# 2021 VOLUNTEER RESCUE/ EMS FUND

REPORT FOR THE N.C. GENERAL ASSEMBLY



MIKE CAUSEY, INSURANCE COMMISSIONER & STATE FIRE MARSHAL



### MIKE CAUSEY INSURANCE COMMISSIONER

December 15, 2021

Dear Member of the General Assembly,

Pursuant to General Statutes 58-87-5, the following report, regarding the Volunteer Rescue/EMS Fund, administered by the NC Department of Insurance, is provided for your review.

The General Assembly has my gratitude for its continued commitment to supporting the volunteer fire and rescue/EMS departments throughout our state. The equipment and capital improvements purchased through this program are vital to enabling fire and rescue/EMS departments to protect their communities and better equip these departments to respond quickly and effectively when the need arises.

I thank you for allowing the Office of State Fire Marshal (OSFM) to administer such a vital and important program.

With kindest regards,

Mike Causey

Insurance Commissioner

State Fire Marshal

#### **VOLUNTEER RESCUE/EMS FUND**

Under N.C.G.S. 58-87-5, this funding opportunity was created through the Department of Insurance to provide Rescue/EMS grants to volunteer rescue units, rescue/EMS units, EMS units that are volunteer fire departments that are part of a county's EMS system plan, and EMS units providing rescue and rescue and emergency medical services to purchase equipment and make capital improvements. The State Treasurer shall invest the Fund's assets according to law, and the earnings shall remain in the fund. On December 15, or on the first business day following December 15, if December 15 falls on a weekend or a holiday, of each year, the Department of Insurance shall make grants to eligible departments subject to all the following limitations:

- 1. A grant to an applicant who is required to match the grant with non-State funds may not exceed twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000), and a grant to an applicant who is not required to match the grant with non-State funds may not exceed three thousand dollars (\$3,000).
- 2. An applicant whose liquid assets, when combined with the liquid assets of any corporate affiliate or subsidiary of the applicant, are more than one thousand dollars (\$1,000) shall match the grant on a dollar-for-dollar basis with non-State funds.
- 3. The grant may be used only for equipment purchases or capital expenditures.
- 4. An applicant may receive no more than one grant per fiscal year.
- 5. The grant may be used only for purposes related to services that the department is authorized to provide.

A Rescue/EMS department is eligible for a grant through this fund if:

- 1. It consists entirely of volunteer members, with the exception that the department may have paid members to fill the equivalent of 10 full-time paid positions.
- 2. It has been recognized by the Department of Insurance as a rescue department, a rescue/EMS unit, or an EMS unit.
- 3. The Rescue/EMS department must meet the eligibility criteria of the NC Association of Rescue & EMS (NCAREMS) and/or NC Office of Emergency Medical Services (NC OEMS).
- 4. County recognizes Rescue/EMS department as providing rescue or rescue/EMS or EMS.
- 5. Rescue/EMS department must be certified by the Office of Emergency Medical Services to request ALS equipment.

The major emphasis of this program is Rescue/EMS safety. Rescue/EMS safety equipment receives the highest priority. Requests for vehicles and capital expenditures are also considered. Each application is reviewed and scored using a non-subjective point system. The point system is based on each aspect of an application's per capita income, number and age of vehicles (only if requesting a vehicle), whether the department is all volunteer or paid personnel, financial status and the type of equipment requested.

Every eligible rescue/EMS unit in North Carolina was notified on the online application and a detailed letter of instruction was emailed on August 1, 2021. Online applications were accepted through October 1, 2021.

There were 175 applications received for evaluation, of these 117 Rescue/EMS departments received matching funds through the Volunteer Rescue/EMS Fund. There were 51 applications withdrawn, disqualified, or incomplete.

• Requested Monies: \$2,121,092.79 (Approved and Non-Approved Applications)

Available Monies \$1,651,103.00Approved Monies \$1,651,103.00

Attached to this report you will find a list of approved departments by county, along with the amounts they were awarded.

All Rescue/EMS departments submitting a Volunteer Rescue/EMS Department Fund applications were notified by email of their approved or non-approved status on December 15, 2021.

