to purchase a pickup truck to be used by the city for storm debris pickup and city maintenance.	Irvin	Slape	\$0.00
Highland Fire Department	Sharp	\$12,175.00	The Highland Fire Department is requesting \$12,175.00 in funding to purchase new digital radios for their fire trucks and corresponding hand held radios for their fire fighters.	Sturch	Davis	\$12,175.00
Town Of Colt	St. Francis	\$15,000.00	The city of Colt is requesting \$15,000.00 in funding to renovate and update playground equipment in the city park.	Caldwell	Hollowell	\$15,000.00

City Of Clinton	Van Buren	\$15,000.00	The City of Clinton is requesting \$15,000.00 in funding to rehab their softball fields and add new nets and fencing.		Johnson	Miller	\$15,000.00
City Of Bald Knob	White	\$13,343.50	The city of Bald Knob is requesting \$13,343.50 in funding to make improvements to the senior center which also functions as a community center.	Yes	Caldwell	Wooten	\$13,343.50
Pangburn Volunteer Fire Department	White	\$9,000.00	The Pangburn Fire Department is requesting \$9,000.00 in funding to purchase new radios for the Fire Department.		Irvin	Cooper	\$9,000.00
Ola Fire Department	Yell	\$15,000.00	The Ola Fire Department is requesting \$15,000.00 in funding to purchase new sets of turnout gear.		Stubblefield	Bentley	\$15,000.00

Total Requeste \$307,586.60

Total Recommended \$277,586.60