



**SOUTH CAROLINA FORESTRY COMMISSION
VOLUNTEER FIRE ASSISTANCE (VFA) GRANT
NATIONAL FIRE PLAN (NFP)
2016 GRANT APPLICATION/CHECKLIST**



Please TYPE, or print CLEARLY

FEPP Compliance:

Fire Dept./Station Name: Big Oak		<input type="checkbox"/> Fire Dept. (FD)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Rural Fire Dept. (RFD)	<input type="checkbox"/> Fire and Rescue	Zip Code 29221
Mailing Address: PO Box 21707		City: Columbia		County Richland	SC
Fire Chief's Name: Brad Bramlett		Cell: (803) 940-2628		A. # of Volunteer Firefighters:	20
Fire Chief's E-mail:		Work: (803) 896-8810		B. Total # of Firefighters:	25
Population Protected (#): 1,250		# of times funded (last 8 years): 1	2015 Total Annual Operating Budget: \$ 17,500	# of Wildfires in 2015: 45	ISO Rating: 5
Is there a Firewise Community USA in the fire district? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No; <input type="checkbox"/> Yes- name:		SCFC Office Use Only: MAIN Items Requested <input type="checkbox"/> Skid Unit; <input type="checkbox"/> VHF Radios; <input type="checkbox"/> Wildland PPE; <input type="checkbox"/> Dry Hydrant			
Is there a Community Wildfire Protection Plan (CWPP)? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No; <input type="checkbox"/> Yes- name:		1.			
Has the fire depart. assisted SCFC in any programs (How To Have a Firewise Home workshop, helped with Firewise Mobile Exhibit, etc.)? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No; <input type="checkbox"/> Yes- list:		2.			
		3.			
		4.			
		5.			
		6.			

Amount Requested: 1:1 Matching Funds **(PLEASE ROUND TO WHOLE NUMBERS)**

\$ 1,660 **Federal** (50% of total) Must be \$1,000 to \$5,000: Amount the applicant will receive (if funded)
 + \$ 1,661 **Applicant** (minimum 50% of total)
 = \$ 3,321 **Total**

Note: The Applicant amount must be at least equal to or greater than the Federal amount.

Return completed Application to:
 SC Forestry Commission
 VFA Grant Coordinator- Brad Bramlett
 PO Box 21707
 Columbia, SC 29221-1707

Place a "Check" below once completed, and ready to be mailed:

- 1.) VFA Form 1:** Completed Application/Checklist **(place on top & be sure everything is enclosed)**
- 2.) VFA Form 2:** List of Wildland Urban Interface (WUI) Communities Protected - Be sure to include all communities protected that would be included in WUI ... list individual communities
- 3.) VFA Form 3:** List of Equipment/Items Requested. Be sure to explain how and where you plan on using them. If you have a quote on items, please send it with the application.
- 4.) W-9 Form - Request for Taxpayer ID# and Certification-** Enter fire department name at "Business Name", address, "Employer Federal ID#", and **signed** by chief.
NOTE: Just return the first **(FRONT)** page of the W-9, and not the other 3 pages.

Fire Chief's Signature: Brad Bramlett Date: 8-4-2016

Application due by **Oct. 15, 2016:**
Recommend using Certified Mail!!

List of Wildland Urban Interface (WUI) Communities Protected – REQUIRED:

Wildland Urban Interface is defined as the area where residences and other human development meet or intermingle with undeveloped wildland. Generally, rural fire departments protect several such communities.

Communities within the WUI are at risk when they are located near woodlands that historically have had wildfires or have the potential to have wildfires.

Such communities could be...

1. A named subdivision (i.e. gated community).
2. A cluster of homes (10 minimum) in close proximity of each other which could effectively work together to develop and implement actions to protect their homes from wildfire (often known locally by some common name or area of the county).
3. A group of homes with some organizational structure such as a homeowner’s association.

Therefore, a town or the service area that a fire department protects may have several such communities that could be threatened by wildfires. These communities are known as Communities at Risk within the Wildland Urban Interface.

List those communities below that the Big Oak Fire Department protects.

★ **(Please list the communities in alphabetical order. They are entered on a spreadsheet, and this is very helpful).** ★

1. Boundary View	11.	21.
2. Clearwater	12.	22.
3. Dovepoint	13.	23.
4. Glendale	14.	24.
5. Hunter’s Glen	15.	25.
6. Mallard’s Way	16.	26.
7. Oakway Community	17.	27.
8. River Drive	18.	28.
9. Woodcreek	19.	29.
10.	20.	30.

Total # of WUI Communities: 9

If you are interested in the Firewise Program (an educational awareness program for homeowners and communities to learn how to protect their homes and communities from wildfire) please contact Steve Moore, Firewise Program Manager, 803-896-8854 or SMoore@scfc.gov. Firewise is offered by the SCFC in cooperation with the local fire department.

Fire Chief Name- Printed Brad Bramlett	Fire Chief- Signature ✗ <i>Brad Bramlett</i>	Date <i>8-2-2016</i>
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2016 VFA Equipment Request Form

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Big Oak

Fire Department would like to apply for the

Volunteer Fire Assistance (VFA) grant to purchase the following:

**Grant period for item purchase:
April 1, 2016 to April 15, 2017**

Item	Price per Item	# of Items	Total per Item
1. Nomex pants	\$195	8	\$1,560
2. Nomex shirts	\$130	8	\$1,040
3. Wildland hardhat	\$45	8	\$360
4. Gloves, leather	\$9	16	\$144
5.	\$		\$
6.	\$		\$
7.	\$		\$
8.	\$		\$
9.	\$		\$
10.	\$		\$
11.	\$		\$
12.	\$		\$
13.	\$		\$
Subtotal	\$		\$3,104.00
Estimated taxes at 7 %	\$		\$217.28

Grand Total (this amount will go on the Application as the "Total")

\$3,321.00

(rounded to the nearest whole dollar)

Note: In order to receive priority for specific items (VHF radios, wildland PPE, skid unit, dry hydrant), the **MAJORITY** of the purchases MUST be of those items.



