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Permits cities and towns to make grants to an emergency medical services agency, as defined in Minnesota Statutes, section 144.7401, that serves the city or town.

Under section 144.7401, "emergency medical services agency" means an agency, entity, or organization that employs or uses emergency medical services persons as employees or volunteers.

"Emergency medical services person" means:

- (1) an individual employed or receiving compensation to provide out-of-hospital emergency medical services such as a firefighter, paramedic, emergency medical technician, licensed nurse, rescue squad person, or other individual who serves as an employee or volunteer of an ambulance service as defined under chapter 144E, or a member of an organized first responder squad that is formally recognized by a political subdivision in the state who provides out-of-hospital emergency medical services during the performance of the individual's duties;
- (2) an individual employed as a licensed peace officer under section 626.84, subdivision 1;
- (3) an individual employed as a crime laboratory worker while working outside the laboratory and involved in a criminal investigation;
- (4) any individual who renders emergency care or assistance at the scene of an emergency or while an injured person is being transported to receive medical care and who is acting as a Good Samaritan under section 604A.01; and
- (5) any individual who, in the process of executing a citizen's arrest under section 629.30, may have experienced a significant exposure to a source individual.