

Exhibit "A"

Scope of Expenditures

1. The following is the scope of expenditures funded by the CARES Act Coronavirus Relief Fund For Local Governments received by the County of San Bernardino:

The following scope of expenditures sustains operations and increases dispatch capacity in support of the regional response to the current COVID-19 pandemic:

- **CAD to CAD Program:** The Regional Computer Aided Dispatch (CAD) to CAD program allows for the coordinated communication, assignment and tracking of resources during calls-for-service. CAD to CAD enables disparate CAD systems to communicate through a network-based hub that translates information from one CAD to another in real time. CAD to CAD has allowed multijurisdictional agencies to respond to the COVID-19 emergency quicker, more efficiently, and in a safer manner.

Proving the following benefits:

- Real-time situational awareness and common operating picture between neighboring communications centers.
 - Expedites resource requests between agencies, potentially reducing response times across jurisdictional boundaries.
 - Improves the transmission and update of incident information to responders.
 - Facilitates information flow of real-time information to all San Bernardino County responders regardless of jurisdiction.
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- **Regional Dispatch Improvements:** Investment in technological improvements at the Hesperia location. This investment has improved operations between CONFIRE's two locations (Rialto and Hesperia). This investment will provide for full redundancy should one location or center become impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic or something similar. Funding also included the staffing necessary to support the Hesperia center. In addition, lessons learned from 9-1-1 centers located in impacted COVID-19 hot spots indicated that portable call-taking equipment is vital in increasing the capacity for multiple dispatch centers to work together.
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- **Emergency Community Nurse System (Nurse Triage Program):** As an accredited center for Emergency Medical Dispatch CONFIRE has been able to expand its Emergency Medical Dispatch (EMD) program and incorporated a nurse element that allows for the further screening of certain calls- identifying potential COVID-19 or other communicable-disease cases and directing them to the appropriate treatment and transportation options. This proactive approach of installing nurses in the dispatch center provides for the appropriate care and safety measures for all involved.

CONFIRE has been proactive in search for additional funding to support efforts listed above. Urban Areas Security Initiative (UASI) funding became available and CONFIRE was successfully awarded funds for their CAD to CAD program. This has allowed original allocated CARES Act funding to become available for the other initiatives. The Nurse Triage Program has proven to

be critical initiative in the fight against COVID and CONFIRE would like to amplify it further by reallocating \$500,000 CARES Act funding from the CAD to CAD program to the Nurse Triage Program. The \$500,000 reallocation of CARES Act funds from the Regional CAD to CAD Program to the Nurse Triage Program does modify the estimated cost of these programs as reflected in the following table, which the parties acknowledge and agree shall act as not-to-exceed amounts under this Agreement for each program/project. Any future reallocations of CARES Act funds, modifying the revised cost estimate identified in the below table, for a specific program/project by an aggregate amount of no more than 10%, and which modification does not increase the total not-to-exceed amount, may be approved by authorized representatives of the parties in writing without an amendment to this Agreement.

Program/Project	Original Estimate	Revised Estimate	Increase (Decrease)
Regional Dispatch Improvements	\$1,061,000	\$1,061,000	\$0
Nurse Triage Program	\$360,000	\$860,000	\$500,000
Regional CAD to CAD Program	\$650,000	\$150,000	(\$500,000)
Total	\$2,071,000	\$2,071,000	\$0

The use of CARES Act funds for these programs/projects are permissible as these costs:

- are necessary expenditures incurred due to the public health emergency with respect to COVID-19;
 - were not accounted for in the budget approved as of March 27, 2020 (the date of enactment of the CARES Act); and
 - were incurred during the period that begins March 1, 2020 and ends December 31, 2021.
2. Not-to-exceed amount of expenditures described in 1, above, incurred and paid during the period of March 1, 2020 through December 31, 2021 is \$2,071,000.

3. Test:

- a. Is the expense connected to the current COVID-19 emergency and, if yes, how?

Yes. COVID-19 is an ongoing pandemic. The expense will allow Emergency Medical Services (EMS) dispatched by CONFIRE to respond better in the current COVID-19 pandemic and subsequently.

- b. Is the expense “necessary” due to the COVID-19 emergency and, if yes, how?

Yes, the expense is necessary to ensure efficiency in response, better protect first responders and to assure COVID-19 related patients are transported to appropriate destinations. The nurse triage capability will help re-direct certain callers to more

appropriate treatment options, thereby averting a dispatch to first responders. CAD to CAD ensures agencies can effectively communicate details related to COVID-19 responses and improve overall regional situational awareness and resource management.

- c. If the expense includes meeting payroll expenses for public safety, public health, health care, human services, and similar employees, are these services substantially dedicated to mitigating or responding to the COVID-19 public health emergency and, if yes, how?

Resources are substantially dedicated to the COVID-19 crisis as dispatchers, and first responders providing emergency medical services.

- d. Is the expense filling a short fall in government revenues?

No

- e. Is the expense funded through another budget line item, allotment or allocation, as of March 27, 2020?

No

- f. True or false: The expense would not exist without COVID-19 OR would be for a “substantially different” purpose.

- i. If true, please explain.

CARES Act funding is necessary to provide immediate funding for these programs in a manner that would expedite their deployment during the COVID-19 pandemic and increase the number of agencies that could participate.

- g. The CARES Act Coronavirus Relief Fund is considered as federal financial assistance under the Single Audit Act and is subject to 2 CFR Part 200, including but not limited to 2 CFR 200.303 (internal control), 200.330 thru 200.332 (subrecipient monitoring and management), and subpart F (audit). Does your agency have adequate policies and procedures in place to be in compliance with the requirements of 2 CFR Part 200 as prescribed by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB)?

Yes.