Briefly describe how the above mentioned item(s) will be used to enhance firefighting capacity in the Wildland-Urban Interface (WUI). Attach additional sheet if needed.

We plan to use these items on our brush trucks. These will be especially beneficial over turn-out gear during hot weather. They are also much more comfortable.

x Brad Bramlett

Fire Chief Signature

8-02-2016

Date

Request for Taxpayer Identification Number and Certification

**Give Form to the
 requester. Do not
 send to the IRS.**

1 Name (as shown on your income tax return). Name is required on this line; do not leave this line blank.
Big Oak Fire Dept

2 Business name/disregarded entity name, if different from above

3 Check appropriate box for federal tax classification; check only one of the following seven boxes:
 Individual/sole proprietor or single-member LLC
 Limited liability company. Enter the tax classification (C=C corporation, S=S corporation, P=partnership) ▶ _____
 Other (see instructions) ▶ _____
 C Corporation
 S Corporation
 Partnership
 Trust/estate

Note. For a single-member LLC that is disregarded, do not check LLC; check the appropriate box in the line above for the tax classification of the single-member owner.

4 Exemptions (codes apply only to certain entities, not individuals; see instructions on page 3):
 Exempt payee code (if any) _____
 Exemption from FATCA reporting code (if any) _____
(Applies to accounts maintained outside the U.S.)

5 Address (number, street, and apt. or suite no.)
PO Box 21707

6 City, state, and ZIP code
Columbia, SC 29221

7 List account number(s) here (optional)

Requester's name and address (optional)

Part I Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN)

Enter your TIN in the appropriate box. The TIN provided must match the name given on line 1 to avoid backup withholding. For individuals, this is generally your social security number (SSN). However, for a resident alien, sole proprietor, or disregarded entity, see the Part I instructions on page 3. For other entities, it is your employer identification number (EIN). If you do not have a number, see *How to get a TIN* on page 3.

Note. If the account is in more than one name, see the instructions for line 1 and the chart on page 4 for guidelines on whose number to enter.

Social security number									
or									
Employer identification number									
1	2		3	4	5	6	7	8	9

Part II Certification

Under penalties of perjury, I certify that:

- The number shown on this form is my correct taxpayer identification number (or I am waiting for a number to be issued to me); and
- I am not subject to backup withholding because: (a) I am exempt from backup withholding, or (b) I have not been notified by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) that I am subject to backup withholding as a result of a failure to report all interest or dividends, or (c) the IRS has notified me that I am no longer subject to backup withholding; and
- I am a U.S. citizen or other U.S. person (defined below); and
- The FATCA code(s) entered on this form (if any) indicating that I am exempt from FATCA reporting is correct.

Certification instructions. You must cross out item 2 above if you have been notified by the IRS that you are currently subject to backup withholding because you have failed to report all interest and dividends on your tax return. For real estate transactions, item 2 does not apply. For mortgage interest paid, acquisition or abandonment of secured property, cancellation of debt, contributions to an individual retirement arrangement (IRA), and generally, payments other than interest and dividends, you are not required to sign the certification, but you must provide your correct TIN. See the instructions on page 3.

Sign Here Signature of U.S. person ▶ *Brad Bramble* Date ▶ *8-2-16*

General Instructions

Section references are to the Internal Revenue Code unless otherwise noted.

Future developments. Information about developments affecting Form W-9 (such as legislation enacted after we release it) is at www.irs.gov/fw9.

Purpose of Form

An individual or entity (Form W-9 requester) who is required to file an information return with the IRS must obtain your correct taxpayer identification number (TIN) which may be your social security number (SSN), individual taxpayer identification number (ITIN), adoption taxpayer identification number (ATIN), or employer identification number (EIN), to report on an information return the amount paid to you, or other amount reportable on an information return. Examples of information returns include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Form 1099-INT (interest earned or paid)
- Form 1099-DIV (dividends, including those from stocks or mutual funds)
- Form 1099-MISC (various types of income, prizes, awards, or gross proceeds)
- Form 1099-B (stock or mutual fund sales and certain other transactions by brokers)
- Form 1099-S (proceeds from real estate transactions)
- Form 1099-K (merchant card and third party network transactions)

- Form 1098 (home mortgage interest), 1098-E (student loan interest), 1098-T (tuition)
- Form 1099-C (canceled debt)
- Form 1099-A (acquisition or abandonment of secured property)

Use Form W-9 only if you are a U.S. person (including a resident alien), to provide your correct TIN.

If you do not return Form W-9 to the requester with a TIN, you might be subject to backup withholding. See What is backup withholding? on page 2.

By signing the filled-out form, you:

- Certify that the TIN you are giving is correct (or you are waiting for a number to be issued),
- Certify that you are not subject to backup withholding, or
- Claim exemption from backup withholding if you are a U.S. exempt payee. If applicable, you are also certifying that as a U.S. person, your allocable share of any partnership income from a U.S. trade or business is not subject to the withholding tax on foreign partners' share of effectively connected income, and
- Certify that FATCA code(s) entered on this form (if any) indicating that you are exempt from the FATCA reporting, is correct. See *What is FATCA reporting?* on page 2 for further information.