

**PROSPECTUS - ALTERATION  
FIRE PROTECTION AND LIFE SAFETY PROGRAM  
VARIOUS BUILDINGS**

Prospectus Number: PFP-0001-MU19

**FY 2019 Project Summary**

This prospectus proposes alterations to upgrade, replace, and improve fire protection systems and life safety features in Government-owned buildings during fiscal year (FY) 2019.

Since FY 2010, the General Services Administration (GSA) has received \$94,000,000 in support of this program. These funds supported 87 projects in over 72 Government-owned buildings.

**FY 2019 Committee Approval and Appropriation Requested.....\$30,000,000**

**Program Summary**

As part of its fire protection and life safety efforts, GSA currently is identifying projects in Federal buildings throughout the country through surveys and studies. These projects will vary in size, location, and delivery method. The approval and appropriation requested in this prospectus is for a diverse set of retrofit projects with engineering solutions to reduce fire and life safety hazards. Typical projects include:

- Replacing antiquated fire alarm and detection systems that are in need of repair or for which parts are no longer available.
- Installing emergency voice communication systems to facilitate occupant notification and evacuation in Federal buildings during an emergency.
- Installing or expanding, as necessary, fire sprinkler systems to provide a reasonable degree of protection for life and property from fire in Federal buildings.
- Constructing additional exit stairs or enclosing existing exit stairs to facilitate the safe and timely evacuation of building occupants in the event of an emergency.

**Justification**

GSA periodically assesses all facilities using technical professionals to identify hazards and initiate correction or risk-reduction protection strategies so that its buildings do not present an unreasonable risk to GSA personnel, occupant agencies, or the general public. Completion of these proposed projects will improve the overall level of safety from fire and similar risks in federally owned buildings in GSA's portfolio nationwide.

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**Certification of Need**

Over the years, a number of fire protection and life safety issues have been identified that need to be addressed to reduce fire risk. The proposed program is the best solution to meet a validated Government need.

Submitted at Washington, DC, on February 12, 2018

Recommended:   
Commissioner, Public Buildings Service

Approved:   
Administrator, General Services Administration