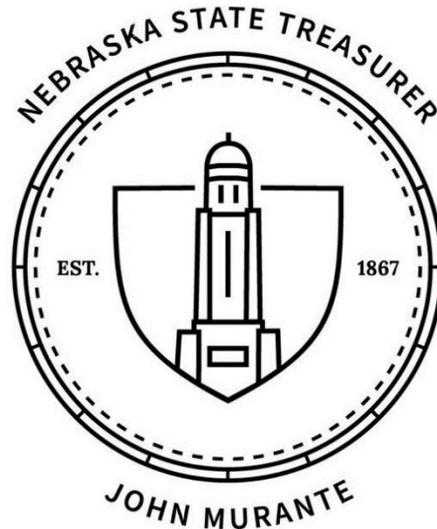


**A REPORT ON THE 2020-2021 DISTRIBUTION OF FUNDS
MUTUAL FINANCE ASSISTANCE ACT
Pursuant to Neb. Rev. Stat. § 35-1207(1)**

**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 \$3,684,010 million was distributed to Mutual Finance Organizations and Fire Protections Districts across Nebraska in Fiscal Year 2020-2021. Organizations reported most of the aid was used for equipment, maintenance, supplies, and training to protect and assist their fellow residents in communities across the state.

The use of money distributed in 2020-2021 through the Mutual Finance Assistance Fund 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>.

For background, the Mutual Finance Assistance Fund was established by the Legislature in 1998 to provide aid to rural or suburban Fire Protections Districts (FPDs) and Mutual Finance Organizations (MFOs) "for the purpose of financing operational and equipment needs for fire protection, emergency response, or training." The Treasury Management Division of the Treasurer's Office is responsible for receiving applications for these funds and disbursing the funds each year. In 2020-2021, MFOs and FPDs applied for the \$4 million appropriated and a total of \$3,684,010 was disbursed.

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

Like you, we are 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.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John Murante".

John Murante
Nebraska State Treasurer

**2020-2021 Mutual Finance Organization report to the Legislature
pursuant to Neb. Rev. Stat § 35-1207(1)**

Total MFO Appropriated FY 2020-2021:	\$4,000,000
Actual MFO Distributed FY 2020-2021:	\$3,684,010
Total MFO funds applied for FY 2020-2021:	\$3, 684,010
Transfer to General Fund pursuant to Neb. Rev. Stat § 35-1207(3):	\$3, 684,010

MFO Distributions 2020-2021	
Antelope	\$59,940
Arthur	\$4,570
Banner	\$7,290
Boone	\$50,190
Box Butte	\$111,680
Brown	\$28,530
Burt	\$62,980
Butler	\$77,320
Colfax	\$115,320
Custer	\$103,160
Dakota	\$215,960
Dawson	\$253,490
Gage	\$208,780
Garfield/Burwell	\$19,990
Grant/Sandhills	\$8,160
Hooker/Mullen	\$7,830
Jefferson	\$71,780
Johnson	\$50,260
Keya Paha	\$7,930
Knox	\$83,130
Lincoln	\$300,000
Logan/Stapleton	\$7,280
Madison	\$300,000
McPherson	\$4,940
Merrick	\$67,730
Nance	\$33,560
Nemaha	\$64,290
Pawnee	\$24,940

Phelps	\$90,160
Pierce	\$64,360
Polk	\$47,120
Red Willow	\$108,340
Richardson	\$77,290
Rock	\$13,340
Saline	\$139,550
Saunders	\$207,470
Scotts Bluff	\$300,000
Seward	\$157,650
Thomas/Thedford	\$8,700
Wayne	\$119,000
Total	\$3,684,010

ANTELOPE COUNTY MFO - FY 20-21 Capital improvements on new fire hall, two new pumper trucks, equipment truck, bunker gear and upgraded air packs.

ARTHUR COUNTY MFO - FY 20-21 Stryker power cot and loader.

BANNER COUNTY MFO - FY 20-21 Capital improvements, training, and gear.

BOONE COUNTY MFO - FY 20-21 Replacement and maintenance of equipment.

BOX BUTTE COUNTY MFO - FY 20-21 Operational, equipment needs and training.

BROWN COUNTY MFO - FY 20-21 Capital improvements, equipment purchases, and protective gear.

BURT COUNTY MFO - FY 20-21 Rescue squad equipment, bunker gear, supplies, training, utilities fuel and new truck.

BUTLER COUNTY MFO - FY 20-21 Equipment consisting of bunker gear, hose, safety equipment and training materials.

COLFAX COUNTY MFO - FY 20-21 Grass fire truck, rescue vehicle, bunker gear, trucks, and new fire hall.

CUSTER COUNTY MFO - FY 20-21 Air packs, bunker gear, hose and couplers, propane to heat fire barns, and upgrades to buildings, ambulances, and grass trucks.

