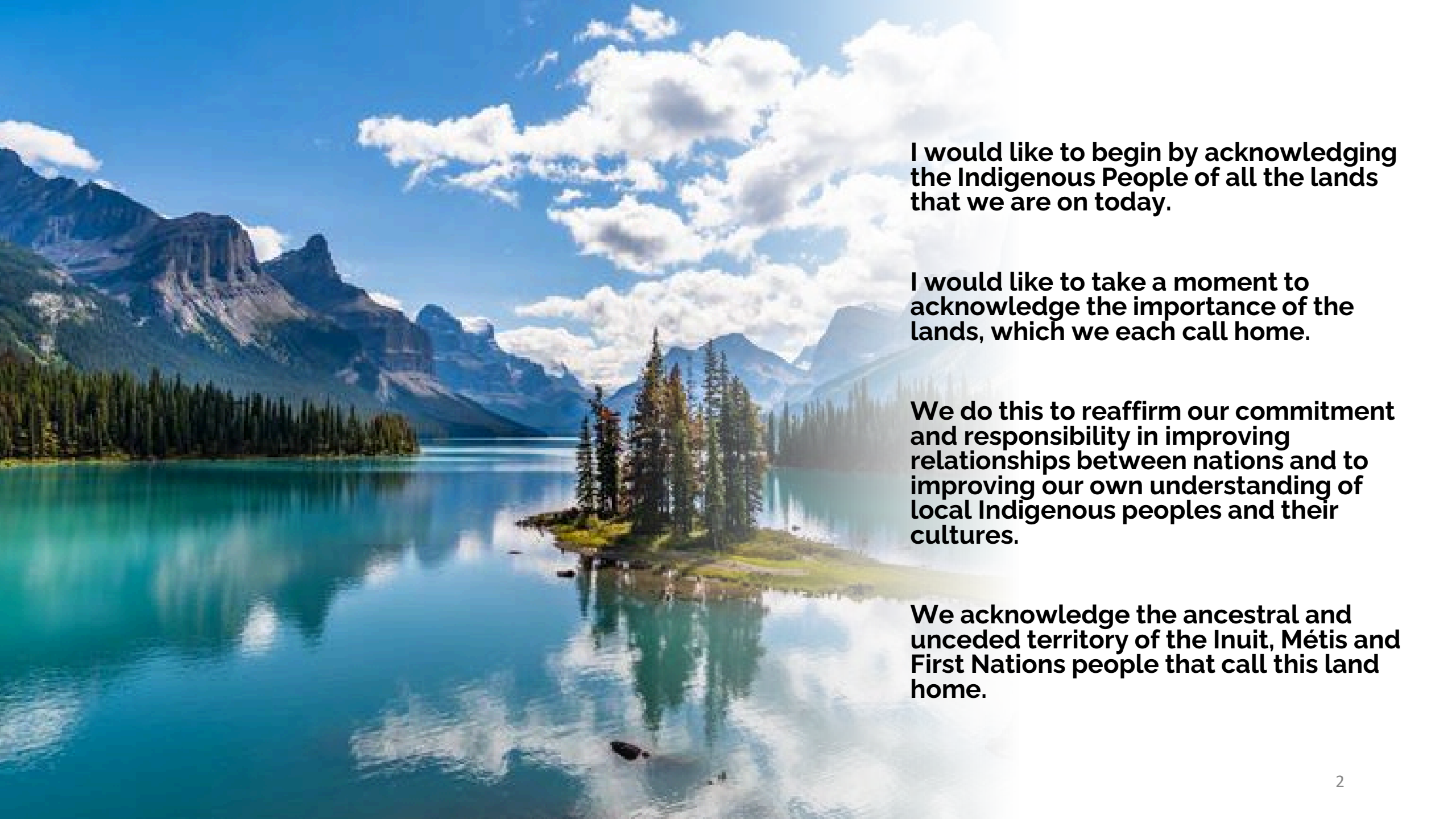




Office of the Fire Marshal

Fire Protection Grant: Year 2
Town Hall



I would like to begin by acknowledging the Indigenous People of all the lands that we are on today.