Approved Rescue/EMS departments are presently purchasing and receiving their approved equipment. Upon delivery of their equipment, they will upload their documentation (invoices and proof of payments) for reimbursement. The deadline for submitting this information to the Department of Insurance is April 30, 2022.

The checks are delivered by mail or electronic transfer funds will be deposited to each approved Rescue/EMS department once all grant requirements are met. The equipment purchased through this grant must remain in the possession of the department for a minimum of five years and is subject to inspection or audit by our inspections staff.

#### VOLUNTEER RESCUE/EMS FUND | 2021 GRANT YEAR

GRANTS AWARDED		\$1,651,103
Fund Balance at Beginning of Grant Cycle	11/1/2020	\$1,638,758
Cash Receipts through Grant Cycle	11/1/2020 - 10/31/2021	\$1,555,611
Cash Disbursements through Grant Cycle	11/1/2020 - 10/31/2021	\$1,543,266
Fund Balance at the End of Grant Cycle	10/31/2021	\$1,651,103

For the Volunteer Rescue/EMS Fund, N.C.G.S. 58-87-5 requires grants to be awarded on December 15. As a result, the grant cycle is usually from November 1 through October 31 for each year. In 2020, November 1 was used as the start of the grant cycle, making the grant year 11/1/2020 to 10/31/2021. In 2020, November 1 again was used as the start of the grant cycle for the 2020 Grant Year, but the grant cycle will end on October 31 to return to the usual grant cycle.

N.C.G.S 58-87-5 requires this report to be filed with the legislatures within 60 days of awarding the grants which is before the grant cycle for the awards has ended. Because of this we think it is appropriate to report the beginning fund balance, cash receipts, cash disbursements and ending fund balance for the previous grant cycle (and the ending fund balance would be the beginning balance for the new grant cycle).

## 2021 VOLUNTEER RESCUE/EMS FUND APPROVED APPLICATIONS BY COUNTY

DEPARTMENT	FDID	REQUESTED	APPROVED
Alamance			
Alamance County Rescue Squad	00150	24,516.00	24,516.00
County Totals: 1		24,516.00	24,516.00
Alexander			
Alexander Rescue Squad & E.M.S., Inc.	00250	15,220.00	15,220.00
Stony Point Volunteer Fire Department, Inc.	00204	6,186.48	6,186.48
County Totals: 2		21,406.48	21,406.48
Alleghany		-	
Alleghany County Rescue Squad, Inc.	00350	23,442.50	23,442.50
County Totals: 1		23,442.50	23,442.50
Anson			
Burnsville Fire and Rescue Ambulance Service, Inc.	00402	2,520.00	2,520.00
Lilesville Fire Department	00404	23,460.50	21,521.15
County Totals: 2		25,980.50	24,041.15
Ashe			
Ashe County Rescue Squad, Inc.	00550	25,000.00	25,000.00
Warrensville Volunteer Fire and Rescue Department, Inc.	00504	1,788.00	1,788.00
Lansing Volunteer Fire & Rescue, Inc.	00503	8,290.50	8,290.50
New River Volunteer Fire and Rescue Department, Inc.	00510	12,085.77	12,085.77
County Totals: 4		47,164.27	47,164.27
Avery			
Linville-Central Rescue Squad, Inc.	00651	14,875.00	14,875.00
Linville Volunteer Fire Department, Inc.	00606	9,045.00	9,045.00
County Totals: 2		23,920.00	23,920.00
Beaufort			
Bunyan Volunteer Fire Department, Inc.	00713	25,000.00	25,000.00
Pinetown Rescue Squad & Emergency Medical Services	00755	16,187.50	16,187.50
County Totals: 2		41,187.50	41,187.50
Bladen			
White Lake/Bladen County Water Rescue	00955	10,500.00	10,500.00
County Totals: 1		10,500.00	10,500.00
Burke			
Brendletown Fire Protection and Rescue Association, Inc.	01275	25,000.00	25,000.00
George Hildebran Fire and Rescue Department Inc.	01273	2,055.01	2,055.01
County Totals: 2		27,055.01	27,055.01

