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FEMA AWARDS NEARLY \$2 MILLION TO ALABAMA FIRE DEPARTMENTS FROM THE ASSISTANCE TO FIREFIGHTERS GRANT (AFG) PROGRAM

ATLANTA – The U.S. Department of Homeland Security’s Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) awarded \$1,990,235 from the Assistance to Firefighters Grants (AFG) program to local fire departments and emergency responders in the state of Alabama.

“Being a first responder means being prepared for any situation,” said FEMA Regional Administrator Phil May. “For the thousands of brave men and women who risk everything to be there for us in times of tragedy and peril, it is important that we as a nation support them by ensuring they have the proper equipment and training.”

This week’s round of the national Assistance to Firefighters Grants include grants provided to the following first responders in from the Alabama:

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Calcedeaver Volunteer Fire & Rescue Dept.	Mount Vernon	Operations and Safety	\$35,958
Chatom FD	Chatom	Operations and Safety	\$38,000
Spring Creek VFD	Fort Deposit	Operations and Safety	\$17,295
Woodland VFD	Woodland	Operations and Safety	\$49,367
Coleta Valley VFD	Talladega	Operations and Safety	\$22,088
Barfield VFD	Lineville	Operations and Safety	\$39,900
East Randolph County VFD	Roanoke	Operations and Safety	\$79,211
Attalla Fire & Rescue	Attalla	Operations and Safety	\$90,075
Kirkland-Bluff-Wayside VFD	Fayette	Operations and Safety	\$40,974
Oak Ridge VFD	HARTSELLE	Operations and Safety	\$27,132
Crane Hill Communities Volunteer Fire & EMS Dept.	Crane Hill	Operations and Safety	\$92,245
Garden City VFD	Garden City	Operations and Safety	\$29,334
Red Bay FD	Red Bay	Operations and Safety	\$75,763
Logan Fire & Rescue, Inc.	Logan	Operations and Safety	\$201,757
Hay Valley VFD	Parrish	Operations and Safety	\$5,463
Crossville VFD	Crossville	Operations and Safety	\$68,068
Oden Ridge VFD	Falkville	Operations and Safety	\$79,919
Limrock/Aspel VFD	Scottsboro	Operations and Safety	\$19,728

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City of Huntsville Huntsville Fire & Rescue	Huntsville	Operations and Safety	\$448,000
Pelham FD	Pelham	Operations and Safety	\$57,560
Calera FD	Calera	Operations and Safety	\$148,986
Weogufka VFD	Weogufka	Operations and Safety	\$34,200
Maytown VFD	Maytown	Operations and Safety	\$70,880
Akron VFD	Akron	Operations and Safety	\$90,369
City of Selma- Selma Fire & Rescue Dept.	Selma	Operations and Safety	\$84,263
Sweet Water VFD	Sweet Water	Operations and Safety	\$43,700

FY 2009 Fire Prevention and Safety Grants Program

The Department of Homeland Security's Assistance to Firefighters Grants (AFG) program is an important component of the administration's larger, coordinated effort to strengthen the nation's overall level of preparedness. The AFG is designed to enhance response capabilities and to more effectively protect the health and safety of the public with respect to fire and other hazards. The grants enable local fire departments and emergency medical services organizations to purchase or receive training, conduct first responder health and safety programs, and buy equipment and response vehicles.

These grant programs are administered cooperatively by two FEMA components: the Grant Programs Directorate and the United States Fire Administration. The full list of past and current recipients and other Assistance to Firefighter Grant program information is posted on the AFG website at (www.firegrantsupport.com).

FEMA's mission is to support our citizens and first responders to ensure that as a nation we work together to build, sustain, and improve our capability to prepare for, protect against, respond to, recover from, and mitigate all hazards.

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