

Notice of Funding Opportunity

HS ALERT Dive Advanced Instructor Course(s) 2022

**Applications must be submitted through
Egrants on or before May 5, 2023**



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Submit Applications Using Egrants

Applications must be submitted through the Egrants online grants management system. If you have never used Egrants before, you will need to register for access to the system. To register online, go to <https://register.wisconsin.gov/accountmanagement/default.aspx> and complete the 'self registration' process.

Authorization to access Egrants can take several days depending on registration activity. Please note: If you register outside the hours of Monday-Friday 7:30am-4pm, access may not be approved until the next business day. Once your Egrants access has been approved, you may begin your online grant application.

Egrants Help Desk: 608-616-0020 or WEMEgrants@egrants.us

The help desk is staffed on non-holiday weekdays between 7:30AM and 4:00PM.

The Egrants system user guide has step-by-step instructions for accessing and using the Egrants online system. The guide is posted on the grants page of the WEM website: <https://wem.egrants.us/egmis/documents/EgrantsExternalUserGuideUpdated9-9-19-Final.pdf>

Online Help is available throughout the Egrants application process. Once you have started an application, look for the HELP button in the top right corner of the screen. Page-specific instructions can be found there.

WEM Egrants website: <https://wem.egrants.us>

Requirements for Federally Funded Grants

Unique Entity Identifier and System for Award Management (SAM): All applicants for this grant opportunity must be registered in SAM before submitting an application; and continue to maintain an active SAM registration with current information at all times during the period of performance for the grant. WEM's website has a helpful guide for SAM registration. <https://wem.wi.gov/admin-tools/>

WEM cannot award a grant until the applicant has complied with all applicable SAM requirements. Please contact the assigned Program Manager if need assistance.

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Description: WEM will provide grant funds for the Superior Police Department to have a diver attend advanced training to become a master diver and instructor to allow them to instruct ALERT dive courses in the future. WEM will provide funding for Travel to include meals, lodging in Nashville, TN, and fuel for travel days plus the 14-day course. The dive instructor will be responsible for the tuition.

Opportunity Category: Limited Eligibility

Important Dates:

Application Due Date: May 5, 2023

Project Start Date: May 30, 2023

Project End Date: December 31, 2023

Reporting Requirements: If awarded a grant, your agency will be responsible for completing the following reports in order to receive reimbursement.

Program Reports Frequency must be submitted as a quarterly only.

Financial Reports Frequency must be submitted as a final only.

Anticipated Funding Amount: As approved by the Homeland Security Funding Advisory Working Group, the total grant amount of \$3800, and the Superior Police Department will provide the diver for the training.

Match/Cost Sharing Requirement: There is no match, but the agency is responsible for any costs that are not covered for lodging, meals, and travel more than the amount provided.

Eligibility: The only eligible agency is the Superior Police Department on behalf of those agencies participating in the training.

Eligible Expenses: Funding may be used for Consultant/Contractual Expenses, Travel/Training expenses including tuition for the class, lodging for attending the training, fuel costs, supplies, break items and water, and noon meals in the field.

All expenses must be new and cannot replace existing state or local government funding. Substitution of existing funds with federal grants (supplanting) will be the subject of monitoring and audit. Violations may result in a range of penalties, including suspension of current and future funds under this program, suspension or debarment from federal grants, repayment of monies provided under a grant, and civil and/or criminal penalties.

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Application Components

Through Egrants, you will provide WEM with detailed information about your project that will be used to make a funding decision. Questions on what is expected in each section can be directed to the Program Manager listed on page one of this document.

Information provided in this application may be cited in WEM reports or press releases and will likely be used in reports to federal funding agencies or other stakeholders. Plain language that clearly describes the intent of the project is most effective.

1. Main Summary

This page asks for information about your agency and the individuals responsible for the application and grant award. When identifying individuals involved in this grant, you may not list the same person as project director and financial officer. The financial officer is the individual responsible for financial activities in your organization while the project director will be overseeing project operations.

