

Mission:

To protect, promote and improve the health of all people in Florida through integrated state, county and community efforts.

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May 5, 2025

Mr. Brian Hawkins, Chairman
Hernando County
15470 Flight Path Drive
Brooksville, FL 34604

Dear Mr. Hawkins:

The Florida Department of Health (Department), Division of Emergency Preparedness and Community Support is pleased to award the Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Matching Grant, M2520, in the amount of \$29,754.00 to Hernando County. This award is subject to appropriation and availability of funds.

The purpose of this grant is to provide funds for the expansion and/or improvement of prehospital EMS by assisting your organization with the purchase of Stretchers and Stretcher Batteries. Section 401.113(2)(b), Florida Statutes (F.S.), provides authority to dispense funds annually from the EMS Trust Fund; no federal funding was utilized for this grant.

The grant cycle begins on the date the Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) associated with this award is executed and ends one calendar year from the date of execution. Your required local cash match is \$9,918.00 with a total budget of \$39,672.00. Pursuant to section 401.113(2)(b), F.S., and in compliance with the Florida Catalog of State Financial Assistance Number 64.003, agencies are required to report grant activities and purchases to the Department. Grant reports are due within 30 days of the end of each fiscal quarter.

You will receive the MOA for your review and signature at a later date. Funds will not be released until after the agreement is fully executed. A copy of the executed MOA, with my signature, will be provided for your records.

Thank you for your participation in the Florida Department of Health, Bureau of Emergency Medical Oversight's EMS Matching Grant program. If you need assistance, please contact our staff at EMSGrants@FLHealth.gov.

Sincerely,

Douglas H. Woodlief
Division Director
Emergency Preparedness and Community Support

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