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VOLUNTEER RESCUE/ EMS FUND

REPORT FOR THE
N.C. GENERAL ASSEMBLY



NC DEPARTMENT OF
INSURANCE
OFFICE OF STATE FIRE MARSHAL

MIKE CAUSEY, INSURANCE COMMISSIONER & STATE FIRE MARSHAL



MIKE CAUSEY
INSURANCE COMMISSIONER

December 15, 2022

Dear Member of the General Assembly,

Pursuant to General Statutes 58-87-5, the following report, regarding the Volunteer Rescue/ EMS Fund, administered by the NC Department of Insurance, is provided for your review.

The General Assembly has my gratitude for its continued commitment to supporting the volunteer fire and rescue/ EMS departments throughout our state. The equipment and capital improvements purchased through this program are vital to enabling fire and rescue/ EMS departments to protect their communities and better equip these departments to respond quickly and effectively when the need arises.

I thank you for allowing the Office of State Fire Marshal (OSFM) to administer such a vital and important program.

With kindest regards,

Mike Causey
Insurance Commissioner
State Fire Marshal

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VOLUNTEER RESCUE/EMS FUND

Under N.C.G.S. 58-87-5, this funding opportunity was created through the Department of Insurance to provide Rescue/EMS grants to volunteer rescue units, rescue/EMS units, EMS units that are volunteer fire departments that are part of a county's EMS system plan, and EMS units providing rescue or rescue and emergency medical services to purchase equipment and make capital improvements. The State Treasurer shall invest the Fund's assets according to law, and the earnings shall remain in the Fund. On December 15, or on the first business day following December 15, if December 15 falls on a weekend or a holiday, of each year, the Department of Insurance shall make grants to eligible departments subject to all the following limitations:

1. A grant to an applicant who is required to match the grant with non-State funds may not exceed twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000), and a grant to an applicant who is not required to match the grant with non-State funds may not exceed three thousand dollars (\$3,000).
2. An applicant whose liquid assets, when combined with the liquid assets of any corporate affiliate or subsidiary of the applicant, are more than one thousand dollars (\$1,000) shall match the grant on a dollar-for-dollar basis with non-State funds.
3. The grant may be used only for equipment purchases or capital expenditures.
4. An applicant may receive no more than one grant per fiscal year.
5. The grant may be used only for purposes related to services that the department is authorized to provide.

A Rescue/EMS department is eligible for a grant through this fund if:

1. It consists entirely of volunteer members, with the exception that the department may have paid members to fill the equivalent of 10 full-time paid positions.
2. It has been recognized by the Department of Insurance as a rescue department, a rescue/EMS unit, or an EMS unit.
3. The Rescue/EMS department must meet the eligibility criteria of the NC Association of Rescue & EMS (NCAREMS) and/or NC Office of Emergency Medical Services (NC OEMS).
4. County recognizes Rescue/EMS department as providing rescue or rescue/EMS or EMS.
5. Rescue/EMS department must be certified by the Office of Emergency Medical Services to request ALS equipment.

The major emphasis of this program is Rescue/EMS safety. Rescue/EMS safety equipment receives the highest priority. Requests for vehicles and capital expenditures are also considered. Each application is reviewed and scored using a non-subjective point system. The point system is based on each aspect of an application's per capita income, number and age of vehicles (only if requesting a vehicle), whether the department is all volunteer or paid personnel, financial status and the type of equipment requested.

Every eligible rescue/EMS unit in North Carolina was notified of the online application and a detailed letter of instruction was emailed on August 1, 2022. Online applications were accepted through October 1, 2022.

There were 197 applications received for evaluation, of these 161 Rescue/EMS departments received matching funds through the Volunteer Rescue/EMS Fund. There were 118 applications withdrawn, disqualified, or incomplete.

- Requested Funding \$2,911,946.00 (Approved and Non-Approved Applications)
- Available Funding \$2,368,119.00
- Approved Funding \$2,368,119.00

Approved funding includes two departments that submitted an application but subsequently corrected the application and were awarded.

Attached to this report you will find a list of approved departments by county, along with the amounts they were awarded.

All Rescue/EMS departments submitting a Volunteer Rescue/EMS Department Fund applications were notified by email of their approved or non-approved status on December 15, 2022.

Approved Rescue/EMS departments are presently purchasing and receiving their approved equipment. Upon delivery of their equipment, they will upload their documentation (invoices and proof of payments) for reimbursement. The deadline for submitting this information to the Department of Insurance is April 30, 2023.

The checks are delivered by mail or electronic transfer funds will be deposited to each approved Rescue/EMS department once all grant requirements are met. The equipment purchased through this grant must remain in the possession of the department for a minimum of five years and is subject to inspection or audit by our inspections staff.

GRANTS AWARDED		\$2,368,119
Fund Balance at beginning of Grant Cycle	11/1/2021	\$1,651,103
Cash Receipts through Grant Cycle	11/1/2021 – 10/31/2022	\$1,557,102
Cash Disbursements through Grant Cycle	11/1/2021 – 10/31/2022	\$837,607
Fund Balance at the End of Grant Cycle	10/31/2022	\$2,370,604

For the Volunteer Rescue/EMS Fund, N.C.G.S. 58-87-5 requires grants to be awarded on December 15. As a result, the grant cycle usually runs November 1 through October 31 each year. In 2021, the start of the grant cycle was November 1, making the grant year 11/1/2021 to 10/31/2022. In 2021, November 1 again was used as the start of the grant cycle for the 2021 Grant Year, but the grant cycle will end on October 31 to return to the usual grant cycle.

N.C.G.S 58-87-5 requires this report to be filed with the legislatures within 60 days of awarding the grants which is before the grant cycle for the awards has ended. Because of this we think it is appropriate to report the beginning fund balance, cash receipts, cash disbursements and ending fund balance for the previous grant cycle (and the ending fund balance would be the beginning balance for the new grant cycle).

2022 VOLUNTEER RESCUE/EMS FUND APPROVED APPLICATIONS BY COUNTY

DEPARTMENT	FDID	REQUESTED	APPROVED
Alamance			
Alamance County Rescue Squad	00150	24,679.44	24,679.44
County Totals:	1	24,679.44	24,679.44
Alexander			
Alexander Rescue Squad & E.M.S., Inc.	00250	12,325.00	12,325.00
Bethlehem Community Fire & Rescue, Inc.	00201	17,293.50	17,293.50
Hiddenite Fire Department, Inc.	00203	15,060.00	15,060.00
Stony Point Volunteer Fire Department, Inc.	00204	11,746.75	11,746.75
County Totals:	4	56,425.25	56,425.25
Alleghany			
Alleghany County Rescue Squad, Inc.	00350	23,004.00	23,004.00
County Totals:	1	23,004.00	23,004.00
Anson			
Ansonville Volunteer Fire Department, Inc.	00401	6,632.58	6,632.58
Burnsville Fire and Rescue Ambulance Service, Inc.	00402	15,000.00	15,000.00
County Totals:	2	21,632.58	21,632.58
Ashe			
Ashe County Rescue Squad, Inc.	00550	25,000.00	25,000.00
Fleetwood Volunteer Fire and Rescue Department, Inc.	00507	8,097.38	8,097.38
New River Volunteer Fire and Rescue Department, Inc.	00510	21,489.36	21,489.36
Warrensville Volunteer Fire and Rescue Department, Inc.	00504	11,985.00	11,985.00
County Totals:	4	66,571.74	66,571.74
Avery			
Elk Park Volunteer Fire Department, Inc.	00607	9,882.92	9,882.92
Linville Volunteer Fire Department, Inc.	00606	7,742.50	7,742.50
Linville-Central Rescue Squad, Inc.	00651	22,097.50	22,097.50
County Totals:	3	39,722.92	39,722.92
Beaufort			
Pinetown Rescue Squad & Emergency Medical Services	00755	25,000.00	25,000.00
County Totals:	1	25,000.00	25,000.00
Brunswick			
Brunswick Search & Rescue	01061	1,500.00	1,500.00
County Totals:	1	1,500.00	1,500.00

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Burke			
Brendletown Fire Protection and Rescue Association, Inc.	01275	23,855.50	23,855.50
George Hildebran Fire and Rescue Department Inc.	01273	3,102.50	3,102.50
Salem Community Fire and Rescue Protection Association, Inc	01274	12,426.94	12,426.94
Triple Community Fire Department, Inc.	01267	1,675.00	1,675.00
County Totals:	4	41,059.94	41,059.94
Cabarrus			
North East Cabarrus Volunteer Fire Department & Community Center, Inc.	01313	24,061.25	24,061.25
County Totals:	1	24,061.25	24,061.25
Caldwell			
Collettsville Volunteer Fire and Rescue Department, Inc.	01401	10,025.00	10,025.00
King's Creek Volunteer Fire Department, Inc.	01406	7,373.21	7,373.21
Little River Fire Department, Inc.	01408	23,369.90	23,369.90
Patterson Fire-Rescue Department Inc.	01410	12,700.00	12,700.00
Valmead Volunteer Fire-Rescue Department, Inc.	01412	10,050.00	10,050.00
County Totals:	5	63,518.11	63,518.11
Catawba			
Catawba Rescue Squad, Inc.	01850	25,000.00	25,000.00
Claremont Rescue Squad, Inc.	01852	23,025.94	23,025.94
Maiden Rescue Squad, Inc.	01854	25,000.00	25,000.00
County Totals:	3	73,025.94	73,025.94
Cherokee			
Hiwassee Dam Volunteer Fire Department, Inc.	02006	7,545.50	7,545.50
Valleytown Rural Fire and Rescue Department	02005	25,000.00	25,000.00
County Totals:	2	32,545.50	32,545.50
Cleveland			
Fallston Community Volunteer Fire Department, Inc.	02308	4,637.73	4,637.73
County Totals:	1	4,637.73	4,637.73
Columbus			
Cerro Gordo Volunteer Fire Department and Rescue Squad	02405	23,150.09	23,150.09
County Totals:	1	23,150.09	23,150.09
Craven			
No. 9 Township Fire & Rescue	02509	4,997.50	4,997.50
County Totals:	1	4,997.50	4,997.50
Dare			
Hatteras Island Rescue Squad, Inc.	02851	18,170.00	18,170.00
County Totals:	1	18,170.00	18,170.00

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Davie			
Center Volunteer Fire Department, Inc.	03013	25,000.00	25,000.00
Cornatzer-Dulin Volunteer Fire Department, Inc.	03019	12,810.00	12,810.00
County Line Volunteer Fire Department, Inc.	03018	21,396.88	21,396.88
The Davie Rescue Squad, Inc.	03050	25,000.00	25,000.00
The Farmington Volunteer Fire Department, Inc.	03023	11,725.00	11,725.00
County Totals:	5	95,931.88	95,931.88
Duplin			
Chinquapin Volunteer Fire and Rescue Squad, Inc.	03104	7,866.82	7,866.82
Faison Fire and Rescue, Inc.	03106	24,678.50	24,678.50
Pleasant Grove Volunteer Fire & EMS Department	03111	2,000.00	2,000.00
County Totals:	3	34,545.32	34,545.32
Forsyth			
Mineral Springs Volunteer Fire and Rescue, Inc.	03410	475.12	475.12
County Totals:	1	475.12	475.12
Franklin			
Pilot Fire Department, Inc	03509	6,079.50	6,079.50
Youngsville Rescue & EMS	03558	25,000.00	25,000.00
County Totals:	2	31,079.50	31,079.50
Granville			
Stem Community Fire Department and Ems, Inc.	03911	12,297.50	12,297.50
County Totals:	1	12,297.50	12,297.50
Greene			
Fort Run Rural Fire & Ems Association Inc.	04005	6,250.00	6,250.00
Maury Volunteer Fire and Rescue Association, Inc.	04007	25,000.00	25,000.00
County Totals:	2	31,250.00	31,250.00
Guilford			
Guilford County Association of Scuba Personnel	04150	21,852.37	21,852.37
County Totals:	1	21,852.37	21,852.37
Halifax			
The Roanoke Valley Rescue Squad, Inc.	04254	25,000.00	25,000.00
County Totals:	1	25,000.00	25,000.00
Haywood			
Cruso Volunteer Fire Department	04412	18,842.00	18,842.00
North Canton United Fire Department, Incorporated	04409	943.33	943.33
County Totals:	2	19,785.33	19,785.33
Henderson			
Gerton Volunteer Fire Department and Rescue, Inc.	04511	6,190.00	6,190.00
County Totals:	1	6,190.00	6,190.00
Hoke			
Hoke County Rescue Squad, Incorporated	04750	15,100.00	15,100.00
County Totals:	1	15,100.00	15,100.00

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Iredell			
North Iredell Rescue Squad, Inc.	04955	18,693.50	18,693.50
Trinity Volunteer Fire Department, Inc.	04910	23,500.00	23,500.00
County Totals:	2	42,193.50	42,193.50
Jackson			
Canada Volunteer Fire Department	05004	10,900.00	10,900.00
Qualla Volunteer Fire & Rescue Department, Incorporated	05007	7,775.99	7,775.99
Savannah Volunteer Fire Department	05005	10,000.00	10,000.00
County Totals:	3	28,675.99	28,675.99
Johnston			
Micro Volunteer Fire Department, Inc.	05116	2,925.00	2,925.00
County Totals:	1	2,925.00	2,925.00
Jones			
Comfort Emergency Medical Services, Inc.	05250	7,838.84	7,838.84
Maysville Fire and EMS, INC.	05203	25,000.00	25,000.00
Phillips Crossroad Emergency Services, Inc.	05252	2,814.37	2,814.37
Pollocksville Emergency Services	05253	22,501.08	22,501.08
Trenton Emergency Medical Services, Inc.	05254	5,066.50	5,066.50
County Totals:	5	63,220.79	63,220.79
Lenoir			
Hugo Volunteer Fire Department and Rescue, Inc.	05432	19,665.10	19,665.10
Pink Hill Fire Department	05421	4,012.50	4,012.50
County Totals:	2	23,677.60	23,677.60
Macon			
Clarks Chapel Fire and Rescue Department, Inc.	05701	19,300.00	19,300.00
Cullasaja Gorge Fire and Rescue, Inc.	05706	6,367.18	6,367.18
Nantahala Volunteer Fire and Rescue, Inc.	05710	20,051.19	20,051.19
Sky Valley - Scaly Mountain Volunteer Fire and Rescue Department Inc.	05709	2,962.50	2,962.50
County Totals:	4	48,680.87	48,680.87
Madison			
Ebbs Chapel Volunteer Fire Department, Inc.	05807	7,037.37	7,037.37
Spring Creek Volunteer Fire Department, Inc.	05804	4,426.05	4,426.05
County Totals:	2	11,463.42	11,463.42
Martin			
Oak City Rescue Squad, Inc.	05953	7,427.50	7,427.50
Robersonville Rescue Squad & Emergency Medical Ser	05954	11,543.00	11,543.00
County Totals:	2	18,970.50	18,970.50
McDowell			
Sugar Hill-Montford Cove Volunteer Fire Department, Inc.	05609	9,000.00	9,000.00
County Totals:	1	9,000.00	9,000.00

