

# Dept. of Health Services: Wisconsin EMS encouraged to apply for flex grant funding

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The Wisconsin Department of Health Services (DHS) announced today that it will begin receiving Requests for Applications (RFAs) for \$12 million dollars in EMS Flex Grant funding [recently unveiled by Governor Tony Evers](#) alongside an additional \$22 million investment toward emergency response in the state. This investment comes from the American Rescue Plan Act – Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds.

“Wisconsin’s emergency medical services responders are among the first on the scene during our darkest hours – from a heart attack to a house fire – providing consistent, high-quality services when we need them most,” said Gov. Evers. “For too long, local communities have been doing more with less, especially in our rural communities who’ve had to cut critical public safety services due to lack of resources. These investments will help support EMS and health care access across our state by providing EMS providers the support they need to be there when folks need them.”

Under these Flex Grants, funds will be provided for reasonable operating expenses for EMS, including, but not limited to:

- Medical and PPE/protective supplies
- Emergency operations including training required to maintain licensure or

upgrade service level

- Response equipment including training required to operate the equipment
- Emergency response vehicles
- Emergency Medical Devices/ Trauma Stabilization/ Pediatric and Neonate transport equipment

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