

Search and Rescue Fund State Fiscal Year 2019 Fact Sheet



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Highlights

- The Search and Rescue fund (SAR) has reimbursed **\$559,403.38** for 775 missions and has granted **\$2,948,534** via 346 awards between 2010 and 2019.
- In State Fiscal Year (SFY) 2019, CORSAR card and sticker sales generated **\$84,276.67** in revenue.
- In SFY 2019, SAR reimbursed **\$38,113.38** for 23 missions and granted **\$340,338.85** via 35 awards.
- The average amount for a mission reimbursement in SFY2019 was **\$1657.10**.
- The busiest month of SFY2018 for search and rescue missions was **September**.

About the Search and Rescue Fund

- SAR was created in 1987 to reimburse political subdivisions and search-and-rescue organizations for the costs incurred in conducting search and rescue operations, and to provide funding for the purchase of search-and-rescue related equipment and training.
- Funds are generated via two main sources: \$0.25 surcharges applied to hunting and fishing licenses, and boat, snowmobile, and off-highway vehicle registrations; and by sales of the CORSAR (Colorado Outdoor Recreation Search and Rescue) Card. The one-year card costs the buyer \$3.00, with \$2.00 going directly to SAR and \$1.00 being collected by the vendor as an administration fee. The five-year card costs the buyer \$12.00, with \$9.00 going directly to SAR and \$3.00 being collected by the vendor.

Revenue by Funding Source

Funding Source	SFY19 Revenue Totals	SFY19 Revenue %
Hunting Licenses	\$158,118.00	28%
Fishing Licenses	\$238,645.75	42%
OHVs, Snowmobiles, Boats	\$77,551.00	14%
CORSAR Card/Sticker Sales	\$84,276.67	15%
Refunds, interest, misc.	\$7768.77	1%
TOTAL	\$564,449.45	100%

Rescue Mission by Activity

Activities	Missions % of
Hiker/Climber	51%
Biker/Skier/Other	11%
Hunter/Fisherman	6%
Snowmobile	4%
OHV/Boating	11%
Other Categories	17%

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