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ALABAMA FIRE DEPARTMENT RECEIVES NEARLY \$36,000 IN FUNDING THROUGH FEMA'S ASSISTANCE TO FIREFIGHTERS GRANT PROGRAM

ATLANTA – The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) today awarded \$35,597 in Assistance to Firefighters Grant (AFG) funding to a local fire department in the state of Alabama.

“By providing these grants to local fire and rescue departments,” said FEMA Region IV Administrator Phil May, “FEMA is investing in the first responders in this country and helping them to be ready for all disasters.”

Nationally, this week’s grants total more than \$6 million. The AFG program includes three kinds of awards: Fire Grants, Staffing for Adequate Fire and Emergency Response (SAFER) grants and Fire Prevention and Safety grants (FP&S). Today’s grant to Alabama is:

Fire Grants (funding firefighting and emergency response needs of fire departments and nonaffiliated emergency medical services organizations, and supporting regional projects involving multiple organizations serving more than one local jurisdiction)

Yerkwood VFD	Quinton	Operations and Safety	\$35,597
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The fiscal year (FY) 2008 AFG awards, which are being distributed in phases, will ultimately provide about \$500 million to fire departments and nonaffiliated emergency medical service organizations throughout the country.

The full list of this week’s recipients and other information, including program Fact Sheets, can be found on the AFG website (www.firegrantsupport.com).

FEMA leads and supports the nation in a risk-based, comprehensive emergency management system of preparedness, protection, response, recovery, and mitigation, to reduce the loss of life and property and protect the nation from all hazards including natural disasters, acts of terrorism, and other man-made disasters.

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