I would like to take a moment to acknowledge the importance of the lands, which we each call home.

We do this to reaffirm our commitment and responsibility in improving relationships between nations and to improving our own understanding of local Indigenous peoples and their cultures.

We acknowledge the ancestral and unceded territory of the Inuit, Métis and First Nations people that call this land home.

Year 2 Highlights

- \$20M available in funding for Year 2
- Application window is now open and will close September 30th, 2025
- Funding must be earmarked for initiatives by March 31, 2026



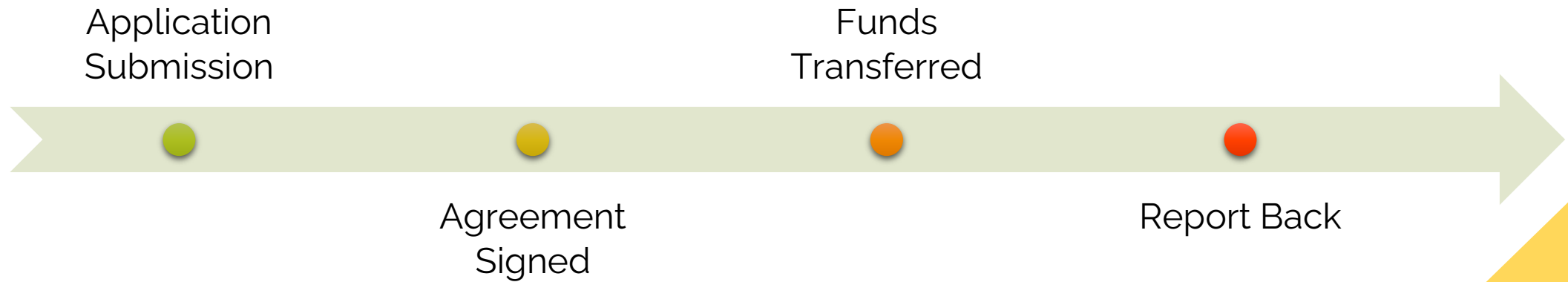
Eligibility

- Targeted to municipalities who have established a fire department (as defined in FPPA)
- Applicable for new and existing initiatives addressing firefighter health and safety and related infrastructure and lithium-ion incident response



Transfer Payment Ontario (TPON)

The full application process will be conducted through the Ontario TPON portal including:



Key Buckets

Cancer Prevention:
Equipment and
Supplies

Cancer Prevention:
PPE

Cancer Prevention:
Minor
Infrastructure

Technology:
Minor
Infrastructure

Lithium-Ion
Incident Response:
Equipment and
Supplies



Cancer Prevention

Equipment and Supplies

- Field Decontamination Equipment
- Equipment for Respiratory Protection Program
 - Fit Test equipment

**Please see the
Section 21 Cancer Prevention
Checklist
for more ideas!**

Note: Equipment includes items that do not require installation/renovations



Cancer Prevention

Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)

- Bunker gear
- Personal or spare SCBA facepieces
- Second sets of PPE such as:
 - Gloves
 - Flash hoods
 - Helmet liners
- 3rd party inspection and/or cleaning of PPE (bunker gear)



Cancer Prevention

Minor Infrastructure

- PPE extractors or dryers
- Residential-style washer/dryer for station wear and personnel clothing
- Diesel Exhaust Extraction devices
- Modifications/renovations to fire stations:
 - To enhance/expand shower and change room (including adding separate or gender-based facilities)
 - Expanded decontamination areas (wash sinks, etc.)
 - Creating clean/dirty areas for decontamination

Note – Installation costs can also be included in this category.



Technology

Minor Infrastructure

- Enhanced Broadband and Internet connectivity
 - Broadband or Wi-Fi enhancements

Note – Installation costs can also be included in this category.



