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MEMORANDUM TO: All Ontario Fire Chiefs

FROM: John Snider
Acting Ontario Fire Marshal

DATE: April 23, 2024

SUBJECT: Fire Protection Grant

On March 26, 2024, the Ontario government announced a new three-year \$30 million Fire Protection Grant for municipal fire departments.

This is an application-based grant. Municipal fire departments will be able to apply for funding for fire department infrastructure, personal protective equipment and specialized decontamination tools to clean and sanitize firefighter gear.

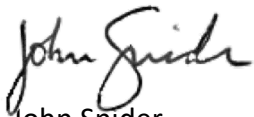
The grant will operate as three consecutive one-year grants of \$10 million per year and will be available for any new and existing qualifying initiatives which will be completed within the grant year.

The Office of the Fire Marshal will administer the grant through the Transfer Payment Ontario (TPON) system. Municipalities whose fire departments are interested in applying for this grant must set up a *My Ontario* account in the TPON system (many municipalities may be set up on this system already). More information on setting up a *My Ontario* account can be found on the [TPON website](#).

As with other grants offered by the ministry, applicants are required to develop proposals with supporting information to demonstrate need, return on investment, and benefit to public safety. We encourage fire departments to begin preparing this information to ensure a compelling grant application can be developed.

Additional information about the Fire Protection Grant and an information package will be available shortly.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John Snider". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "John" being more prominent than the last name "Snider".

John Snider

Acting Ontario Fire Marshal

c: Mario Di Tommaso, O.O.M.

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