

JPIA RISK CONTROL GRANT PROGRAM

The Risk Control Grant Program is designed to reinforce strategic risk management directions and re-energize the loss reduction efforts of the JPIA members.

Employee training has been proven to increase productivity and morale.



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The best way to control losses is to prevent them.



Grant Program Purpose

To promote the implementation of best practices that will prevent or mitigate losses in the JPIA's Liability, Property, and Workers' Compensation Programs. The historical loss areas for these programs serve as the foundation for the best practices in the JPIA's Commitment to Excellence Program. The Grant Program will incentivize members to renew their Commitment to Excellence and review best practices applicable to their operations.

JPIA members are eligible for a grant up to \$10,000 to fund their risk management and safety program projects or equipment. This is accomplished by funding specific one-time, non-routine risk management or loss control programs or activities that are intended to address those risks.

Members should refer to the Risk Control Grant Program Description for guidance as to projects that are likely to merit a funding request.

Eligibility

The member's eligibility to participate in the Grant Program includes:

- A member must have a signed Commitment to Excellence Agreement in place and it must accompany the grant documents.
- A member must participate in at least two JPIA pooled programs.
- Members may submit one Risk Control Grant Application per Grant Program cycle. A program cycle is October 1 – December 1 of each JPIA fiscal year.
- Members awarded a Risk Control Grant must wait a minimum of one year to apply again.

Grant Program: Commitment to Excellence Categories:

Infrastructure-Wildfire

- Emergency plan for wildfire
- Emergency equipment/supplies
- Communication equipment

Vehicle Operations

- Vehicle equipment such as emergency strobes, high visibility stripes
- Vehicle telemetries-GPS tracking
- Smith System Train-the-Trainer or similar systems

Water Lines Failure

- Valve exercise/flushing program
- Emergency response trailer
- Underground line locating equipment and training
- Fire hydrant check valve/flapper valve
- Condition Assessment Study/Water Leak Study
- Cathodic protection

Ergonomics Program

- Ergonomic evaluations
- Ergonomic equipment purchase
- Mobile workstation for trucks

Employment Practices

- Specialized trainer (Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion; Change Management; Communication/Conflict Resolution)
- HR software to track performance and document employee actions.
- Conduct engagement survey with resultant follow-up activities.

Award Criteria

- Defined scope, process, or performance objective(s) with solutions having a high probability of reducing loss exposure(s).
- Project or program has a results-oriented impact that is measurable and identifiable.
- Utilization of the Hierarchy of Controls.

Priority will be given to grant applications that apply grant program funds to a JPIA Commitment to Excellence Program category consistent with their pooled program participation.

Grant funds will be distributed on a first approved basis. Small, medium, and large districts will receive two awards respectively, the remaining four awards will be merit based.

Application and Reimbursement of Expenditures

Grant funds will be paid as reimbursements or initial investments for costs incurred within the scope of the project. To receive grant funding, the Grant Program request form must be submitted for projects *initiated and completed within the fiscal year (10/3/23 – 9/30/24)*.