



Montana 9-1-1 Program ~ Grant Program Allowable Expenditures

ALLOWABLE USES OF FUNDING of money funded from the establishment of 9-1-1 Accounts under 10-4-306 MCA:

Grants may be awarded to private telecommunications providers and to local government entities that host certified public safety answering points for:

- (a) emergency telecommunications system plans.
- (b) project feasibility studies or project plans.
- (c) the implementation, operation, and maintenance of 9-1-1 systems, equipment, devices, and data.
- (d) the purchase of services that support 9-1-1 systems.

In awarding grants, preference must be given to applications in the following order of priority:

- (a) requests by private telecommunications providers or by local government entities that host public safety answering points by working with a private telecommunications provider; and
- (b) requests by local government entities that host public safety answering points.

Nothing in this section prevents a local government entity that hosts a public safety answering point in accordance with this section from:

- (a) providing grant money received by the local government entity to a private telecommunications provider for 9-1-1 purposes; or
- (b) collaborating with another local government entity on a joint grant application.

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