



Deadwood Volunteer Fire Department

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TO: Honorable Mayor and Commissioners

FROM: Deadwood Volunteer Fire Department

Reference: Motorola Radio and Pager Grant

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The Deadwood Fire Department is requesting permission to apply for the following grants:

1. Motorola Solutions Radio and Radio Accessories Grant Assistance Program
2. Motorola Solutions Pager and Paging Network Assistance Program

The grant would provide for the purchase of updated radios and pagers for volunteers. Radio provides real time communication during incidents with dispatch, coordination between fire personnel on scene, and safety issues that can be reported to alert mutual aid departments. Radio systems often continue to operate when cellular networks are overloaded and unavailable. Papers are essential for volunteer departments as they can alter members without having to monitor a radio constantly when an incident occurs. Paging systems often provide strong coverage and long battery life so that volunteers can get the information regarding the incident and respond. Keeping up with the latest technology allows our volunteer better service to the City of Deadwood and its residents. In short, pagers are used to notify firefighters of an incident, while radios are used to manage the response and maintain communication throughout the emergency.

Thank you for your consideration and time.

Respectfully Submitted,

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