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Cabarrus			
North East Cabarrus Volunteer Fire Department & Community Center, Inc.	01313	19,210.40	19,210.40
County Totals: 1		19,210.40	19,210.40
Caldwell			
Yadkin Valley Volunteer Fire-Rescue Department, Inc.	01413	11,255.00	11,255.00
King's Creek Volunteer Fire Department, Inc.	01406	23,141.16	23,141.16
Valmead Volunteer Fire-Rescue Department, Inc.	01412	16,091.54	16,091.54
Patterson Fire-Rescue Department Inc.	01410	4,470.00	4,470.00
County Totals: 4		54,957.70	54,957.70
Catawba			
Maiden Rescue Squad, Inc.	01854	24,068.13	24,068.13
Catawba Rescue Squad, Inc.	01850	25,000.00	25,000.00
County Totals: 2		49,068.13	49,068.13
Cherokee			
Hiwassee Dam Volunteer Fire Department, Inc.	02006	24,981.50	24,981.50
County Totals: 1		24,981.50	24,981.50
Cleveland			
Waco Community Volunteer Fire Department, Inc.	02316	2,482.00	2,482.00
County Totals: 1		2,482.00	2,482.00
Columbus			
Evergreen Volunteer Fire Dept.	02407	5,693.00	5,693.00
County Totals: 1		5,693.00	5,693.00
Craven			
No. 9 Township Fire & Rescue	02509	10,000.00	10,000.00
County Totals: 1		10,000.00	10,000.00
Currituck			,
Corolla Fire Rescue	02704	25,000.00	25,000.00
County Totals: 1		25,000.00	25,000.00
Dare			
Hatteras Island Rescue Squad, Inc.	02851	22,479.00	22,479.00
County Totals: 1	02001	22,479.00	22,479.00
Davie			, 5.55
The Farmington Volunteer Fire Department, Inc.	03023	8,750.00	8,750.00
William R. Davie Volunteer Fire Department, Inc.	03017	15,100.00	15,100.00
County Line Volunteer Fire Department, Inc.	03018	20,460.00	20,460.00
The Davie Rescue Squad, Inc.	03050	25,000.00	25,000.00
County Totals: 4		69,310.00	69,310.00
Duplin		,3	,-
Oak Wolfe Fire Department	03110	2,900.00	2,900.00
Chinquapin Volunteer Fire and Rescue Squad, Inc.	03104	8,449.37	8,449.37
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Greene			
Shine Rural Volunteer Fire and EMS Association, Inc.	04009	750.00	750.00
Maury Volunteer Fire and Rescue Association, Inc.	04007	20,217.00	20,217.00
County Totals: 2		20,967.00	20,967.00
Henderson			
Gerton Volunteer Fire Department and Rescue, Inc.	04511	10,775.00	10,775.00
County Totals: 1		10,775.00	10,775.00
Hoke			
Hoke County Rescue Squad, Incorporated	04750	23,764.50	23,764.50
County Totals: 1		23,764.50	23,764.50
Iredell			
North Iredell Rescue Squad, Inc.	04955	17,292.50	17,292.50
County Totals: 1		17,292.50	17,292.50
Jackson			
Qualla Volunteer Fire & Rescue Department, Incorporated	05007	5,090.68	5,090.68
County Totals: 1		5,090.68	5,090.68
Johnston			
Princeton Volunteer Fire Department, Incorporated	05118	13,684.50	13,684.50
County Totals: 1		13,684.50	13,684.50
Jones			
Trenton Emergency Medical Services, Inc.	05254	5,713.00	5,713.00
Maysville Fire and EMS, INC.	05203	25,000.00	25,000.00
County Totals: 2		30,713.00	30,713.00
Lenoir			
Pink Hill Fire Department	05421	9,225.00	9,225.00
Hugo Volunteer Fire Department and Rescue, Inc.	05432	25,000.00	25,000.00
County Totals: 2		34,225.00	34,225.00
Macon			
Sky Valley - Scaly Mountain Volunteer Fire and Rescue Department Incorporated	05709	1,032.50	1,032.50
County Totals: 1		1,032.50	1,032.50
Martin			
Oak City Rescue Squad, Inc.	05953	2,300.00	2,300.00
Jamesville Community EMS & Rescue	05951	6,875.62	6,875.62
Robersonville Rescue Squad & Emergency Medical Ser	05954	5,625.00	5,625.00
County Totals: 3		14,800.62	14,800.62
McDowell			
Sugar Hill-Montford Cove Volunteer Fire Department, Inc.	05609	15,537.50	15,537.50
County Totals: 1		15,537.50	15,537.50
Mitchell			
Fork Mountain Volunteer Fire and Rescue, Inc.	06109	7,474.45	7,474.45
County Totals: 1		7,474.45	7,474.45

