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**Department of Municipal Affairs  
Office of the Fire Marshal**

Date: May 7, 2018

To: Fire Departments, Ground Search & Rescue and HAZMAT organizations in Nova Scotia

Re: 2018-19 Emergency Services Provider Fund (ESPF)

The Emergency Services Provider Fund is intended to assist first responder organizations in Nova Scotia with the purchase of equipment used directly in response to fire or emergency situations. The Program will pay 75% of the total eligible costs, up to a maximum grant of \$20,000.

Organizations which received funding from the ESPF program in 2016-17 or 2017-18 are not eligible to receive a grant from the ESPF in 2018-19.

Applications can be made through the Province of Nova Scotia's online application process for provincial grant programs. In the 2018-19 year, the Office of the Fire Marshal will continue transitioning the application process for the ESPF to this online process. The Office of the Fire Marshal would appreciate your cooperation in applying for the ESPF using the online process.

The link to register and apply for the ESPF is <https://grants.novascotia.ca/irj/portal>

During the transition period, you are still able to download the application to your computer and complete the application beginning May 7<sup>th</sup>.

<http://novascotia.ca/dma/funding/community/emergency-services-provider-fund.asp>

Once the application is completed, you may submit:

- an electronic/scanned version to the e-mail address below
- a faxed version to (902) 424-3239
- or original documents via Canada Post

Attached are the program criteria, list of eligible equipment and check list of required information to assist in the preparation of your application.

Applications must be received by our office or postmarked by June 22, 2018. Applications received after this date will not be considered.

If you have any questions, please contact Kirk Janes at (902) 424-5721 or by email at [OFM@novascotia.ca](mailto:OFM@novascotia.ca)

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Fred Jeffers".

Fred Jeffers  
Fire Marshal