



**California Fire Safe Council (CFSC)
Grants Clearinghouse 2019 Competitive Grants Program
Frequently Asked Questions**

What are the dates for the 2019 Grants Program?

April 24, 2019	Grant Program Opens. Solicitation of Applications.
June 5, 2019	Application Submission Deadline (5:00 p.m. PST)
August 2019	Grant Awards Announced
September 2019	Pre-Award and Risk Assessment period for
October 2019	Anticipated Project Start Date
October 2021	Anticipated Project End Date

How much funding is available?

CFSC has approximately \$2,000,000 available for 2019 SFA wildfire prevention projects.

How much can I request in funding?

Applicants can request up to 2 applications and \$200,000 per application. Total grant award will not exceed \$200,000.

What are the limits for funding request for fiscal sponsors?

Fiscal sponsors may submit 2 applications and receive up to \$200,000 for themselves plus be awarded up to \$100,000 each for sponsoring organizations (up to 3 organizations total). To illustrate this, if a fiscal sponsor is sponsoring 3 organizations each asking for \$100,000, then all three may be funded, for a total of \$300,000 plus up to \$200,00 for their own request. So a fiscal sponsor can potentially be awarded up to \$500,000.

Is there a match requirement?

Yes, the minimum applicant cost share is 100% of the federal grant amount, but can be more. The applicant's matching contribution must come from non-federal sources, and can include cash and/or third-party in-kind contributions. So for example, a \$200,00 grant request must be matched with \$200,000 or more from the applicant and cooperators.

We encourage applicants to utilize their Cal Fire 2018-19 Community Wildfire Prevention Program (CWPP) grants and Cal Fire 2018-19 California Climate Investment (CCI) Program grants as matching contributions for the CFSC 19 SFA grant program if the objectives of the CFSC 19 SFA grant application are included within the scope and the active dates of the Cal Fire grant.

For more information on match and in-kind, please read the RFA and Handbook, available at <https://cafiresafecouncil.org/grants-clearinghouse/2019-grant-program/>

What is the grant performance period?

The grant performance period is 24 months. Grant funds cannot be expended after the termination date.

Projects are anticipated to begin in October 2019 and end in October 2021.

What types of projects are eligible?

Funds should be utilized for hazard mitigation competitive grants in the following categories:

- **Community Hazard Mitigation Planning** CWPP's, Firewise assessments, hazard assessments and similar types of plans
- **Prevention and Mitigation Education** Outreach, mailings, workshops, events, PSA's and other education programs
- **Fuel Hazard Mitigation** Vegetation treatments such as chipping, thinning, burning, grazing, and mastication

How do I apply?

To start an application, go to <https://cafiresafecouncil.org/zoomgrantslogin/> and enter your login credentials. If you are a new user, create a free account through the prompts provided. You will be prompted to answer three security questions before you begin an application.

Once you have logged in, select "Apply" on the 2019 SFA grant program icon. A new application will automatically open and then select "Start a New Application" to pull the application into your account.

Who can I contact for more information?

More information is available on our website <http://www.cafiresafecouncil.org/2019-grant-program/> or by calling Amber Gardner at (916) 256-3337