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Mitchell			
Fork Mountain Volunteer Fire and Rescue, Inc.	06109	5,144.41	5,144.41
Parkway Fire & Rescue, Inc.	06111	24,827.00	24,827.00
Spruce Pine Fire and Rescue Squad, Inc.	06105	24,997.17	24,997.17
County Totals:	3	54,968.58	54,968.58
Montgomery			
Montgomery Co. Rescue Squad, Inc.	06250	24,937.40	24,937.40
County Totals:	1	24,937.40	24,937.40
Nash			
Bailey Fire Department, Green Hornet Fire District, Inc.	06401	14,262.50	14,262.50
Coopers Volunteer Fire Department and Rescue Squad, Inc.	06404	17,586.50	17,586.50
Momeyer Volunteer Fire-Rescue, Inc.	06417	7,517.50	7,517.50
County Totals:	3	39,366.50	39,366.50
Northampton			
Gaston Vol. Rescue Squad, Inc.	06650	25,000.00	25,000.00
Gaston Volunteer Fire Department, Inc.	06602	25,000.00	25,000.00
County Totals:	2	50,000.00	50,000.00
Onslow			
Holly Ridge Volunteer Fire & Rescue Department, Inc.	06707	10,900.00	10,900.00
Pumpkin Center Volunteer Fire Department, Inc.	06712	25,000.00	25,000.00
Turkey Creek Fire and Rescue, Inc.	06718	22,500.00	22,500.00
County Totals:	3	58,400.00	58,400.00
Orange			
South Orange Rescue Squad, Inc.	06857	25,000.00	25,000.00
County Totals:	1	25,000.00	25,000.00
Pender			
Union Rescue Squad, Inc.	07155	14,125.00	14,125.00
County Totals:	1	14,125.00	14,125.00
Person			
Roxboro-Person County Rescue Squad, Inc.	07350	14,837.00	14,837.00
County Totals:	1	14,837.00	14,837.00
Polk			
Polk County Rescue Squad, Inc.	07550	25,000.00	25,000.00
County Totals:	1	25,000.00	25,000.00
Randolph			
Coleridge Volunteer Fire Department, Inc.	07602	4,964.77	4,964.77
Farmer Volunteer Fire Department, Inc.	07604	23,012.50	23,012.50
County Totals:	2	27,977.27	27,977.27

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Richmond			
Hamlet Rescue & Emergency Medical Services, Inc.	07753	25,000.00	25,000.00
Hoffman Fire Department and Rescue Squad, Inc.	07705	8,350.00	8,350.00
Richmond County Rescue Squad	07750	4,528.76	4,528.76
County Totals:	3	37,878.76	37,878.76
Robeson			
Deep Branch Fire/Rescue Inc.	07804	25,000.00	25,000.00
Parkton Fire and Rescue, Inc	07813	12,525.00	12,525.00
Prospect Volunteer Fire Department, Inc.	07815	21,750.00	21,750.00
Red Springs Rescue Squad, Inc.	07855	13,726.49	13,726.49
Rowland Rescue Squad, Inc.	07858	4,855.50	4,855.50
South Robeson Rescue Unit, Inc.	07859	5,076.50	5,076.50
St. Pauls Fire Department	07830	5,250.00	5,250.00
County Totals:	7	88,183.49	88,183.49
Rockingham			
Eden Rescue Squad, Inc.	07951	25,000.00	25,000.00
Madison-Rockingham Rescue Squad, Inc.	07952	12,458.11	12,458.11
Reidsville Rescue Squad, Inc.	07953	9,800.00	9,800.00
Williamsburg Fire Department and Rescue, Incorporated	07913	20,707.22	20,707.22
County Totals:	4	67,965.33	67,965.33
Rowan			
Scotch-Irish Fire Department, Incorporated	08073	8,000.00	8,000.00
Woodleaf Volunteer Fire Department, Inc.	08077	11,430.00	11,430.00
County Totals:	2	19,430.00	19,430.00
Sampson			
Clement Volunteer Fire Department, Inc.	08202	25,000.00	25,000.00
Clinton-Sampson Rescue And E.M.S., Inc.	08250	10,556.06	10,556.06
Garland Volunteer Fire & Rescue Department, Inc.	08204	14,462.50	14,462.50
Harrells Volunteer Fire Department, Inc.	08206	13,703.58	13,703.58
Plain View Volunteer Fire Department, Inc.	08208	5,120.00	5,120.00
Salemburg Volunteer Fire Dept., Inc.	08210	5,164.53	5,164.53
Spivey's Corner Volunteer Fire Department, Inc.	08211	11,326.00	11,326.00
Taylor's Bridge Fire Department	08216	21,719.92	21,719.92
Vann Crossroads Fire Department, Inc.	08213	5,415.00	5,415.00
County Totals:	9	112,467.59	112,467.59
Scotland			
Scotland County Rescue Squad, Inc.	08350	25,000.00	25,000.00
County Totals:	1	25,000.00	25,000.00

