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**Grant Programs Directorate Information Bulletin
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MEMORANDUM FOR: All Fiscal Year 2018 Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program Recipients

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SUBJECT: **UPDATE: Modifications to the Fiscal Year 2018 Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program Notice of Funding Opportunity and Awards**

I. Purpose

This Information Bulletin (IB) modifies the Fiscal Year (FY) 2018 Assistance to Firefighters Grant (AFG) Program reporting, period of performance, and amendment requirements contained in the Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO). FEMA is providing a 6-month extension to all FY 2018 AFG Program awards in addition to the 12-month extension previously provided to allow time to complete reporting and amendments functionality in the FEMA Grants Outcomes (FEMA GO) system.

FY 2018 AFG Program recipients will not need to request an amendment to receive this 6-month extension to their period of performance. FEMA will automatically grant the period of performance extension for all grant awards. All recipients will be notified with amended award documentation for their files.

Further, FEMA is delaying the timelines for submitting the required Federal Financial Report (SF-425) and Program Performance Reports. All FY 2018 AFG Program recipients will be required to submit the SF-425 and performance reports when the FEMA GO system functionality has been successfully deployed. Recipients will be provided with a timeline for submission of these reports as soon as it is available.

II. Applicability

This IB applies to FY 2018 AFG Program recipients.

III. Guidance

- A. The terms of the original FY 2018 AFG Program NOFO released on September 17, 2018 required recipients to submit an amendment requesting a period of performance extension for the project (pages 22 and 23), which can be found on the FEMA [website](#). As directed by this IB, these requirements are waived for this extension for FY 2018 AFG Program recipients. The NOFO requirements for extensions will apply for any additional extension requests.
- B. The terms of the original FY 2018 AFG Program NOFO released on September 17, 2018 required recipients to submit a Federal Financial Report (SF-425) and Program Performance Report on a semi-annual basis (pages 20 and 21), which can be found on the FEMA [website](#). As directed by this IB, these requirements are deferred for the FY 2018 AFG Program until the FEMA GO system functionality is available. Recipients will be provided additional guidance on submitting these reports, when available; however, recipients must document them in their grant files per the Code of Federal Regulations (C.F.R.), 2 C.F.R. § 200.334, Retention requirements for records.

IV. Questions

Any questions regarding this IB may be directed to your AFG Preparedness Officer (PO) or the AFG Help Desk at firegrants@fema.dhs.gov or (866) 274-0960, Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. ET.