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Ms. Pamela Williams
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U.S. Department of Homeland Security / FEMA
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Dear Ms. Williams,

I write in regards to the Assistance to Firefighter Grants program. This funding is invaluable to fire departments across the state of West Virginia, and I wish to bring specific applicants to your attention.

Similar to communities across the country, West Virginians rely on their local fire departments and ambulatory services for protection and emergency response. As Ranking Member of the Senate Appropriations Committee's Homeland Security Subcommittee, I have worked to ensure the men and women who serve in these departments have the equipment necessary to do their jobs effectively and safely.

Specifically, the following departments have applied for funding through the AFG program to allow them to continue to serve their communities to the best of their abilities:

- Wheeling Fire Department;
- Albright Volunteer Fire Department;
- Newell Volunteer Fire Department;
- Augusta Volunteer Fire Company;
- Baker Heights Fire Department;
- Berkeley Springs Fire Company;
- Blacksville Fire Company;
- Cassville Fire Company;
- Citizens Fire Company;
- Friendship Fire Company;
- Great Cacapon Fire Company;
- Independent Fire Company;
- KAMP;
- Maysville Fire Company;
- Moorefield Fire Department;
- New Creek Fire Department;
- Nutter Fort Fire Department;
- Ridgeley Fire Department;
- Romney Fire Department;
- Terra Alta EMS;
- Marlinton Fire Department;
- Racine Fire Company;
- South Fork Volunteer Fire Department;
- Trap Hill Fire Department;
- White Sulphur Springs EMS; and
- Whitesville Fire Company.

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Our first responders are willing to put their lives on the line to protect our communities every day, and we owe them a great debt of gratitude for this. Ensuring that emergency service departments can access critical resources that allow them to respond to incidents in the most safe and efficient manner is the best way that we can support these brave West Virginians. I hope you will give their application your full consideration.

Sincerely,



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