Lithium-Ion Incident Response

Equipment and Supplies

- Extinguishing agents
- Fire decontamination systems
- Safety solutions



Exclusions

The following items are **not** eligible for funding:

- Increased staffing complements
- Any staffing related expenses (including salary, benefits or overtime)
- Direct medical costs (e.g. cancer screening or medical monitoring)
- Direct training costs (including textbooks, course fees, 3rd party training providers)
- External consultant fees
- Large-scale infrastructure projects



Funding Allocations

- Each municipality will receive a per-station allotment through an equitable funding strategy
- Funding will be divided equally based on the total number of active fire stations across Ontario
- Final allocation amounts will depend on the total number of approved applications
- Based on OFM statistics, there are a total of 1,216 active municipal fire stations in the province. This would allocate approximately \$16,445 per station for cancer prevention and lithium-ion incident response initiatives.



TPON Application

- An Adobe PDF form is now available for download via the TPON portal
- Your Field and Advisory Services (FAS) advisor is available to guide you in completing the application
- Complete the PDF form along with all necessary forms and submit via the TPON portal. ***Applications will only be accepted through TPON***
- Submit any supplementary information through TPON
- Direct TPON contact will be required for technical questions about the portal and access
- TPON Customer Service: (416) 325-6691 or 1-855-216-3090 or TponCC@Ontario.ca



Tips

- Be prepared early – have a project in mind, start collecting costing information and quotes
- Ensure you can complete the necessary procurement and purchasing prior to March 31, 2026
- FAS is here to help - reach out to your FAS advisor early and often if you need assistance
- Funding can be awarded to assist with ongoing initiatives (already underway)



Application Walkthrough



APPLICATION

Fire Protection Grant (FY25-26)

Case No.: 2025-07-1-3255701216

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- There are 9 sections to the application (including the Instruction section)
- Section A and B are pre-populated with information from your municipal TPON login. The pre-populated information cannot be edited within the application
 - Any updates must be made via the TPON system (not on the form)
- To navigate you can select the "Expand" button (to open all sections) or select any section to navigate through
 - The sections are accessible at all times



C – Application Contact Information

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Please provide contacts for this application, including whether or not they have signing authority. Contacts with the Applicant role will receive email notifications regarding case submission, reports due, and payments. Contacts with the Payee role will receive notifications regarding payments.

Please enter the official having signing authority in the first section below. **If the signing authority is not the Fire Chief, please select the Add button below and submit the Fire Chief's contact information in the second area.**

Contacts with signing authority will be prompted to digitally sign this form in Section H.

			Add	Remove
Salutation: *	First Name: *	Last Name: *		
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>		
Primary: <input type="checkbox"/>	Role: *	Email Address: *		
	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>		
Title:	Department:	Phone Number (Work): *		
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>		
Phone Number (Mobile):	Fax Number:	Signing Authority <input type="checkbox"/>		
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>			

- First contact listed should be existing municipal signing authority for TPON
 - This signing authority has the delegation to complete the Transfer Payment Agreement (when approved)
- **Use the “Add” button to add the fire chief as the second contact**



D – Fire Department Information

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Please complete the information below based on the current active fire stations and active full-time or volunteer firefighters as of the date of this application.

Please enter zero for the appropriate section below if you have no full-time or volunteer firefighters respectively.

Active Fire Stations *

No. of Full-Time Firefighters: *

No. of Volunteer Firefighters: *

Has this project been accounted for in current fiscal year budgetary processes? *

If yes, please identify whether funding is allocated in full, partial or none (denied). *

Information provided above will be validated against OFM Fire Department profile information.

