

Staff Report

Subject: FY2025 EMS Trauma-Related Equipment Grant Application
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Item Description: Consideration for the Effingham County Board of Commissioners (ECBOC) to approve the application for the FY2025 EMS Trauma Related Equipment Grant provided by the Georgia Trauma Commission.

Summary Recommendation:

Staff requests ECBOC's approval to apply for the FY2025 EMS Trauma Related Equipment Grant to secure funding for trauma-related equipment essential for improving EMS response capabilities.

Executive Summary:

Effingham County's Emergency Medical Services (EMS) department requires up-to-date trauma equipment to effectively respond to emergencies and enhance patient care during critical incidents. The FY2025 EMS Trauma Related Equipment Grant, offered by the Georgia Trauma Commission, provides funds to help local EMS agencies acquire necessary equipment for trauma response. This funding opportunity aligns with Effingham County's commitment to public safety and enhances EMS resources without significantly impacting the county budget. Securing this grant will reduce the need for county-funded purchases of essential trauma-related equipment.

Background:

1. This is a noncompetitive grant for the projected amount of \$8899.92
2. The Trauma Commission provides a list of acceptable equipment that can be purchased.
3. This grant is open to all 911 Licensed Ambulances in the state.
4. Funds will be distributed on a reimbursement basis only.

Alternatives for the Commission to Consider:

1. Approve ECBOC's application for the FY2025 EMS Trauma Related Equipment Grant.
2. Do not approve the application for the EMS Trauma Related Equipment Grant.
3. Provide staff with additional direction.

Recommended Alternative:

Staff recommends Alternative 1—Approve the application for the FY2025 EMS Trauma Related Equipment Grant to support the EMS department's equipment needs.

Attachments: