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CAMP VERDE FIRE DISTRICT RECEIVES \$56,218.00 GRANT FROM FEMA

The U.S. Department of Homeland Security's Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) announced today the second round of Fiscal Year 2007 Fire Prevention and Safety grants, awarding 51 grants totaling over two million to fire departments and fire prevention organizations throughout the United States. Of the approximately \$2 million awards announced for 2007, Camp Verde Fire will receive just over \$56,000 for use in helping prevent fire related death and injury. These funds will be used for public education programs geared toward fire and life safety, code education and most importantly, a smoke-detector program.

The programs implemented will focus on high-risk neighborhoods within our response district. We will partner with various community organizations to implement a door-to-door smoke detector campaign and public education programs geared toward promoting fire and life safety in our District. Our target audience will be those citizens most susceptible to fire-related injuries and death. This group typically consists of young children and senior citizens.

The receipt of this grant is a great opportunity. It will enable Camp Verde Fire District to continue its progressive approach to Public Education and Fire Prevention and allow it to further focus life-saving resources in areas we have identified as high-risk.

The grant proposal was written and submitted by a Fire District committee consisting of Fire Inspector Barbara Rice, Administrative Assistant Linda Welsch, and Chief Phillip Harbeson.

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