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ALABAMA FIRE DEPARTMENTS RECEIVE NEARLY \$600,000 IN FUNDING THROUGH FEMA'S ASSISTANCE TO FIREFIGHTERS GRANT PROGRAM

ATLANTA – The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) today awarded \$571,479 in Assistance to Firefighters Grant (AFG) funding to local fire departments and emergency medical services organizations in the state of Alabama.

“We know that training and equipment, when matched with the courage of individuals, can reduce risks and bring more of our men and women home each night,” said FEMA Regional Administrator Phil May.

Nationally, this week's grants total \$21 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)

Huguley FD	Lanett	Operations and Safety	\$73,150
Fredonia Fire & Rescue Volunteer Company	Lanett	Vehicle Acquisition	\$190,000
Friendship VFD	Smiths Station	Operations and Safety	\$29,430
Fosters Crossroads VFD	Wedowee	Operations and Safety	\$46,883
Albertville FD	Albertville	Operations and Safety	\$151,076
Trinity FD	Trinity	Operations and Safety	\$43,700
Argo Fire & Rescue	Trussville	Operations and Safety	\$37,240

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).

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