In the Brief Project Description text box, please describe your project. A suggested format is included for your convenience:

“Funds will be used by the (your agency name and others involved in the project) to (describe what funds will be used for and who will be involved). The (what - equipment, training, project, pilot, etc.) will (describe the specific goals you hope to achieve – how will the project or equipment improve safety in Wisconsin?)”

There are many required fields on this page so if you encounter problems, please check online help by clicking the floating HELP button.

2. Performance Measures

Please open this section and change the page status to Complete; then SAVE the page. Performance Measures will be identified and collected during post-award reporting rather than through this funding application process.

3. Budget Detail

Complete a project budget using the following categories. For each category used, enter a justification that describes how the items in that category will be used during the course of the grant period. It is important that you include specific details for each budget line item, including cost calculations.

Travel/Training:

Only actual expenses will be reimbursed. All reimbursements will be at current state rates that are subject to change. Fuel costs are eligible under this grant announcement.

Lodging: The maximum lodging rate for this area is \$150.00 for single-night stays in standard rooms. Need receipt/folio that shows the name of the person(s) occupying that room.

Meals: Out of state meals will be Breakfast \$10.00, Lunch \$15.00, and Dinner \$25.00

FUEL: Up to \$450 for fuel to travel from Superior, WI to Nashville, TN with receipts.

4. Free Style Questionnaire- Core Capabilities

Choose a primary core capability for the project. Select as many secondary core capabilities as applicable for the project.

Application Review and Award Criteria

All applications must be submitted on or before the deadline and will be screened for completeness and compliance with the instructions provided in this announcement. WEM staff will review applications to ensure consistency with statewide strategies and make funding recommendations to the Adjutant General. All final grant award decisions will be made by the Adjutant General.

Post-Award Special Conditions/Reporting Requirements

If you are awarded funds under this announcement, you will be required to provide regular progress reports. The schedule for your reports will be included in your grant award materials.

Please review all of your grant award special conditions and Egrants reporting requirements when you receive the Grant Award documents. Your grant award will be subject to general terms and conditions as well as the following special conditions.

1. Reimbursement for Travel

Reimbursement for Travel and Training expenses must represent actual costs and contingent upon submission of an agenda, sign-in sheet, and actual itemized receipts to support each expense. Hotel receipts/folios must include the name of the person(s) occupying that room. Travel costs are reimbursed as listed in the Notice of Funding Opportunity and within current state rates in the uniform travel guidelines https://dpm.wi.gov/Documents/BCER/Compensation/PocketTravelGuide_2_2022.pdf. The Grants Specialist is available to answer questions before costs are incurred.

2. Grant modification

Grant modification must be approved by Wisconsin Emergency Management (WEM) in order to be considered. The applicant must be current with WEM Fiscal and Program Reports in Egrants for modification to be considered. Grant modifications will not be granted unless applicant provides a compelling reason.

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Request for Reimbursement

Payments will be made on a reimbursement basis only. Requests for reimbursement are made by submitting a Fiscal Report in Egrants. Guidance regarding requirements and process is accessible through the Egrants Job Aid for Fiscal Reports: <https://wem.wi.gov/wpcontent/library/grants/egrants-job-aid-fiscal-report-and-reimbursement-request.pdf>.

In addition to the standard documentation requirements of a signed Reimbursement Request form and itemized invoices/receipts, the specific **additional documentation** required for this specific grant include the following:

- proof of payment

Request for Award Modification

Requests for an award modification may be submitted to WEM for the following circumstances:

1. Change of a signing official, fiscal officer, or project director.
2. Requesting a change in the award amount, returning the award, or moving funds between categories.
3. Requesting an extension of the performance period.
4. Changing the scope of the project including class type, class date, and number of Participants.

Requests for modifications must be submitted via Egrants. The applicant must be current with WEM Fiscal and Program Reports in Egrants as well as provide a compelling justification for the modification to be considered.

All modification requests will be reviewed by Wisconsin Emergency Management (WEM) for approval and final decisions will be made by the WEM Administrator. Modifications are not considered final until WEM provides a signed Grant Adjustment Notification (GAN); **any related expenses incurred prior to receipt of a signed modification approval are not eligible for reimbursement.**