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Stanly			
Aquadale Rural Volunteer Fire Department, Inc.	08402	9,000.00	9,000.00
East Side Volunteer Fire Department, Incorporated	08407	24,946.59	24,946.59
Millingport Volunteer Fire Department, Inc.	08410	25,000.00	25,000.00
Ridgecrest Volunteer Fire Department, Inc.	08415	19,875.00	19,875.00
South Side Volunteer Fire Department, Incorporated	08417	7,147.80	7,147.80
County Totals:	5	85,969.39	85,969.39
Stokes			
Double Creek Volunteer Fire Department, Inc.	08511	9,463.50	9,463.50
Francisco Volunteer Fire Department, Inc.	08502	20,084.12	20,084.12
Lawsonville Volunteer Fire & Rescue, Inc.	08504	24,879.75	24,879.75
Northeast Stokes Volunteer Fire Department and Rescue Squad, Incorporated	08505	12,428.51	12,428.51
South Stokes Volunteer Fire Department	08508	5,703.61	5,703.61
Stokes-Rockingham Volunteer Fire Department and Rescue Squad, Inc.	08509	3,338.50	3,338.50
County Totals:	6	75,897.99	75,897.99
Surry			
C. C. Camp Volunteer Fire Department, Inc.	08665	2,200.00	2,200.00
Dobson Rescue Squad, Inc.	08651	12,347.50	12,347.50
Mount Airy Rescue Squad, Inc.	08653	25,000.00	25,000.00
Mountain Park Rescue Squad, Inc.	08656	5,387.50	5,387.50
Pilot Mountain Rescue And E.M.S., Inc.	08654	7,635.90	7,635.90
Skull Camp Volunteer Fire Department, Incorporated	08672	25,000.00	25,000.00
Westfield Volunteer Fire Department, Inc.	08673	10,117.32	10,117.32
County Totals:	7	87,688.22	87,688.22
Swain			
Swain County Rescue Squad	08750	19,433.27	19,433.27
County Totals:	1	19,433.27	19,433.27
Transylvania			
Cedar Mountain Volunteer Fire Rescue, Inc.	08812	7,500.00	7,500.00
County Totals:	1	7,500.00	7,500.00
Warren			
Warrenton Rural Voluntary Fire Association, Inc.	09311	22,500.00	22,500.00
County Totals:	1	22,500.00	22,500.00
Watauga			
Beaver Dam Volunteer Fire Department of Watauga County, Inc.	09509	25,000.00	25,000.00
Cove Creek Volunteer Fire Department, Inc.	09504	23,577.60	23,577.60
Watauga County Emergency & Rescue Squad, Inc.	09550	19,101.07	19,101.07
County Totals:	3	67,678.67	67,678.67

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Wilkes			
Broadway Fire Department, Inc.	09703	16,000.00	16,000.00
Mulberry-Fairplains Volunteer Fire Department, Inc.	09711	24,950.00	24,950.00
Ronda Community Volunteer Fire Department, Inc.	09715	24,623.44	24,623.44
Traphill Volunteer Fire Department, Inc.	09717	4,375.00	4,375.00
Wilkes Rescue Squad, Inc.	09750	24,718.53	24,718.53
County Totals:	5	94,666.97	94,666.97
Wilson			
Rock Ridge Fire Department, Inc.	09809	2,887.00	2,887.00
County Totals:	1	2,887.00	2,887.00
Yadkin			
Arlington Fire and Rescue, Inc.	09916	19,256.00	19,256.00
Buck Shoals Volunteer Fire Department, Inc.	09921	7,350.00	7,350.00
East Bend Volunteer Fire Department, Inc.	09914	4,207.50	4,207.50
Forbush Volunteer Fire Department, Inc.	09911	11,025.00	11,025.00
The Boonville Community Volunteer Fire Department, Inc.	09913	24,999.90	24,999.90
West Yadkin Volunteer Fire Dept., Inc.	09918	8,790.50	8,790.50
Yadkin County Rescue Squad & E.M.S., Inc.	09950	25,000.00	25,000.00
County Totals:	7	100,628.90	100,628.90
Yancey			
Newdale Volunteer Fire Department, Inc.	10012	9,095.00	9,095.00
Yancey County Rescue Squad	10050	22,620.08	22,620.08
County Totals:	2	31,715.08	31,715.08
161			
Grand Totals			
Total # Approved:		161	
Final Totals:		\$2,368,119.09	\$2,368,119.09