



## South Dakota Office of Emergency Management – Quarterly SERC Report

### **Memorandum:**

**To:** South Dakota State Emergency Response Commission (SERC)

**From:** Rhett Howard, HMEP Grant Administrator

**Date:** September 15th, 2026

**Re:** Quarterly FFY2025 / FFY2026 / FFY2027 HMEP Grant Report

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### **FFY 2025 HMEP Grant Applicants:**

*Aberdeen Fire Rescue, Rapid City Fire Rescue, Sioux Falls Fire Rescue, Watertown Fire Rescue, Bennett County, Codington County, Lawrence County, Yankton County.*

*15 - Training Grants*

*3 - Planning Grants*

*1 - Equipment Grant*

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### **FFY 2025 HMEP Grant Awarded: Total Sub-Grantee Contractual awarded: \$125,506.00**

***Note:** This dollar amount does not reflect the Administration Fees awarded to the State of South Dakota from PHMSA for grant management, nor any non-federal sub-grantee match figures.*

**FFY 2025 Contractual (Sub-Grantee) grant money spent to date: \$83,619.34**

**FFY 2025 Total Contractual Amount Remaining To-Date (Federal): \$41,886.66**

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- ***Codington County*** - **\$1,500.00** – Completed Hazmat Awareness/Operations Class held 01/16/26 for 14 trainees.
  - ***Codington County*** - **\$1,500.00** – Completed Hazmat Awareness/Operations Class held 02/06/26 for 21 trainees.
  - ***Lawrence County*** - **\$5,000.00** – Updated their County Hazardous Materials Emergency Response Plan completed August 10, 2026.
  - ***Yankton County*** - **\$6,000.00** – Updated their County Hazardous Materials Emergency Response Plan completed July 23, 2026.
  - ***Aberdeen Fire Rescue*** - **\$6,720.00** – Completed 2026 Cold Zone Conference/Training held 05/06/ through 5/08/2026 for 6 AFR first responders (Specialist Level).
  - ***Aberdeen Fire Rescue*** - **\$5,995.00** – Completed 8 Hour Road/Highway/ARFF Hazmat Incident Response Training on July 8<sup>th</sup> 2026, for 20 first responders.
  - ***Rapid City Fire Rescue*** - **\$23,950.00** - Tactical Chemistry Course (Technician Level) held 03/02/2026 – 03/06/2026 for 14 first responders.

- **Rapid City Fire Rescue** - **\$5,292.00** - NFPA 470 Hazardous Materials Transportation Specialist Course (Specialist Level) - held 03/14/26 through 03/21/2026 for 2 first responders.
- **Sioux Falls Fire Rescue** - **\$5,950.00** - Hazmat IQ Above the Line/Below the Line (Operations Level) – held 02/19/2026 for 13 first responders.
- **Sioux Falls Fire Rescue** - **\$6,450.00** - Hazmat IQ Advanced (Operations Level) – held 02/20/2026 for 13 first responders.
- **Sioux Falls Fire Rescue** - **\$5,631.44** - NFPA 470 Hazardous Materials Transportation Specialist Course (Specialist)– held 03/14/26 through 03/21/2026 for 1 first responder.
- **Watertown Fire Rescue** - **\$4,130.90** – Completed 2026 Cold Zone Conference/Training held 05/05/ through 5/08/2026 for 3 WFR first responders (Specialist Level).
- **Watertown Fire Rescue** - **\$5,500.00** – Lithium-Ion Battery Fires & Managing the Scene Training held on 06/01/2026 for 28 first responders (Technician Level).

**13 of 19 HMEP25 activities have been completed.**

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**FFY 2026 HMEP Grant Applicants:**

*Aberdeen Fire Rescue, Rapid City Fire Rescue, Sioux Falls Fire Rescue, Watertown Fire Rescue, Codington County, Hand-Buffalo County, McPherson County.*

*14 - Training Grants*

*2 - Equipment Grants*

*1 - Planning Grant*

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*This grant award amount is pending confirmation from PHMSA within the next few weeks.*

**FFY 2026 HMEP Grant Awarded: Total Sub-Grantee Contractual awarded: \$116,521.00**

*Note: This dollar amount does not reflect the Administration Fees awarded to the State of South Dakota from PHMSA for grant management, nor any non-federal sub-grantee match figures.*

**FFY 2026 Contractual (Sub-Grantee) grant money spent to date: \$0.00**

**FFY 2026 Total Contractual Amount Remaining To-Date (Federal): \$116,521.00**

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