

Qualla Volunteer Fire Department

PO Box 303

Email

147 Shoal Creek Church Loop

Whittier, NC 28789-0303

quallafirerescue@yahoo.com

Whittier, NC 28789



February 7, 2023

For the 2023 fire grant we will be buying 6 new SCBA through the NCSFA Grant fund. The total for these packs quoted from MES will be \$67,268.76. This grant as you know is a 50/50 matching funds grant up to \$30,000. Which translates to \$30,000 paid by the state and \$30,000 paid by the department. The total for these 6 SCBA exceeds the \$30,000 limit that the state will pay. This leaves an extra \$7,268.76 that the department will have to pay as well. On top of this amount we are looking to purchase 2 more SCBA from our budget for another \$22,422.92. This brings the total expense for Qualla Fire Department to \$59,691.68. If the Commissioners approve to cover the fire departments part of the matching grant that would take the total paid by Qualla to \$29,691.68 that we will still pay for a total of 8 air packs, 6 through the grant and 2 out of the department budget. Buying 8 total SCBA with new masks bottles and 1 spare bottle each will allow us to outfit 2 engines with brand new air packs. Our current SCBA are NFPA 2007 standard with the most recent standards for SCBA are 2018. That puts us at 2 standards behind. We also have approximately 32 air bottles for our SCBA that will be out of DOT service life in 2025. The bottles and spare bottles that come with these new SCBA will replace 16 of those and each new bottle will have a 15 year service life.

Grant amount requested: \$67,268.76

State & County pay out: \$30,000 each

Department Payout for Grant: \$7,268.76

2 Extra SCBA from department budget: \$22,422.92

Qualla total for grant and 2 SCBA: \$29,691.68

Grand total up front from Qualla: \$89,691.68

Captain



Trevor Sutton