

SLFRF Compliance Report - 134-P&E Report-Q1 2022

Report Period : Annual March 2022

Recipient Profile

Recipient Information

Recipient UEI	VEL4BRFR4L93
Recipient TIN	066002097
Recipient Legal Entity Name	Stafford
Recipient Type	Metro City or County
FAIN	
CFDA No./Assistance Listing	
Recipient Address	1 MAIN STREET
Recipient Address 2	
Recipient Address 3	
Recipient City	Stafford
Recipient State/Territory	CT
Recipient Zip5	06076
Recipient Zip+4	1412
Recipient Reporting Tier	Tier 5. Metropolitan cities and counties with a population below 250,000 residents which received less than \$10 million in SLFRF funding
Discrepancies Explanation	
Is the Recipient Registered in SAM.Gov?	Yes

Project Overview

Does your jurisdiction have projects to report as of this reporting period?	My jurisdiction has projects to report
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Project Name: Website Redevelopment and Modernization of staffordct.org & staffordlibrary.org

Project Identification Number	RR-01
Project Expenditure Category	6-Revenue Replacement
Project Expenditure Subcategory	6.1-Provision of Government Services
Status To Completion	
Total Cumulative Obligations	\$30,000.00
Total Cumulative Expenditures	\$11,400.00
Current Period Obligations	\$30,000.00
Current Period Expenditures	\$11,400.00
Project Description	<p>The pandemic has exposed the critical need for investments and improvements in our Town's archaic websites and digital communications. An upgraded web platform tailored to community needs has been a long-standing priority for both public-facing websites (staffordct.org and staffordlibrary.org) and will transform everyday operations, increase transparency, keep residents and employees safe and informed, and continue to provide critical services when the community needs them most. The project merges currently separate websites under one centralized digital hub and includes a complete redesign of the user interface, upgrade to town-wide communication systems, and will allow for internal efficiencies by use of a CMS-system designed specifically for government efficiencies. The fully responsive theme will completely revamp the user experience, making the website more inclusive and easier to use with concessions toward ADA/508 guidelines. The project improves public access and the delivery of government information, programs, and services. With the increased availability of online services, the project also supports social distancing measures – if needed – a valuable benefit that last beyond the post-pandemic phase.</p>

Project Name: Life Saving Equipment for Stafford Ambulance Association

Project Identification Number	RR-02
Project Expenditure Category	6-Revenue Replacement
Project Expenditure Subcategory	6.1-Provision of Government Services
Status To Completion	
Total Cumulative Obligations	\$147,405.94
Total Cumulative Expenditures	\$147,405.94
Current Period Obligations	\$147,405.94
Current Period Expenditures	\$147,405.94

Project Description	<p>Project funds provided the Town’s emergency services – Stafford Ambulance Association – with three Cpr mechanical assist devices, or LUCAS devices. The automated life-saving equipment serves a public health outcome by providing improved and consistent cardiac compressions while relieving first responders from having to provide prolonged CPR. In departments like Stafford’s, there are often only two or three EMT providers during an emergency call. If a patient requires CPR, providers are more at risk of fatigue. The LUCAS devices also enhance responder safety by reducing physical contact and potential risk of exposure. Each machine costs approximately \$15,000 with a total cost of \$44,903.82.</p> <p>The Stafford Ambulance Association needed to replace three cardiac monitors/electrocardiogram (ECG) that were over 20 years old, no longer under warranty, and could not be repaired if needed. The life-saving equipment purchase was essential to operations, public health, and significantly improves onboard medical response. The purchase also better positions the Town in the future with regards to capital replacement costs. Each machine costs approximately \$34,000 with a total cost of \$102,502.12.</p> <p>These equipment purchases were imperative to inspection requirements of Stafford’s three (3) ambulances, improves pre-hospital care, and increases compatibility with mutual-aid partners.</p>
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Project Name: Management of Aquatic Invasive Species in Town Waterbodies

Project Identification Number	RR-03
Project Expenditure Category	6-Revenue Replacement
Project Expenditure Subcategory	6.1-Provision of Government Services
Status To Completion	
Total Cumulative Obligations	\$46,000.00
Total Cumulative Expenditures	\$0.00
Current Period Obligations	\$46,000.00
Current Period Expenditures	\$0.00
	<p>The project seeks herbicide treatment to restore an inland water body of the state through the control and management of a population of non-native aquatic invasive species present in Staffordville Reservoir (a 149-acre lake), New City Pond Reservoir (a 32-acre pond), and Stateline Pond (an approximate 75-acre pond). Each waterbody offers varying degrees of public access points, are interconnected waterways, and important four-season ecological and recreational resources in the Town of Stafford. If left unchecked, invasive watermilfoil will spread and threaten waterbodies, and even spread to other lakes by transmission.</p> <p>The invasive spread of milfoil has produced dense mats of vegetation, which inhibit more desirable native aquatic plant species, degrade the quality of the lake ecosystem, and impairs recreational use of the waterbody. In late May 2022, a pre-management inspection will be conducted in each</p>

Project Description

waterbody, and in June 2022 (pending permit approval), a USEPA and CTDEEP registered aquatic herbicide treatment will be conducted on approximately 20.2-acres of Staffordville Lake, 10-acres of New City Pond, and 40-acres of Stateline Pond. In late August/September 2022, a post-treatment inspection will be completed to determine the effectiveness of the treatment and impacts to both native and non-native species. The Town of Stafford and Staffordville Lake Association will work in tandem with a professional/licensed aquatic weed control specialist and CTDEEP to complete the project.

