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ALABAMA FIRE DEPARTMENTS RECEIVE NEARLY \$2 MILLION IN FUNDING THROUGH FEMA'S ASSISTANCE TO FIREFIGHTERS GRANT PROGRAM

ATLANTA – The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) today awarded \$1,911,349 in Assistance to Firefighters Grant (AFG) funding to local fire departments and emergency medical services organizations in the state of Alabama.

“This funding is an investment by FEMA in these departments to help them purchase life-saving equipment and needed training to be better prepared when called to duty,” said Phil May, FEMA Region IV administrator.

Nationally, this week’s grants total \$17 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 grants to Alabama organizations are:

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)

St. Stephens VFD	St. Stephens	Operations and Safety	\$32,157
Old Kingston VFD	Prattville	Operations and Safety	\$80,151
Bay Springs Volunteer Fire & Rescue Inc.	Dothan	Vehicle Acquisition	\$118,750
Pintlala VFD	Hope Hull	Operations and Safety	\$103,616
Fredonia Fire & Rescue Volunteer Company	Lanett	Operations and Safety	\$60,942
County Line VFD	Wadley	Operations and Safety	\$16,957
West Chambers FD	Lafayette	Vehicle Acquisition	\$215,270
Mount Olive VFD	Roanoke	Operations and Safety	\$26,125
Big Oak Community VFD	Ohatchee	Operations and Safety	\$122,346
Guntersville Fire & Rescue	Guntersville	Vehicle Acquisition	\$585,000
Cullman Fire Rescue	Cullman	Operations and Safety	\$38,000
Walter VFD	Cullman	Operations and Safety	\$62,045
Barney VFD	Cordova	Operations and Safety	\$56,999
Pleasant Groves VFD	Woodville	Operations and Safety	\$74,100
Harvest VFD	Harvest	Operations and Safety	\$60,263
Maplesville Volunteer Fire & Rescue	Maplesville	Operations and Safety	\$25,175
Stewartville VFD	Sylacauga	Operations and Safety	\$60,087
County 17 Fire & Rescue	Maylene	Operations and Safety	\$9,500
Gilbertown VFD	Gilbertown	Operations and Safety	\$106,866

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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 coordinates the federal government's role in preparing for, preventing, mitigating the effects of, responding to, and recovering from all domestic disasters, whether natural or man-made, including acts of terror.

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