



Grant Cycle 5
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Alabama 9-1-1 Board Grant Program

Goal & Purpose

- The goal of the Alabama 9-1-1 Board Grant Program is to provide financial assistance to Emergency Communication Districts (ECDs) based on demonstrated need(s) in compliance with §11-98 et seq. of the Code of Alabama 1975, as amended. The purpose is to fund non-recurring costs necessary to achieve or maintain continuity and enhancement of 9-1-1, assuring that every location in Alabama has access to 9-1-1 service.
- The grant program will be funded to the extent that funds are available to the Alabama 9-1-1 Board in compliance with §11-98 et seq. of the Code of Alabama 1975, as amended and the administrative rules of the Alabama 9-1-1 Board.



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Eligibility

- Validly formed Alabama ECD
- In compliance with §11-98 et seq. of the Code of Alabama 1975, as amended
- Willing to provide reasonable data at request
- Submitted an ECD Certification for FY2020
- Submitted annual self-reporting information required by the Examiners for FY2019

Calendar

June 29, 2020

- ✓ Grant Cycle 5 opened for application submission

September 1, 2020

- ECD grant applications postmarked or delivered to the Alabama 9-1-1 Board Office

September-October 2020

- Application submissions will be evaluated by the Alabama 9-1-1 Board

November 19, 2020

- Grant award recommendations will be presented to the Alabama 9-1-1 Board for action



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Eligible Use of Funds (§11-98-6, Code of Alabama, as amended)

Disposition of funds.

(a) Funds received by a district pursuant to Section 11-98-5.2 shall be used to establish, operate, maintain, and replace an emergency communication system that, without limitation, may consist of the following:

- (1) Telephone communications equipment to be used in answering, transferring, and dispatching public emergency telephone calls originated by persons within the service area who dial 9-1-1.
- (2) Emergency radio communications equipment and facilities necessary to transmit and receive dispatch calls.
- (3) The engineering, installation, and recurring costs necessary to implement, operate, and maintain an emergency communication system.
- (4) Facilities to house E-911 operators and related services as defined in this chapter, with the approval of the creating authority, and for necessary emergency and uninterruptable power supplies for the systems.
- (5) Administrative and other costs related to subdivisions (1) to (4), inclusive.

(b) A district or county or municipal governing body may receive federal, state, county, or municipal real or personal property and funds, as well as real or personal property and funds from private sources, and may expend the funds or use the property for the purposes of this chapter.

(c) Subject to the remaining provisions of this chapter and the approval of the 9-1-1 Board and the creating authority, two or more districts, cities, or counties, or a city and a county in another district may agree to cooperate, to the extent practicable, to provide funding and service to their respective areas, and a single board of commissioners of not more than seven members may be appointed to conduct the affairs of the entities involved. In the event that two or more districts are consolidated for purposes of this chapter, the base distribution amount as defined in Section 11-98-5.2 (b)(3) shall include the combined base distribution amounts that would have been calculated for the individual districts.

(d) Subject to rules that may be adopted by the 9-1-1 Board, a district may expend available funds to establish a common address and location identification program and to establish the emergency service number data base to facilitate efficient operation of the system. The governing body and the E-911 Board of each county or city affected shall be jointly responsible for purchasing and installing the necessary signs to properly identify all roads and streets in the district.

(e) Beginning with fiscal year 2013, the Department of Examiners of Public Accounts shall audit each district on a biennial basis to ensure compliance with the requirements of this chapter regarding both revenues and expenditures.



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- Each submission should include **one original printed copy** and **one electronic copy**
- Procurement processes should follow both local ECD requirements and any applicable Alabama law
- All applications will require at least two complete competitive vendors quotes or reasoning why two were not provided
- Depending on fund availability, the Alabama 9-1-1 Board may choose to award a portion of the cost of submitted projects and the applicant must provide verification of their ability to fund to difference
- Those receiving grant awards will be required to submit Status Reports at determined increments of the project, until its completion



Alabama 9-1-1 Board Grant Cycle 5 Application

[Grant Cycle 5 Application Document](#)

- All application form pages are fillable Word documents
- Completely fill out all pages of Appendix 11.1.2 of the Application Document
 - Submissions should provide clear and sufficient detail of the proposed project
 - The Evaluation Team will notify the applicant of any missing items within 30 days of submission
- Project Agreement, Request for Change, Status Report and Sample Deliberation Forms are provided for reference



Input & Questions

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