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**MEMORANDUM**  
**TOWN OF PONCE INLET – OFFICE OF THE FIRE CHIEF**

*THE TOWN OF PONCE INLET STAFF SHALL BE PROFESSIONAL, CARING, AND FAIR IN DELIVERING COMMUNITY EXCELLENCE WHILE ENSURING PONCE INLET CITIZENS OBTAIN THE GREATEST VALUE FOR THEIR TAX DOLLAR.*

Date: January 12, 2016  
To: Jeaneen Witt, Town Manager  
From: Daniel Scales, Fire Chief  
Re: **Staff Report – January 21, 2016 Council Meeting**

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**Type of Request:** 2016 Assistance to Firefighter Matching Grant to Purchase Communications Equipment

**Discussion:**

Staff is seeking approval to apply for a \$128,000 equipment matching grant from the Federal Assistance to Firefighter Grant Program (AFG). If grant funds are awarded to the Town, the Town would be responsible for \$6,095 or 5% of the total project amount.

The grant funds would be used to purchase new portable and mobile radio equipment, along with 4 vehicle radio repeaters. If funded, this grant will allow the Town to purchase equipment that will replace current inventory not upgradable to the new P-25 radio standard being implemented by Volusia County.

**Recommendation:**

Staff recommends approval of the application request.