

Did you know that you can apply for funding to help your facility and community?

What are funding requests?

Funding requests are local grants sponsored by the coalition for items/trainings to improve agencies and the region's overall preparedness for emergencies.

Who can apply?

Healthcare related agencies that actively participate in the Healthcare Coalition.

What can I apply for?

The coalition has 5 identified gaps; items/trainings should help improve one or more of these gaps. See additional details on page 3. Projects funded in this cycle must be completed by June 30, 2024

**Applications due
October 27th 2023**

How to apply?

Fill out the entire funding request packet. Completed applications should be submitted to Coalition@hpcswf.com and are due by **October 27, 2023**

What if I have questions?

The Coalition will be hosting a Q&A on October 12, 2023 at 1PM [Join Q & A Here](#)

What happens after I've applied?

- Coalition staff will review to ensure it fits contract requirements.
- Presentation will be given to the Executive Council and membership on November 8th 2023 at 2PM [Join Presentation Here](#)
- Executive Council will prioritize projects by scoring each project 0-100 based on how much the project would contribute to fulfilling the Coalition's mission and prioritized gaps i.e. have a positive impact.
- Priority will be given to items or trainings that benefit more than one agency and/or can be shared or reused by the community or region. Typically requests range between \$1,000 - \$20,000.

Prioritization Scoring Scale

- 0-19 – Project would make no positive impact.
- 20-39 – Project would have a minimal impact for a single organization or entity.
- 40-59 – Project would have a minimal impact for the Coalition /region and/or a moderate impact for a single organization or entity.
- 60-79 – Project would have a moderate impact for the Coalition /region and/or would have a significant impact for a single organization or entity
- 80-100 - Project would have a significant impact for the Coalition /region and/or a highly significant impact for a single organization or entity.

Have any questions?

Please contact the Project Manager at Coalition@hpcswf.com

- Requesting agency must have active representation in the Coalition.
- Requesting agency must meet the minimum requirement of participation: at least 6 coalition activities such as attendance at one or more coalition meetings and/or contribution to coalition surveys, plans or events within the calendar year. Agencies that do not meet this requirement may find an eligible agency to request on their behalf.
- Request must demonstrate relevance to coalition mission and demonstrate direct link to coalition identified gaps.
 - Educate and train on identified preparedness and response gaps.
 - Identify and coordinate resource needs during an emergency.
 - Train and exercise to promote responder's safety and health.
 - Assess regional health care resources.
 - Distribute resources required to protect the health care workforce.
- Projects funded in the current cycle must be completed by **6/30/2024**. The application also gives the option to be considered for future funding cycles.
- Agency representative or a proxy must be present at the presentation of the funding requests on **November 8, 2023 @ 2:00pm**.
<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/84655678284?pwd=UnFvOUN0Y016dmpTWkl2WVcxb3JxUT09>
- Items will be part of the Coalition inventory, which will be updated regularly. The Coalition will be monitoring the status of the item(s), at least, annually." . The location of the item(s) should be always known allowing Coalition staff to verify item's location and status at any time.
- The requesting agency is responsible for any upkeep and maintenance of the item.
- The requesting agency is required to notify the coalition if the item(s) is damaged, expired or otherwise no longer usable.
- If the item is one that can be shared with other agencies in the region or state, the agency must be willing to share the item in case of a disaster. The Coalition will share the inventory list as needed. Any agency requesting to borrow the item may be responsible for costs, transportation, and necessary staff for the use of the item. Those costs will be agreed upon by the two agencies however, they should not include a profit for the loaned item.
- If approved, the agency will be required to sign a document agreeing to the terms above prior to purchase.

These are only examples.
Please think of your actual gaps and needs.

Gap 1 - Plan and conduct coordinated exercises with healthcare coalition members and other response organizations.

- Community Based Exercises
- Virtual or In-person Tabletops
- Training on After-Action reports and Improvement Plans



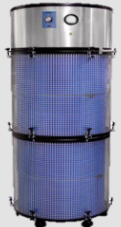
Gap 2 - Educate and train on identified preparedness and response gaps.

- Continuity of Operations Plan (COOP) training
- Activation 101
- Incident Command Systems Training
- Trainings relating to Mental Health or Pediatric response.



Gap 3 - Identify and coordinate resource needs during an emergency.

- Patient Evacuation Go-pouches
- Power Air-Purifying Respirators
- Decontamination Tent



Gap 4 - Train and exercise to promote responder's safety and health.

- Group Planning Sessions
- Mental Health First Aid Trainings
- Active Shooter/Civil Unrest Tabletop Exercises

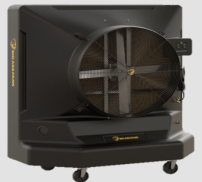


Gap 5 - Assess regional health care resources.

- Requests from Resource Task Force

Gap 6 - Distribute resources required to protect the health care workforce

- Fit Test Equipment
- Aeroclaves
- Electrostatic Sprayers
- Fire Suppression Training Kit
- Fans and Air Conditioning for Shelters/additional Healthcare space



The Southwest Florida Healthcare Coalition is prohibited from purchasing the follow items:

- Fund raising activities or lobbying
- Research
- Construction or major renovations
- Clinical care
- Purchase vehicles to be used as means of transportation for carrying people or goods, e.g., passenger cars or trucks, electrical or gas-driven motorized carts
- May not supplant existing state or federal funds for activities described in the budget
- Payment or reimbursement of backfilling costs for staff is not allowed
- Clothing such as jeans, cargo pants, polo shirts, sweat shirts or t-shirts
- A house or living quarters for those under quarantine
- Courses, exercises or planning resources when similar offerings are available at no cost
- Support standalone, single facility exercises
- Fund individual entities to meet CMS conditions of participation such as development of an emergency plan, developing policies and procedures, developing and maintaining a communication plan and developing and maintaining a training and testing program