

**TO: Ohio FD's**  
**FR: Chief Scott Skeldon, Ohio SIEC**  
**RE: SFM MARCS Grant**  
**DT: June 27, 2014**

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From recent discussions with SFM Flowers, I wanted to share some basic information on the 3 Million dollars that are being made available from the Dept of Commerce & the SFMO, thru the MBR signed by Gov Kasich for MARCS Equipment / Users Fees for Ohio's Fire Service.

The Grant will be administered thru the SFM Small Fire Department Equipment Grant, but it will be a separate grant Application Grant Applications should be on the SFM Website on or about July 11th.

### **Basic Criteria for Applying**

Based on a 25K or less population  
50K per department awarded

Scoring will be

1. Budget (normally on a smaller 40K budget, but NOT limited to this)
2. Run Volume
3. Service coverage area

**\*\*\*\*\* Regional Applications will be given consideration\*\*\*\*\***

Which means?

If a department would be eliminated as a single department because of population or budget issues, if that department sent in a application as a regional effort, that department would then have a better chance of getting the grant If you are applying as a regional effort, EACH DEPARTMENT needs to fill out the grant application as a single department,

**BUT**

Departments then should get together and send all of the applications to the SFM as a group. I would suggest some type of group cover letter be included stating the needs / reasoning of the regional communities to give the selection boards guidance on why you need the regional grant. Contact SFM Larry Flower: [Larry.Flowers@com.state.oh.us](mailto:Larry.Flowers@com.state.oh.us) 614-752-7161.

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