



Office of the Fire Marshal

2020/2021 Fire Safety Grant Application Form

Instructions:

1. Please ensure that all fields are completed as part of this grant application form.
2. If you require more space, please adjust the text boxes as needed.
3. If you wish to split the grant between supporting training and supporting a virtual inspection program to enhance your existing in-person inspection program, please complete both sections below.
4. Please email completed application to ofm@ontario.ca
5. **Applications must be received no later than 1700hrs on March 19, 2021.**
6. If you have any questions, please contact your Fire Protection Adviser.

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| Name of Municipality | City of Vaughan |
| Name of Fire Department | Vaughan (City of) Fire & Rescue Service |
| Municipal Mailing Address | 2141 Major Mackenzie Drive Vaughan, ON L6A 1T1 |
| Name of Fire Chief | Mike Doyle |
| Email Address for Fire Chief | mike.doyle@vaughan.ca |
| Fire Safety Grant Allocation Amount | \$80,100.00 |

For those departments who wish to use the grant to support training, please provide a brief description of how the grant will be allocated, including the dollar amount. Please provide a brief overview of the training being provided, mode of delivery (online, Regional Training Centre, Learning Contract, other) and estimated timelines for completion. Please refer to the Fire Marshal Memo issued on March 11th, 2021 for additional information regarding eligible expenses. Please add extra lines to expand the text box below, if needed.

In order to move away from the traditional classroom learning environment, and to promote physical distancing, VFRS will adopt the model of remote-online learning for our on-duty staff. This will be accomplished by providing each on-duty firefighter with the ability to use a mobile teaching aid (tablet) with appropriate software to use remote/individualized space within the fire station, away from others. All VFRS stations are equipped with wifi, therefore the infrastructure is in place to support this model. Cost breakdown below:

1. *Purchase of 55 (distributed throughout 11 stations) iPads with protective case and keyboard: \$46,750+tax (\$850 each)*
2. *Purchase of 12 multi-unit charging stations: \$2400+tax (\$200 each)*



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Additionally, the VFRS requires additional training aids in the form of specialized rescue mannequins;

- 1. One live fire training mannequin (to support live fire training tower drills): \$1890+tax*
- 2. One technical rescue training mannequin (to support rope, trench, and confined space drills): \$1576+tax*
- 3. One water/ice rescue training mannequin (to support water/ice rescue drills): \$1360+tax*

For those departments who wish to use the grant to support a virtual inspection program to enhance your existing in-person inspection program, please provide a brief description of how the grant will be allocated, including the dollar amount. Please provide a brief overview of the compliance activities and how it will be administered at the department level, including potential rollout. Please refer to Fire Marshal Memo issued on March 11th, 2021 for additional information regarding eligible expenses. Please add extra lines to expand the text box below, if needed.

In order to support virtual inspections, the VFRS will be transitioning to virtual inspections. This transition will allow our legislated obligation to be fulfilled, while keeping our staff as safe as possible. This will be accomplished with 2 iPads per inspector, enabling one to be used by the inspector and inspectee. Through either wifi or hotspot technology, the inspection will be accomplished with two-way interaction on Facetime or a third-party application. The size of the iPad will be a direct benefit to the inspection. Cost breakdown below:

- 1. Purchase of 28 (distributed throughout 14 Inspectors) iPads with protective case and keyboard: \$23,800+tax (\$850 each)*
- 2. Purchase of 1 multi-unit charging stations: \$200+tax*

Support for our staff to keep office congregation to a minimum is a fundamental priority moving forward. We will accomplish this by giving our Inspectors the tools to keep the necessity to visit the office, to a minimum. A virtual office space within their vehicles will accomplish this priority. Cost breakdown below:



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1. Purchase of 14 vehicle (iPad) mounting brackets: \$2100+tax (\$150 each)

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| Name of Application Submitter | Mike Doyle |
| Title | Fire Chief |
| Signature | |
| Date | MARCH 19, 2021 |