

Congress of the United States
Washington, DC 20515

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Mr. Thomas Di Nanno
Assistant Administrator for Grant Programs
400 C Street SW, 3 N
Washington, DC 20472-3653

Dear Assistant Administrator Nanno:

I am pleased to write in support of the Cascade Fire Protection District application for a Federal Emergency Management Agency grant under their Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program.

The Cascade Rural Fire Protection District is in West Central Idaho in Valley County. They provide fire and emergency services to the unincorporated areas surrounding the city of Cascade. The Fire District covers 110 square miles and serve 1,000 permanent residents. They are a combination department comprised of 8 paid firefighters and 14 dedicated volunteers. The Fire District operates three stations that are strategically located throughout the district to ensure all residents receive adequate fire and emergency services. The Fire District annually responds to approximately 400-440 emergencies. They also annually respond to 20-30 fires, 30-40 motor vehicle accidents, and over 300 advanced life support emergencies.

This grant would assist the Cascade Fire Protection District to purchase 22 self-contained breathing apparatuses (SCBA's). Currently, the Fire District is limited by the number of SCBA's when they are attacking a live fire. By having additional SCBA's the dedicated firefighters and volunteers would be able to provide more resources to attack live fires. It is critical to provide the Cascade Fire Protection District with additional resources to safely protect the firefighters, volunteers, and people of Central Idaho.

I respectfully request that you give full and fair consideration to the application submitted by the Cascade Fire Protection District.

Sincerely,


Russ Fulcher
Member of Congress