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DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY
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DIVISION OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

Funding Opportunity Title: Arkansas Public Safety Communications Grant Program (APSCG)

Objective: The Arkansas Division of Emergency Management and the Arkansas Wireless Information Network (AWIN) are making funds available to establish the Arkansas Public Safety Communications Grant Program (APSCG). The APSCG program is established to provide funding to public safety agencies in the State of Arkansas for the purpose of improving the agencies communications.

Source of Funds: Act 1049 of 2019 provides annual funding from the Public Safety Trust Fund for operations and maintenance of the AWIN system. Through careful planning and management ADEM has set aside a portion of the 2022 funds that may be distributed as grants to public safety agencies in the state of Arkansas.

Priorities: Based on the Statewide Communications Interoperability Planning (SCIP) effort and the AWIN Strategic plan the following priorities have been identified:

- Replacement of existing FDMA radios that are in operation on the AWIN system
- Adding new radios to the AWIN system
- Installation of additional channels on the AWIN system to provide additional capacity
- Implementation of additional AWIN sites to address areas of poor coverage

Available Funding for 2023-2024: $3,000,000

Required Match: 75% State Funds/25% agency funds. Match must be cash. In-kind matches are not allowed.

Maximum State Award: $400,000 (per agency)

Project Selection: Project will be scored and ranked based on information contained in the application. Details of the ranking process will be included in the APSCG Program Guidelines.

Applications will be available beginning – November 28, 2022

Application Webinar – November 30, 2022

Projected Application Period: December 01, 2022 – February 15, 2023

Projected Award Notification: February 28, 2023

Project Performance Period: March 01, 2023 – December 31, 2024

To request an application package email awin.applications@adem.arkansas.gov.