



River Delta Fire District

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News Release – River Delta Fire District

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On Friday August 27, 2021, the River Delta Fire District received notification from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) of a grant award under FEMA's Assistance to Firefighters (AFG) grant program.

In an effort to help local fire departments enhance response capabilities and keep their communities safe, federal funds are being awarded through the Federal Emergency Management Agency's (FEMA) Assistance to Firefighters Grant (AFG) Program. AFG grants are designed to supply critically needed equipment, protective gear, emergency vehicles, training, and other resources necessary to protect local communities.

The River Delta Fire District will use its \$50,000 AFG grant to purchase structural firefighting protective clothing for its Firefighters. A complete ensemble includes coat, bunker pants, helmets, suspenders, hoods, gloves and boots.

"It is crucial that our firefighters have the right equipment to safely and effectively respond to emergency situations. We are grateful to have received this grant award to help River Delta Firefighters do their job. Investing in our firefighter's safety remains an utmost priority," said Fire Chief Cutino. "I will keep working to ensure all of our firefighters have the state-of-the-art tools and resources they need to keep our delta communities safe."

"It's very important that our firefighters be well equipped when saving lives," said Board President Les Wolfson. "We want to thank Chief Cutino for doing an excellent job and for the Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program for continuing to support Firefighters across the county and our River Delta Firefighters."

The grant award will be brought before the Fire District Board at its September 21st meeting, where the Board will take action to accept the grant.

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