

## VFEAT Questions

1. What address do we submit the application to? [Michelle.price@tn.gov](mailto:Michelle.price@tn.gov)
2. Where do we find the application? A direct link to the application is [VFEAT 2022-2023 - Application.pdf \(tn.gov\)](#)
3. What are the rules for the grant? The rules can be found at [https://www.tn.gov/content/dam/tn/commerce/documents/fire\\_prevention/pdfs/76166 - DGA - VFD.pdf](https://www.tn.gov/content/dam/tn/commerce/documents/fire_prevention/pdfs/76166 - DGA - VFD.pdf)
4. What would you expect an average grant request to be? That is hard to say because we have a much larger pot of money - \$5 million - to award this year.
5. How does the funding on this grant work? Is this a 50/50 grant or is it paid 100% funding? The grant is 100% funding. There are no matching funds required.
6. What do we need to do to apply for the grant? All departments must be registered as an Edison vendor with the State of Tennessee. Complete **all** four pages of the application and email it to [michelle.price@tn.gov](mailto:michelle.price@tn.gov)
7. Are ballistic helmets eligible items? Yes, ballistic helmets are eligible items, but they are not a priority item like the regular fire helmets.
8. My bid is different than the amount listed on the application. Can I use my bid amount? No. Use the amount listed on the application. Last year there was a great variance in the dollar amounts across applications for the same item. The standardized price is to be used. If item bids come in over that amount the quantity can be adjusted accordingly.
9. If I am awarded a VFEAT firefighter grant, is our department still eligible for the VFEAT rescue squad grant? Eligible departments will have to choose one award. Departments are encouraged to apply for both if eligible since neither award is guaranteed.
10. How do we get an Edison number or State Supplier Direct Deposit Authorization? Email [Michelle.price@tn.gov](mailto:Michelle.price@tn.gov) and she will be able to help with that. Please let us know by Nov. 30 if you need help with this process.
11. The space for the Federal Grant match is not fillable. Where do I list it? You can print it off and write that number in or put it in other below and make sure it is labeled. Make sure that the amount is included in the total request.

12. Does the Tn Supplier Direct Deposit Authorization and Form W-9 have to be sent in now or wait until if we get funded? Complete it now and send it in where requested for Edison registration.
  
13. Where can we get the number of Series 100 calls each year? That information can be found in NFIRS or FDTN. If you have any questions, call the SFMO.
  
14. Can we buy used equipment? The purpose of this grant is to ensure firefighter safety. We encourage you to purchase new equipment and require that all equipment purchased by NFPA compliant.