- Information will be validated against FAS Fire Department Profiles
- Count the current active fire stations and fully (approved) compliment of firefighters
- All applicants will be required to identify if they have requested/received funding through their capital or operating budgets for the initiatives being applied for, and what level and the amount of funding they received (full, partial or none) or not approved



E – Project Information (Part 1)

E - Project Information	
Project Name (maximum 250 characters) *	
<input type="text"/>	
Project Start Date (mm/dd/yyyy) *	Project End Date (mm/dd/yyyy) *
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Requested Amount: *	Total Cost of the Project: *
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Identify applicable FP Grant Priorities (Select all that apply) *	
<input type="checkbox"/> (1) Cancer Prevention - Equipment and Supplies	
<input type="checkbox"/> (2) Cancer Prevention – PPE	
<input type="checkbox"/> (3) Cancer Prevention – Minor Infrastructure	
<input type="checkbox"/> (4) Minor Infrastructure Modernization – Enhanced Broadband and Internet Connectivity	
<input type="checkbox"/> (5) Lithium Ion incident Response - Equipment and Supplies	

- Provide project initiative information
- Select all the priorities that apply (can select multiple)
- If requesting a portion of the funding for a larger project, please include the total cost of the project



E – Project Information (Part 2)

Project Summary: *

Project Description: *

Project Objectives: *

- The second half of Section E is where you will provide a business case
- Be as thorough as possible. Provide specifics on quantities in program description
- **TIP** – Prepare this information in a word processor and copy and paste the final wording when ready



F – Budget

- This section is where you break-down specific costs and expenses within each priority
- Quotes for each project item **must** be provided
- For Minor Infrastructure (Cancer Prevention or Technology) separate the associated installation costs
- Within the “Description” field – provide further breakdown of costs and quantities if possible
- NOTE: Please attach supplementary documentation to provide a detailed breakdown if your initiatives require the additional space to adequately outline

F - Budget

Please attach an itemized list along with the anticipated costs (not including taxes), categorized using the categories below to outline the individual equipment and installation costs included in this initiative.

Item	Description	Amount
Anticipated Costs of Project components		
* Cancer Prevention - Equipment and Supplies		0.00
* Cancer Prevention - PPE		0.00
* Cancer Prevention - Minor Infrastructure		0.00
* Installation Costs - Cancer Prevention - Minor Infrastructure		0.00
* Minor Infrastructure Modernization - Enhanced Broadband and Internet		0.00
* Installation Costs Minor Infrastructure Modernization – Enhanced Broadband and		0.00
* Lithium Ion Incident Response - Equipment and Supplies		0.00
* Other (specify)		0.00
* Total Expenditures		0.00



G – Partnerships

- Proposals that leverage collaboration and/or shared services/equipment with neighbouring fire departments are encouraged and will be considered during the application review process
- Adjacent communities may work together to pool their funding allocation to share an initiative. In these scenarios, only one municipality will be responsible for submitting an application
- The total number of fire stations amongst the partners will determine the total FP grant allotment and the OFM will confirm with each listed partner that they support the shared allocation

G - Partnership Information

Please list any fire departments that have agreed to consolidate their allotments on this grant for the purposes of sharing equipment or services amongst the partners. Any partners listed will be contacted by the OFM to confirm their agreements prior to any funds be allocated.

Fire Department Name	Fire Chief (if applicable)	Comments



H – Declaration, Signing and Validation



APPLICATION

Fire Protection Grant (FY25-26)

Case No.: 2025-07-1-3255701216

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- When the application is completed, click the **"Validate"** button to confirm no information is missing from the application



Submitting an Application

- All applications must be completed through the municipal login within the TPON system
- Your local FAS Fire Protection Adviser will be in contact via email within 3 to 5 business days to confirm receipt of your application



Following Application Submissions:

- OFM reviewers will review every application for completeness and validation of the information provided
- OFM reviewers may contact the applicant to review the submission or to request additional information
- If partners are listed, the OFM will confirm their intent to pool their funding
- Once reviewed, recommendations will be made to the Ministry for approval
- Once approved, notification will come from the TPON system along with a Transfer Payment Agreement (TPA) that must be signed and returned through the TPON system for funds to be released



Fire Protection Grant Report-Back

- All successful applicants will be required to complete a Report-Back
- The Report-Back window for Year 2 is expected to be open in July 2026
- This Report-Back will be required to confirm that grant allocations have been spent and the objectives have been met
- Any funds not spent as identified in the approved application must be returned to the government
- Submission of a Report-Back is usually a condition of subsequent grant year funding being approved





Thank you