



**DISCUSSION:** Patients with greater weight and volume present unique challenges for EMS providers to equitably deliver care. Traditional lifting and transportation methods can be impractical. To prevent staff injury and better serve patients who are obese, AFD intends to procure and deploy specialized transportation equipment and training tools.

**FISCAL IMPACT:** The RSAF grant is primarily a reimbursement program. Localities must initially pay the full project cost. Afterwards, they may request reimbursement of up to 50%. In rare cases an 80/20 hardship match is provided. Rarer yet, a 100% award may be granted. Initial costs for specialized transportation equipment and training tools will total up to \$50,000. Net costs will total up to \$25,000 after reimbursement.

**ATTACHMENTS:** None

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