

**Columbus Consolidated Government Council Meeting
Agenda Item**

TO:	Mayor and Councilors
AGENDA SUBJECT:	Firehouse Subs Grant
AGENDA SUMMARY:	Approval is requested to apply for and accept, if awarded, a grant in the amount of \$10,014.00, or as otherwise awarded, from the Fire House Subs Public Safety Foundation to fund the purchase of smoke detectors, carbon monoxide alarms, and fire safety educational materials. There are no matching funds required.
INITIATED BY:	Fire/EMS

Recommendation: Approval is requested to apply for and accept, if awarded, a grant in the amount of \$10,014.00, or as otherwise awarded, from the Fire House Subs Public Safety Foundation to fund the purchase of smoke detectors, carbon monoxide alarms, and fire safety educational materials. There are no matching funds required.

Background: Columbus Fire and Emergency Medical Services (CFEMS) is requesting funds from the Fire House Subs Public Safety Foundation to fund the purchase of smoke detectors, carbon monoxide alarms, and fire safety educational materials. The Firehouse Subs Public Safety Foundation grant will enable our department to implement a targeted, data-driven Community Risk Reduction (CRR) initiative focused on reducing preventable fire and carbon monoxide (CO) fatalities in Muscogee County. This project will deploy a focused, high-impact prevention program combining equipment installation and direct public education.

Analysis: Local incident data clearly identifies a critical life safety gap:

- Since July 2025, our department has responded to 149 residential structure fires
- Only ~50% of those residences had smoke detectors present at the time of the incident

Financial Considerations: The total amount requested is \$10,014.00, with no matching funds required. The funds will be used for the acquisition of smoke detectors, carbon monoxide detectors, and educational materials.

Legal Considerations: The Consolidated Government of Columbus is eligible to receive these funds.

Recommendation/Action: Approval is requested to apply for and accept, if awarded, a grant in the amount of \$10,014.00, or as otherwise awarded, from the Fire House Subs Public Safety Foundation to fund the purchase of smoke detectors, carbon monoxide alarms, and fire safety educational materials. There are no matching funds required.

The Multi-Governmental Fund will be amended by the amount of the award.

**A RESOLUTION
NO. _____**

A RESOLUTION TO APPLY FOR AND ACCEPT, IF AWARDED, A GRANT FROM THE FIREHOUSE SUBS PUBLIC SAFETY FOUNDATION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$10,014.00, OR AS OTHERWISE AWARDED, TO SUPPORT THE ACQUISITION OF SMOKE DETECTORS, CARBON MONOXIDE DETECTORS AND EDUCATIONAL MATERIALS, WITH NO MATCHING FUNDS REQUIRED. THE MULTI-GOVERNMENTAL FUND WILL BE AMENDED BY THE AMOUNT OF THE AWARD.

WHEREAS, the Columbus Fire and Emergency Medical Services Department (CFEMS) seeks to deploy a focused, high-impact prevention program combining equipment installation and direct public education; and,

WHEREAS, the project will focus on smoke detectors and carbon monoxide detectors acquisition and installation in Muscogee County homes; and,

WHEREAS, the grant funds will also support the acquisition and distribution of public education materials; and,

WHEREAS, this grant requires no matching funds.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE COUNCIL OF COLUMBUS, GEORGIA, HEREBY RESOLVES:

- 1) That the City Manager or his designee is hereby authorized to approve the grant application with Fire House Subs Public Safety Foundation in the amount of \$10,014.00, or as otherwise awarded, to support the acquisition of smoke detectors, carbon monoxide detectors and educational materials, with no matching funds required.
- 2) That the Multi-Governmental Fund will be amended by the amount of the award.

Introduced at a regular meeting of the Council of Columbus, Georgia, held on the ____ day of _____ 2026 and adopted at said meeting by the affirmative vote of _____ members of said Council.

Councilor Allen voting	_____.
Councilor Barnes voting	_____.
Councilor Chambers voting	_____.
Councilor Cogle voting	_____.
Councilor Cook voting	_____.
Councilor Crabb voting	_____.
Councilor Davis voting	_____.
Councilor Garrett voting	_____.
Councilor Huff voting	_____.
Councilor Tucker voting	_____.