

A REPORT ON THE 2017-2018 DISTRIBUTION OF FUNDS  
MUTUAL FINANCE ASSISTANCE ACT  
Pursuant to Neb. Rev. Stat. § 35-1207(1)

To

Honorable Pete Ricketts  
Governor of Nebraska  
And  
Members of the  
Nebraska Legislature

Prepared by



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Dear Governor Ricketts, Clerk of the Legislature O'Donnell, and State Senators:

A total of \$3,648,450 was transferred to the State's General Fund in 2017-2018 for distribution to Mutual Finance Organizations and Fire Protection Districts in Nebraska. Most of that money was used for equipment, supplies, and training to assist in emergencies and to protect residents and communities across the state.

The Treasury Management Division of the Treasurer's Office is responsible for receiving applications for these funds and disbursing the funds. The State appropriation this year was sufficient to fund in full the amount each organization was qualified to receive. Each year when we submit this annual report, we are reminded of the valuable service these organizations provide to the people of Nebraska.

The use of money distributed in 2017-2018 through the Mutual Finance Assistance Act is highlighted in the Annual Report to the Legislature, which can be found on the Treasurer's website at <https://treasurer.nebraska.gov/tm/rural-fire-district-assistance.aspx>. The report also has been electronically filed with the Legislature and can be found on the Nebraska Legislature's website at <http://nebraskalegislature.gov/agencies/view.php>.

The Mutual Finance Assistance Fund was established by the Legislature in 1998 to provide aid to rural and suburban Fire Protection Districts (FPDs) and Mutual Finance Organizations (MFOs) "for the purpose of financing operational and equipment needs for fire protection, emergency response, or training."

If you have questions, please contact Char Scott, Assistant Treasurer for Treasury Management. You may reach her at 402-471-4146 or at [char.scott@nebraska.gov](mailto:char.scott@nebraska.gov). You also will find more information under the Treasury Management tab at our website, <https://treasurer.nebraska.gov/tm/rural-fire-district-assistance.aspx>.

We continue to be thankful for the service and sacrifice of the men and women who protect our communities and provide for our personal safety through these cooperative arrangements. Please share our gratitude with MFO and FPD members and volunteers in your communities.

Yours truly,

A blue ink signature of Don Stenberg.

Don Stenberg  
Nebraska State Treasurer

2017-2018 Mutual Finance Organization Report to the Legislature  
Pursuant to Neb. Rev. Stat § 35-1207(1)

<b>Total MFO Appropriated FY 2017-2018:</b>	<b>\$4,000,000</b>
<b>Actual MFO Distributed FY 2017-2018:</b>	<b>\$3,648,450</b>
<b>Total MFO funds applied for FY 2017-2018:</b>	<b>\$3,648,450</b>
<b>Transfer to General Fund pursuant to Neb. Rev. Stat § 35-1207(3):</b>	<b>\$3,648,450</b>

<b>MFO Distributions 2017-2018</b>	
Antelope	\$60,300
Arthur	\$4,620
Banner	\$7,820
Boone	\$51,700
Box Butte	\$116,350
Brown	\$28,850
Burt	\$63,950
Butler	\$77,920
Colfax	\$112,400
Custer	\$103,950
Dakota	\$218,880
Dawson	\$255,630
Gage	\$211,790
Garfield/Burwell	\$20,570
Grant/Sandhills	\$8,400
Hooker/Mullen	\$8,300
Jefferson	\$73,680
Johnson	\$51,580
Keya Paha	\$7,800
Knox	\$90,210
Lincoln	\$300,000
Logan/Stapleton	\$7,560
Madison	\$300,000
McPherson	\$4,930
Nance	\$34,280
Nemaha	\$64,580
Pawnee	\$25,390
Phelps	\$92,220

Pierce	\$64,790
Polk	\$47,290
Red Willow	\$108,710
Richardson	\$79,280
Rock	\$13,660
Saline	\$141,160
Saunders	\$203,310
Scotts Bluff	\$300,000
Seward	\$159,350
Thomas/Thedford	\$7,880
Wayne	\$119,360
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$3,648,450</b>

**ANTELOPE COUNTY MFO** - FY 17-18 MFO funds were used for communication equipment upgrades, tanker truck, Jaws of Life upgraded stabilizer kit, air tank containment system, facility upgrades, truck equipment upgrades, and nozzles.

**ARTHUR COUNTY MFO** - FY 17-18 MFO funds were used for bunker gear, hand tool kit, replacement printer, fire hoses, and strainer for AR22.

**BANNER COUNTY MFO** - FY 17-18 MFO funds were used for capital improvements, gear, and training.

**BOONE COUNTY MFO** - FY 17-18 MFO funds were used for bunker gear, self-contained breathing apparatus, quick attack equipment truck, and equipment for fire and rescue operations.

**BOX BUTTE COUNTY MFO** - FY 17-18 MFO funds were used for equipment and training.

**BROWN COUNTY MFO** - FY 17-18 MFO funds were used for capital improvements, equipment, bunker gear, and construction.

**BURT COUNTY MFO** - FY 17-18 MFO funds were used for equipment, repairs, training, and building maintenance.

**BUTLER COUNTY MFO** - FY 17-18 MFO funds were used for bunker gear, hoses, safety equipment, and training.

**COLFAX COUNTY MFO** - FY 17-18 MFO funds were used for air packs, bunker gear, fire training, and tanker truck.

**CUSTER COUNTY MFO** - FY 17-18 MFO funds were used for conversion of military truck to tankers, heating propane, insurance, air packs, bunker gear, gloves, building, grass truck and ambulance upgrades.

