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Washington State Department of Natural Resources

Upcoming Wildfire-Related Grant Opportunities

➤ Volunteer Fire Assistance Funding:

Funding for purchases of PPE and general equipment for fire districts that: Respond to wildland fires on private, state or federal lands. Serve communities with a population of 10,000 or fewer residents. Serve a community of more than 10,000 residents AND a service area that includes a rural community of fewer than 10,000 residents (VFA funding is only available for the rural area).

Phase 1 Grants (Opens March 1, 2023)

- Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) and other fire equipment can be acquired annually through DNR fire cache, (\$6,000 maximum request, 50/50 match required).
- See the “Phase 1 Grant Information” link below for eligibility and other information <https://www.dnr.wa.gov/FireDistrictAssistance>

Phase 2 Grants (Open Now, deadline 1/31/2023)

The 2023 Phase 2 grant cycle included revisions to this grant, with the incorporation of State funding provided through House Bill 1168. A restructured project ratio of 90% funding award and 10% total project cost match requirement allowed application for several project types, including fire equipment, communications, training, prevention and more. Additionally, this incorporated State funding allowed for the grant request maximum to be raised from \$12,000 to \$18,000. See the 2022 Phase 2 Grant Requirements for eligibility and other information about how this grant is administered. (In 2022, 55 grants were awarded).

- [Phase 2 Grant Requirements](#)
- [Phase 2 Application](#)
- [Phase 2 Reimbursement](#)

See Next Page for an Additional DNR Grant Opportunity

➤ **House Bill 1168 Grants (Open Now, deadline 1/31/2023)**

The objective of the 1168 Grant Programs is to improve the capacity, capability, and safety of rural and volunteer fire service entities that protect rural communities and play a substantial cooperative role in the suppression of wildland fires.

The 1168 Grant Programs offer two funding opportunities to all Washington State fire service entities that meet the eligibility requirements.

[1168 Grant Programs Guidelines and Requirements](#)

- [Operations Grant Application](#) - DNR is planning to award 10 grants statewide.
- [Personal Protective Equipment Grant Application](#) - DNR is planning to award 10 grants statewide.
 - *Fire service partners in need of large PPE purchases are targeted due to certain circumstances as described in the scoring prioritization. For PPE purchases valuing \$6,000 or less, please consider the VFA Phase 1 purchase opportunity through DNR Fire Cache, opening March 1, 2022.

For further information on these grant programs, visit DNR's grant website:

<https://www.dnr.wa.gov/FireDistrictAssistance>

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