

LRB – FISCAL REVIEW SECTION ANALYSIS

**DECEMBER 4, 2003 AGENDA
PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE**

**ITEM 6, FILE 031123
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File No. 031123 is a resolution relating to the Milwaukee Fire Department's application for a grant from the Wisconsin Homeland Security Grant Program Part II for Regional Emergency Response Teams.

Background

1. The Milwaukee Fire Department provides citizens and visitors of the City first responder fire fighting and emergency medical services (EMS) and special rescue services to the while promoting public safety.
2. The United States Office of Justice provides financial assistance for first responders through federal grants. The Milwaukee County Emergency Management coordinates and distributes federal and state first responder grants, including the Wisconsin Homeland Security Response Equipment Grants.
3. The Milwaukee Fire Department Heavy Urban Rescue Team (HURT) has received \$80,626 total in prior awards, including: \$47,991 in FY2002, \$32,635 in FY2003 (Part I)

Discussion

1. The Wisconsin Homeland Security Grant Program Part II operates from the award date until April 30, 2004.
2. The Fire Department wishes to apply to the Wisconsin Homeland Security Grant Program Part II for a grant up to \$500,000. The objective enhance mobilization by decentralizing rescue assets. The grant will be used to extend heavy rescue response capabilities through the following purchases:
 - Personal Protective Equipment, \$5,200
 - CBRNE Search Rescue Equipment, \$44,699 and
 - CBRNE Incident Response Vehicles, \$450,000
3. The acronym CBRNE stands for Chemical, Biological, Radiological, Nuclear, or Explosive.
4. According to the grant application, no training costs are associated with the project.

Fiscal Impact

This resolution authorizes the MFD to apply, accept and expend up to \$500,000 in grants from the FY2003 Wisconsin Homeland Security Grant Program, Part II.

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