



USFS FEDERAL FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

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Volunteer Fire Assistance (VFA) APPLICATION -Application Deadline: OCTOBER 31, 2025

2025

1. **FED TAX ID#:** _____ **DUNS #:** _____
Name of City/Township of Agency: _____
Name of Fire Department: _____
Mailing Address: _____
City: _____ State: Iowa Zip: _____
2. **Estimated TOTAL project cost:** _____
3. Date of Application (MM/DD/YYYY): _____ County: _____
4. Is the requesting community under 10,000 population? ☐ Yes ☐ No
5. Is the local 50% cost share available? ☐ Yes ☐ No
6. How many acres of state owned land are you protecting? _____ acres
7. Is the local agency registered with the State Fire Marshall's office? ☐ Yes ☐ No
8. Has the local agency provided Iowa Wildland Fire Reports during 2024/25? ☐ Yes ☐ No
9. Has the local agency participated in Wildland Fire training? ☐ Yes ☐ No
10. Does the local agency use wildland fire PPE on wildland fires? ☐ Yes ☐ No
11. Is the completed W-9 Federal Tax ID form attached? ☐ Yes ☐ No
12. Please list the communities that this department has Mutual Aid agreements with:

The applicant certifies, as a condition of this grant application, that no one within their organization will engage in the unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensing, possession or use of a controlled substance in conducting any activity with this grant.

The applicant further certifies that to the best of his/her knowledge and belief, the information in this application is true and correct and that he/she will comply with the Cooperative Forestry Assistance Act of 1978 and its administration guidelines if the grant is received.

Head of Local Government:

(or Financial Officer)

Signature: _____

Name (please print): _____

Title: _____

Day and Evening Phone: _____

Email Address: _____

Fire Chief:

Signature: _____

Name (please print): _____

Day and Evening Phone: _____

Email Address: _____

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All INVOICES must be dated between October 1, 2024 and June 1, 2026.

All BILLING CLAIMS must be received by July 1, 2026.

Eligible Cost-Share Items	Quantity	Unit Cost	Total
\$4,500 maximum VFA cost-share			
Wildfire Hand and Line Tools			
5 gal. Backpack Bladder Bags			
Fire Rake, Collapsible Fire Rake			
Fire Swatter, Fire Broom			
Shovel, McLeod, Pulaski Tool			
Chain Saws, Leaf Blowers, Mist Blowers			
Fire Weather Kit, Kestrel Weather Meters			
Fuses, Drip Torch			
GPS Units			
Wildland Fire Protective Clothing			
Shirts, Pants, Coveralls, Brush Coats: Nomex			
Neck Shrouds: Nomex			
Goggles: fire safe			
Gloves: fire safe			
Hardhats: fire safe			
Fire Packs, Radio Harness, Web Gear			
Fire Shelters			
Communications Equipment			
Base Radios			
Handheld/Programmable Radios			
Mobile Radios			
Pagers			
Wildland Water Handling Equipment			
Slide-In Units			
Foam Units, Foam Mixers and/or Foam			
Portable Tanks			
Portable Pumps			
Hoses (¾", 1", 1 ½")			
Nozzles and Fittings			
Special Request (no buildings, vehicles, trailers, or ATV's)			
How does your Special Request apply to Wildland Fire?			
(Attach a separate sheet for special requests)			
Estimated Total Project Cost:			

NO INDIVIDUAL ITEM CAN BE \$5,000 OR MORE.

**Return Completed Application via
mail or email by October 31, 2025**

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