

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

Department of Public Safety / Fire Safety

HB Section(s): 08.170

Program Name: Contracted Fire Fighter Training

Program is found in the following core budget(s): Fire Fighter Training Core

1a. What strategic priority does this program address?

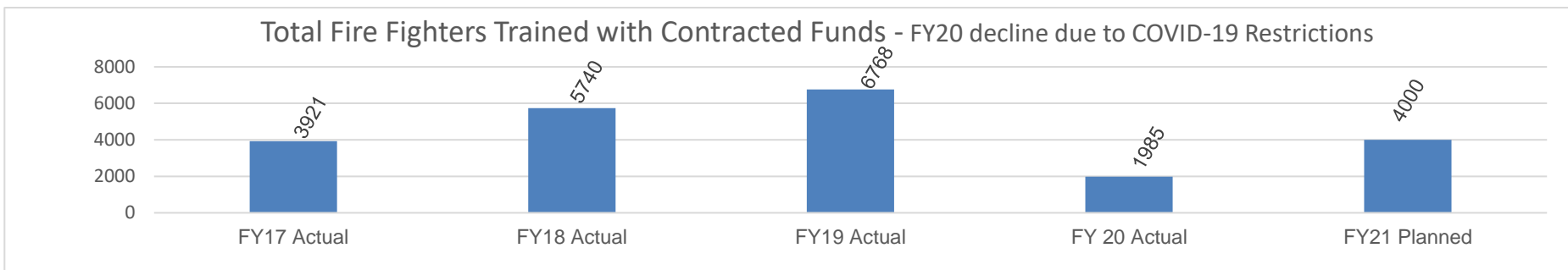
Provide consistent quality training to fire fighters statewide.

1b. What does this program do?

Through multiple contracts with various training partners, this funding provides cost free training to Missouri's fire fighters, law enforcement, and other emergency response personnel. In an effort to reach all spectrums of those we serve, the training ranges from very basic to extremely complex. Courses are delivered in a regional format in an effort to reach all corners of our State. Training topics include fire fighting, fire service management, vehicle fire fighting, technical rescue, water rescue, driver training, hazardous materials recognition and response, fire safety inspections, etc.

For many individuals who volunteer their service , this funding is their only opportunity for training. It is estimated at least 80% of Missouri's 25,000 fire fighters volunteer their service and represent departments with little or no budget for training. In FY20, these funds provided 92 classes for 1,985 fire fighters. Unfortunately the COVID-19 emergency impacted the delivery of additional training.

2a. Provide an activity measure(s) for the program.



2b. Provide a measure(s) of the program's quality.

All contracted training courses are vetted by the Governor-appointed Fire Education Commission and must meet applicable NFPA standards. Courses must be taught by Division of Fire Safety certified instructors, and proper safety equipment must be utilized during skill evolutions.

In order to maximize training dollars, course attendance minimums are established by the Commission. Evaluation forms are completed by students at the conclusion of each class indicating overall satisfaction with these programs.

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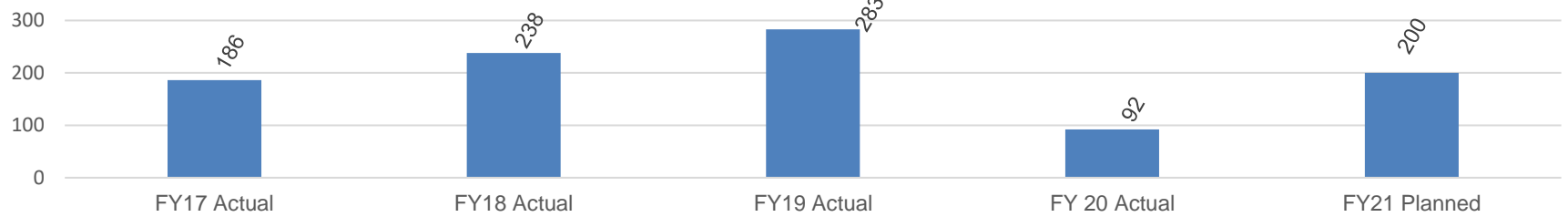
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2c. Provide a measure(s) of the program's impact.

Contracted Courses Provided - FY20 decline due to COVID-19 Restrictions



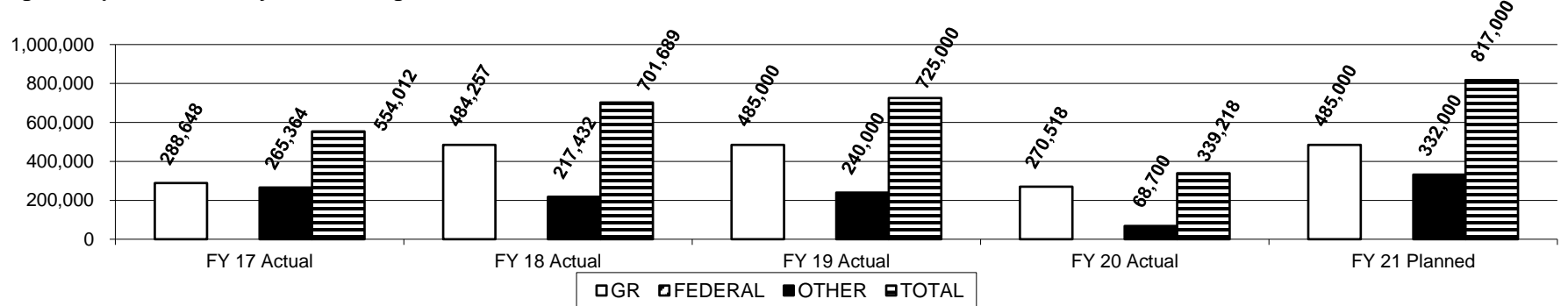
2d. Provide a measure(s) of the program's efficiency.

The Division of Fire Safety is not appropriated FTE to administer this program and therefore uses existing Administrative and Training staff to provide oversight of these contracted courses.

In FY20, contracted training funds were passed on to six different training partners to provide training programs to the fire service of our State at no cost to the participants.

3. Provide actual expenditures for the prior three fiscal years and planned expenditures for the current fiscal year. (Note: Amounts do not include fringe benefit costs.)

Program Expenditure History - withholding in FY17



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4. What are the sources of the "Other " funds?

Chemical Emergency Preparedness Fund (0587) and Fire Education Fund (0821)

5. What is the authorization for this program, i.e., federal or state statute, etc.? (Include the federal program number, if applicable.)

RSMo Chapter 320.200-273; 292.604

6. Are there federal matching requirements? If yes, please explain.

No

7. Is this a federally mandated program? If yes, please explain.

No