Staffordville Town Beach is located on the south end of the Staffordville Reservoir and where the largest infestation of milfoil is present. Heavily used, this public parcel is utilized for the Town’s summer recreation youth program, operating for six weeks July through August. Beyond the designated programmatic schedule, the beach area and shoreline are open to the public from dusk to dawn for swimming, fishing, and other forms of water recreation. Similarly, New City Pond and Stateline Pond offer public launches for non-motorized watercrafts and are popular recreation destinations.

All waterbodies experienced exponential growth in visitation over the last two years. The Covid-19 pandemic has significantly elevated the importance of public open space during health emergencies. These amenities provide socially distanced spaces for recreation at a time when other facilities, such as gyms were closed or had limited capacity. They also provide essential benefits to mental health, which is specifically identified in the Rescue Act guidelines. Funds will be used to subsidize the matching funds portion of a state grant for aquatic invasive species control or to underwrite the entire project, should those proposals go unfunded. The task is also a category of projects eligible through the Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF) under Surface Water Protection and Restoration.

Project Name: Purchase of Police Vehicles, Accessories & Equipment

Project Identification Number	RR-04
Project Expenditure Category	6-Revenue Replacement
Project Expenditure Subcategory	6.1-Provision of Government Services
Status To Completion	
Total Cumulative Obligations	\$132,000.00
Total Cumulative Expenditures	\$6,365.25
Current Period Obligations	\$132,000.00
Current Period Expenditures	\$6,365.25
	Project funds provide the Town of Stafford Police Department and Emergency Management Department two (2) new police cruisers, updated personal protective gear, and upgraded safety and technology equipment for the department’s current fleet. The expenditure is a provision of government services under police, fire, and other public safety.

Project Description	<p>The comprehensive list includes: two (2) 2022 Ford Explorer fleet vehicles, six (6) in-car vaults, two (2) cargo barriers, two (2) window barriers, two (2) in-car computer systems, two (2) communication radios, and six (6) bulletproof vests for sworn personnel. The project replaces obsolete, unsafe equipment and is compatible with mutual-aid partners and state agencies.</p> <p>The project is in direct response to the increase in crime, violence, and calls experienced during the pandemic and a direct investment to community policing initiatives. This technology, equipment, and protective gear allows law enforcement to respond to community needs more efficiently and effectively. The project advances officer safety needed in providing essential community services.</p> <p>The project is in direct response to the increase in crime, violence, and calls experienced during the pandemic and a direct investment to community policing initiatives. This technology, equipment, and protective gear allows law enforcement to respond to community needs more efficiently and effectively. The project advances officer safety needed in providing essential community services.</p>
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Project Name: First Responder Dispatch Radio Upgrade

Project Identification Number	RR-05
Project Expenditure Category	6-Revenue Replacement
Project Expenditure Subcategory	6.1-Provision of Government Services
Status To Completion	
Total Cumulative Obligations	\$157,461.00
Total Cumulative Expenditures	\$0.00
Current Period Obligations	\$157,461.00
Current Period Expenditures	\$0.00
Project Description	<p>The project replaces antiquated equipment and improves communication technologies for our Town's Emergency Services Personnel. The group – comprised of citizen volunteers – currently relies on decades-old equipment amid our Town's varied topography, creating communication difficulties at the most critical moments. The necessary project will purchase new radio dispatch equipment for Stafford Fire Department #1, West Stafford Fire Department, and Stafford Ambulance Association. Six (6) to eight (8) radios will be issued per department, providing interoperable communications, and directly addresses pandemic response efforts.</p> <p>The technology upgrade will also align with Tolland County Mutual Aid partners and the State of Connecticut, giving direct communication to partners such as the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection and Connecticut State Police. Furthermore, the project reduces future infrastructure costs by the new ability to utilize the State of Connecticut's Telecommunications, ultimately eliminating future</p>

	<p>maintenance costs. The project serves as a public health outcome and increases safety for professional volunteers that choose to protect the Town of Stafford. The expenditure is a provision of government services under police, fire, and other public safety.</p>
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Project Name: Town Cybersecurity Risk Assessment

Project Identification Number	RR-06
Project Expenditure Category	6-Revenue Replacement
Project Expenditure Subcategory	6.1-Provision of Government Services
Status To Completion	
Total Cumulative Obligations	\$5,510.00
Total Cumulative Expenditures	\$5,510.00
Current Period Obligations	\$5,510.00
Current Period Expenditures	\$5,510.00
Project Description	<p>The pandemic has elevated the use of cloud-based technologies and challenges associated with remote working environments. Recognizing the growing number of cybersecurity threats, the Town of Stafford took steps to mitigate risks, build resiliency, and reduce vulnerabilities. The project – a cybersecurity infrastructure investment – is a comprehensive review of the Town’s networks, systems, and policies to determine security readiness and provided specific ways to improve our cybersecurity foundation. Now that the risk assessment is finalized and potential vulnerabilities are identified, the Town can create actionable and appropriate solutions to address weaknesses in systems and direct resources to bolster security. A pre-development cost, the project is a provision of government services, under the modernization of cybersecurity – such as hardware, software, and protection of critical infrastructure.</p>

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Revenue Replacement

Is your jurisdiction electing to use the standard allowance of up to \$10 million, not to exceed your total award allocation, for identifying revenue loss?	Yes
Revenue Loss Due to Covid-19 Public Health Emergency	\$3,519,740.29
Were Fiscal Recovery Funds used to make a deposit into a pension fund?	No
Please provide an explanation of how revenue replacement funds were allocated to government services	Revenue Replacement funds are allocated to general governmental services provided by our jurisdiction, including but not limited to public safety services, modernization of cybersecurity, investments in infrastructure, and pandemic-related expenses that provide for mitigation and mediation of the negative economic impacts of the Covid-19 public health emergency.

Overview

Total Obligations	\$518,376.94
Total Expenditures	\$170,681.19
Total Number of Projects	6
Total Number of Subawards	0
Total Number of Expenditures	0

Certification

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