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Montgomery			
Montgomery Co. Rescue Squad, Inc.	06250	24,862.42	24,862.42
County Totals: 1		24,862.42	24,862.42
Nash			
Bailey Fire Department, Green Hornet Fire District, Inc.	06401	15,497.50	15,497.50
Momeyer Volunteer Fire-Rescue, Inc.	06417	5,092.50	5,092.50
County Totals: 2		20,590.00	20,590.00
Northampton			
Gaston Volunteer Fire Department, Inc.	06602	25,000.00	25,000.00
Gaston Vol. Rescue Squad, Inc.	06650	25,000.00	25,000.00
County Totals: 2		50,000.00	50,000.00
Onslow			
Pumpkin Center Volunteer Fire Department, Inc.	06712	25,000.00	25,000.00
Holly Ridge Volunteer Fire & Rescue Department, Inc.	06707	16,450.00	16,450.00
County Totals: 2		41,450.00	41,450.00
Orange			
South Orange Rescue Squad, Inc.	06857	24,618.80	24,618.80
County Totals: 1		24,618.80	24,618.80
Pender			
Union Rescue Squad, Inc.	07155	14,165.00	14,165.00
County Totals: 1		14,165.00	14,165.00
Person			
Roxboro-Person County Rescue Squad, Inc.	07350	14,182.85	14,182.85
County Totals: 1		14,182.85	14,182.85
Randolph			
Farmer Volunteer Fire Department, Inc.	07604	24,975.00	24,975.00
County Totals: 1		24,975.00	24,975.00
Richmond			
Hoffman Fire Department and Rescue Squad, Inc.	07705	10,062.50	10,062.50
Richmond County Rescue Squad	07750	1,490.00	1,490.00
County Totals: 2		11,552.50	11,552.50
Robeson			
Rowland Rescue Squad, Inc.	07858	25,000.00	25,000.00
Deep Branch Fire/Rescue Inc.	07804	25,000.00	25,000.00
County Totals: 2		50,000.00	50,000.00
Rockingham	<u> </u>		
Reidsville Rescue Squad, Inc.	07953	12,262.50	12,262.50
Eden Rescue Squad, Inc.	07951	25,000.00	25,000.00
County Totals: 2		37,262.50	37,262.50

