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## **NOTIFICATION OF GRANT GUIDANCE RELEASE**

**To:** Members of Congress

**From:** Federal Emergency Management Agency

**Subject:** Fiscal Year 2010 Staffing for Adequate Fire and Emergency Response (SAFER) Grant Program

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### **Comments:**

This serves as notification that the U.S. Department of Homeland Security's Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) is releasing grant guidance and application materials under the Fiscal Year (FY) 2010 Staffing for Adequate Fire and Emergency Response Grant Program (SAFER). **The application period for the FY 2010 SAFER Program will open on Tuesday, August 17, 2010 at 8:00 a.m. EDT and will close on Friday, September 17, 2010 at 5:00 p.m. EDT.** The FY 2010 SAFER Guidance and application materials are currently available at [www.firegrantsupport.com](http://www.firegrantsupport.com).

### **Background:**

The purpose of these grants is to assist fire departments with the recruitment and retention of volunteer firefighters who are involved with, or trained in, the operations of firefighting and emergency response. The grants are intended to create a net increase in the number of trained, certified, and competent firefighters capable of safely responding to emergencies likely to occur within the grantee's geographic response area. One hundred percent of the actual salary and benefits for the SAFER-funded firefighters will be fully funded for the two-year period of performance.

### **Funding Information:**

The Department will award approximately \$420 million in SAFER grants.

### **Contact Information:**

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