DAKOTA COUNTY MFO - FY 20-21 Supplies, training, gear, repairs, insurance, fuel, salaries, equipment, training, and capital improvements.

DAWSON COUNTY MFO - FY 20-21 Equipment, radios, Grass truck, operating expenses, maintenance, repairs, new equipment, update safety equipment, training, heat camera update, insurance expenses,

computer, supplies, bunker gear, pagers, radios, building repairs, truck repairs, vehicle maintenance, Grass Rig, SCUBA gear, and new First Response/Grass truck.

GAGE COUNTY MFO – FY 20-21 Handheld radios, pagers, fire helmets, turnout gear, fire hose, training manuals, ventilation saw, pumper truck payment, grass rig, forcible entry tools, flashlights fire nozzles and self-contained breathing apparatus.

GARFIELD COUNTY MFO - FY 20-21 Ferno hydraulic cot for the ambulance.

GRANT COUNTY MFO – FY 20-21 Protective gear.

HOOKER COUNTY MFO - FY 20-21 Protective gear, equipment, and training.

JEFFERSON COUNTY MFO - FY 20-21 New pumper trucks, fire hall addition, ambulance, ladder truck, and used pumper truck.

JOHNSON COUNTY MFO - -FY 20-21 Insurance, fuel, maintenance, and equipment.

KEYA PAHA COUNTY MFO - FY 20-21 Purchase of fuel and repairs for fire trucks.

KNOX COUNTY MFO - FY 20-21 Firefighting equipment, training, and supplies.

LINCOLN COUNTY MFO - FY 20-21 Two fire engines, grass trucks, equipment repairs, wildland gear, water appliances, hose, air packs, tires, tanker, structural gear, radios, fire hall, flares, pumper truck, generator, boots, SCBA, washer extractor, appliances, and power load cot.

LOGAN COUNTY MFO - FY 20-21 Jaws and general expenses.

MADISON COUNTY MFO - FY 20-21 Self-contained breathing apparatus, bunker gear, hose, nozzles, rescue supplies, hand tools, Haz-mat equipment, radio equipment, trainings props, and firefighting foam.

MCPHERSON COUNTY MFO - FY 20-21 Radio service, fire and EMT training and purchase of fire and ambulance equipment.

MERRICK COUNTY MFO – Bunker gear, quick attack fire engine, command vehicle, radios, helmets, Lucas board, pagers, and repeater radio.

NANCE COUNTY MFO - FY 20-21 Replacement and maintenance of equipment.

NEMAHA COUNTY MFO - FY 20-21 Insurance, utilities, building maintenance, equipment, fuel, and equipment maintenance

PAWNEE COUNTY MFO - FY 20-21 Supplies, fuel, maintenance, equipment, insurance, and repairs.

PHELPS COUNTY MFO - FY 20-21 Fire protective gear, fire truck equipment, communication equipment, travel expenses, fire prevention week materials, repairs to equipment, maintenance of fire halls, insurance utilities, debt service and property tax relief.

PIERCE COUNTY MFO - FY 20-21 Bunker gear, pump repairs, updated cascade system, overhaul grass rig, and installation of a new extractor.

POLK COUNTY MFO - FY 20-21 Bunker gear, radios, PPE, cot, hose, skid updates, batteries, pagers, and filing cabinet.

RED WILLOW COUNTY MFO - FY 20-21 Annual ambulance payment, apparatus maintenance, EMT tuition and books, medical supplies, salaries, jaws of life tools, and skid unit poly tank.

RICHARDSON COUNTY MFO - FY 20-21 Salaries, fuel, insurance, repairs, worker's comp insurance, utilities, fire building expenses, propane, and CPA fees

ROCK COUNTY MFO - FY 20-21 Training, hoses, pumpers, radios, protection gear, repairs, and upgrades.

SALINE COUNTY MFO - FY 20-21 Fire truck payments, firefighter protection gear, equipment, capital improvements and payments, and training exercises expenses.

SAUNDERS COUNTY MFO - FY 20-21 Apparatus payments, radios, life insurance, water tower improvements, bunker gear, wildland fire gear, pike poles, roof platform, hose storage rack, cascade, incident lights, outfit equipment on new fire apparatus, chainsaws, hand tools for grass rig, new pump and tank unit, apparatus emergency lights and siren.

SCOTTS BLUFF COUNTY MFO - FY 20-21 New apparatus, capital improvements, PPE equipment, fire hose, fire nozzles, rescue equipment, dive equipment, construction costs for a new fire station, new tender, and a new fire truck.

SEWARD COUNTY MFO - FY 20-21 Radios, extraction equipment, bunker gear, foam, pagers, and lighting air bags.

THOMAS COUNTY MFO - FY 20-21 Fire equipment.

WAYNE COUNTY MFO - FY 20-21 Air pack maintenance, bunker gear, fuel, utilities, insurance, training, ambulance, and radios.