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Rowan			
Scotch-Irish Fire Department, Incorporated	08073	5,660.00	5,660.00
County Totals: 1		5,660.00	5,660.00
Sampson			
Newton Grove Fire & Rescue	08207	8,892.50	8,892.50
Taylors Bridge Fire Department	08216	11,749.00	11,749.00
Clement Volunteer Fire Department, Inc.	08202	9,408.50	9,408.50
Harrells Volunteer Fire Department, Inc.	08206	17,404.12	17,404.12
Herring Volunteer Fire & Rescue, Inc.	08215	9,540.00	9,540.00
Salemburg Volunteer Fire Dept., Inc.	08210	8,315.70	8,315.70
Spivey's Corner Volunteer Fire Department, Inc.	08211	7,543.10	7,543.10
Vann Crossroads Fire Department, Inc.	08213	3,497.50	3,497.50
Garland Volunteer Fire & Rescue Department, Inc.	08204	11,295.00	11,295.00
County Totals: 9		87,645.42	87,645.42
Stanly			
Rescue Unit Of Stanly County, Inc.	08450	19,855.00	19,855.00
Ridgecrest Volunteer Fire Department, Inc.	08415	24,778.00	24,778.00
Millingport Volunteer Fire Department, Inc.	08410	4,078.80	4,078.80
County Totals: 3		48,711.80	48,711.80
Stokes			
Double Creek Volunteer Fire Department, Inc.	08511	2,685.00	2,685.00
Francisco Volunteer Fire Department, Inc.	08502	21,349.65	21,349.65
Stokes-Rockingham Volunteer Fire Department and Rescue Squad, Inc.	08509	9,003.40	9,003.40
Danbury Volunteer Fire Department and Rescue Squad, Inc.	08501	6,374.25	6,374.25
South Stokes Volunteer Fire Department	08508	6,417.96	6,417.96
County Totals: 5		45,830.26	45,830.26
Surry			
Skull Camp Volunteer Fire Department, Incorporated	08672	6,602.00	6,602.00
Mountain Park Rescue Squad, Inc.	08656	4,808.80	4,808.80
C. C. Camp Volunteer Fire Department, Inc.	08665	4,957.50	4,957.50
Four-way Volunteer Fire Department, Inc.	08668	14,450.00	14,450.00
Elkin Emergency Rescue Squad, inc.	08652	21,482.94	21,482.94
Pilot Mountain Rescue And E.M.S., Inc.	08654	4,983.71	4,983.71
Mount Airy Rescue Squad, Inc.	08653	12,498.34	12,498.34
County Totals: 7		69,783.29	69,783.29
Swain			
Swain County Rescue Squad	08750	16,293.63	16,293.63
County Totals: 1		16,293.63	16,293.63
Transylvania			
Cedar Mountain Volunteer Fire Rescue, Inc.	08812	20,448.00	20,448.00
County Totals: 1		20,448.00	20,448.00

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Wake			
Rescue, Extrication & Delivery Specialists, Inc.	09258	22,350.00	22,350.0
County Totals: 1		22,350.00	22,350.0
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Warrenton Rural Voluntary Fire Association, Inc.	09311	14,492.00	14,492.0
County Totals: 1		14,492.00	14,492.0
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Cove Creek Volunteer Fire Department, Inc.	09504	9,513.78	9,513.7
Watauga County Emergency & Rescue Squad, Inc.	09550	19,374.95	19,374.9
County Totals: 2		28,888.73	28,888.7
Wilkes			
Wilkes Rescue Squad, Inc.	09750	24,816.43	24,816.4
Ronda Community Volunteer Fire Department, Inc.	09715	20,599.50	20,599.5
Broadway Fire Department, Inc.	09703	16,901.91	16,901.9
Pleasant Hill Volunteer Fire Department, Inc.	09713	7,000.00	7,000.0
Traphill Volunteer Fire Department, Inc.	09717	7,552.50	7,552.
Austin Volunteer Fire Department, Inc.	09701	12,500.65	12,500.6
County Totals: 6		89,370.99	89,370.9
Wilson			
Rock Ridge Fire Department, Inc.	09809	14,825.50	14,825.5
County Totals: 1		14,825.50	14,825.5
/adkin			
Buck Shoals Volunteer Fire Department, Inc.	09921	5,475.00	5,475.0
Yadkin County Rescue Squad & E.M.S., Inc.	09950	24,907.50	24,907.5
East Bend Volunteer Fire Department, Inc.	09914	723.18	723.1
The Boonville Community Volunteer Fire Department, Inc.	09913	7,694.55	7,694.5
Forbush Volunteer Fire Department, Inc.	09911	9,825.00	9,825.0
West Yadkin Volunteer Fire Dept., Inc.	09918	25,000.00	25,000.0
County Totals: 6		73,625.23	73,625.2
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South Toe Volunteer Fire and Rescue, Incorporated	10013	25,000.00	25,000.0
Yancey County Rescue Squad	10050	25,000.00	25,000.0
Newdale Volunteer Fire Department, Inc.	10012	16,397.82	16,397.8
County Totals: 3		66,397.82	66,397.8

<b>Grand Totals</b>		
	Total # Approved: 117	
	Final Totals:	\$1,653,042.35 \$1,651,103.00