

Skagit County EMS
New Initiative Funding Process
2022

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Background and Overview

The new initiative process was developed as part of the six-year EMS levy budget that began in 2019. The EMS Department budgets an annual \$100,000 which is earmarked for EMS new initiatives. This funding is intended to provide an avenue for the EMS Physician Medical Program Director (MPD) to implement new clinical initiatives to improve overall pre-hospital patient care in Skagit County. Some examples of previous new initiatives include: the implementation of the i-Gel® supraglottic airway (to replace the King LT) in 2019 and the vacuum spine board for spinal motion restriction in 2020.

In the event there are no MPD new initiatives in a given budget year, or there is a portion of new initiative funds remaining after the implementation of an MPD new initiative, an application process will be opened to licensed Skagit County EMS agencies

New initiative applications will be accepted for the purpose of improving overall pre-hospital patient care in Skagit County through projects related to: education and training, decreasing patient mortality and morbidity; or improving the effectiveness of existing prehospital activities or services.

Application Timeline

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| December 1, 2021 | EMS Director determines funding availability based on anticipated MPD projects for 2022 |
| January 31, 2022 | Application period opens (or announcement if no funding is available) |
| April 29, 2022 @ 1700 | Applications are due to Skagit County EMS |
| May 18, 2022 | EMS & Trauma Care Council Advisory Board Review |
| June 15, 2022 | Applications Notified |
| December 15, 2022 | Reimbursement invoices due to Skagit County EMS |

Guidelines and Application Instructions

Eligible applicants:

Skagit County licensed aid and ambulance services and EMS Supervisory Organizations (ESSOs)

Deadline:

Your application must be received by the Skagit County EMS Office no later than 1700 on April 29, 2022.

Available Funds:

There may be up to \$100,000.00 available to fund local EMS projects or training depending on any funds required to satisfy MPD implemented new initiatives for a given year.

Review Process:

Each new initiative application will be reviewed by the Skagit County EMS & Trauma Care Council Advisory Board. Applications will be prioritized and awarded or rejected based on comprehensive review of the initiative including budget, impact area, work level, safety/liability risk, resource needs, alignment with strategic plan, and demonstrated need.

Project period:

July 1, 2022 – December 31, 2022

Reimbursement Requirements:

You may submit expenses and equipment purchases consistent with your grant from July 1st, 2022, until December 15th, 2022. Please submit your reimbursement invoice in one package (all at once) to avoid any confusion or missed invoices.

Submission:

Grant applications will be submitted to Administrative Coordinator at Skagit County EMS:

Freya Peebles
Skagit County EMS
2911 East College Way, Ste. C
Mount Vernon, WA 98274
freyaxp@co.skagit.wa.us

New Initiative Funding Grant Request



Company Name: _____

Company Phone: _____

Company Address: _____

Partner Agencies (if any): _____

Initiative Title: _____

Initiative Description: _____

Proposed Start Date: _____ Proposed End Date: _____

_____ One-Time Cost _____ Ongoing Cost If ongoing, for how long? _____

Checklist (Required – Please attach all supporting documents)

1. Description of initiative:

Supporting Documentation Attached _____ N/A_____

2. **Cost break down:** (Attach detailed budget including all costs. If multi-year, demonstrate ongoing funding). Budget Attached _____

3. Explanation of Benefits to entire EMS system:

Supporting Documentation Attached _____ N/A_____

4. Data supporting benefits:

Supporting Documentation Attached ____ N/A ____

5. Determination of milestones:

Supporting Documentation Attached ____ N/A ____

6. Determination of potential roadblocks:

Supporting Documentation Attached ____ N/A ____

7. Determination of successful initiative:

Supporting Documentation Attached ____ N/A____

8. Asset and dissolution plan should initiative not receive continued funding:

Supporting Documentation Attached ____ N/A____

9. Additional information and technical specifications:

Supporting Documentation Attached ____ N/A____

Funding proposals will be evaluated on the following categories:

- Total Budget – is it an affordable project?
- Impact Area – serving the entire County scores higher than serving a single entity
- Work Level – a single entity doing the workload will score higher than multiple entities doing the workload
- Safety/Liability Risk – what is the risk to the community if this project is not implemented? Scores will be higher if there is a demonstrated risk to the community without this project.
- Resource Needs - projects that can access resources needed from their own agency will score higher than those that need resources from multiple resources
- Strategic Plan – define whether this fits into the County Strategic Plan, multiple agency or single agency plan. Scores will be higher for aligning with the County plan.
- Agencies access to resources – If your agency is defined as a wilderness hub or rural with limited access, the score will be higher in this category than an urban agency with immediate access