**DAKOTA COUNTY MFO** - FY 17-18 MFO funds were used for bunker gear, equipment, and capital improvements.

**DAWSON COUNTY MFO** - FY 17-18 MFO funds were used for bunker gear, fire hoses, pumper truck, insurance, utilities, ambulance expenses, tanker truck, radios, defibulator, vehicle maintenance, pump testing, rechargeable batteries, and air bottles.

**GAGE COUNTY MFO** - FY 17-18 MFO funds were used for handheld radios, pagers, fire helmets, bunker gear, fire hoses, training manuals, fire hydrants, pumper truck payments, grass rig, forcible entry tools, and a chainsaw.

**GARFIELD COUNTY MFO** - FY 17-18 MFO funds were used for hydraulic cot and transmission for ambulance, air packs, bunker gear, pump and pump motor, and repair and maintenance on vehicles.

**GRANT COUNTY MFO** - FY 17-18 MFO funds used for bunker gear.

**HOOPER COUNTY (Mullen) MFO** - FY 17-18 MFO funds used for bunker gear, capital improvements, ambulance purchases, salaries, and training.

**JEFFERSON COUNTY MFO** - FY 17-18 MFO funds used for oxygen bottle filler, tender truck, grass rig, pumper truck, bunker gear, and pagers.

**JOHNSON COUNTY MFO** - FY 17-18 MFO funds used for insurance, fuel, maintenance, and equipment.

**KEYA PAHA COUNTY MFO** - FY 17-18 MFO finds used for fuel and fire truck repairs.

**KNOX COUNTY MFO** - FY 17-18 MFO funds used for firefighting equipment and supplies.

**LINCOLN COUNTY MFO** - FY 17-18 MFO funds used for equipment repairs, wildland gear, radio repeater, air packs, bunker gear, radios, thermal imager, structural gear, ambulance, and grass rig.

**LOGAN COUNTY MFO** - FY 17-18 MFO funds used for ambulance hall improvements, equipment, and fire and EMT training.

**MADISON COUNTY MFO** - FY 17-18 MFO funds used for bunker gear, self-contained breathing apparatus, hand tools, hose, foam, nozzles, saws, and ventilation fans.

**MCPHERSON COUNTY MFO** - FY 17-18 MFO funds used for radio service, fire and EMT training, and fire equipment.

**NANCE COUNTY MFO** - FY 17-18 MFO funds used for equipment maintenance and replacement.

**NEMAHA COUNTY MFO** - FY 17-18 MFO funds used for insurance, fuel, equipment, and building maintenance.

**PAWNEE COUNTY MFO** - FY 17-18 MFO funds used for equipment, supplies, fuel, maintenance, and insurance.

**PHELPS COUNTY MFO** - FY 17-18 MFO funds used for bunker gear, fire truck equipment, communication equipment, travel expense for meetings, fire prevention week, equipment repairs, maintenance of fire halls, insurance, utilities, debt service, and property tax relief.

**PIERCE COUNTY MFO** - FY 17-18 MFO funds used for bunker gear, expenses, and equipment.

**POLK COUNTY MFO** - FY 17-18 MFO funds used for bunker gear, repairs, rig overhaul, self-contained breathing apparatus, fire school, Jaws of Life, fire hose, truck outfitting, grass rig generator, pagers, and radios.

**RED WILLOW COUNTY MFO** - FY 17-18 MFO funds used for equipment and salaries.

**RICHARDSON COUNTY MFO** - FY 17-18 MFO funds used for fuel, insurance, repairs, and salaries.

**ROCK COUNTY MFO** - FY 17-18 MFO funds used for maintenance, insurance, and training.

**SALINE COUNTY MFO** - FY 17-18 MFO funds used for capital improvements, equipment repair, fire suppression equipment, fire protection gear, and maintenance.

**SAUNDERS COUNTY MFO** - FY 17-18 MFO funds used for thermal imaging camera, pagers and chargers, and replaced lighting in the fire bay area.

**SCOTTS BLUFF COUNTY MFO** - FY 17-18 MFO funds used for SCBAs, 6000 PSI air compressor, wildland engine, self-contained breathing apparatus, personnel protective equipment, nozzles, hoses, and water appliances.

**SEWARD COUNTY MFO** - FY 17-18 MFO funds used for foam, air packs, bunker gear, new radios, and pagers.

**THOMAS COUNTY MFO** - FY 17-18 MFO funds used for meeting room chairs, toolboxes, storage racks, stove, refrigerator, microwave for fire meeting room, plumbing supplies, extension cords, reel cords, printer, tools, fire extinguisher for the new fire hall, safety lights, control boxes for light bars, helmets, Nomex hoods, and fire training.

**WAYNE COUNTY MFO** - FY 17-18 MFO funds used for insurance, training, maintenance, utilities, and operating expenses.