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Rowlett Fire Department Awarded \$1.47 Million SAFER Grant

ROWLETT, TEXAS— The Rowlett Fire Department has been awarded a \$1,477,573 Staffing for Adequate Fire and Emergency Response (SAFER) grant from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA). This grant will allow the Fire Department to enhance staffing and improve Fire and EMS response for the City’s fire district four, decrease transport times, and elevate the capability for two-in and two-out firefighting operations.

“With our increasing population growth spurring the need to expand our services, this grant will save Rowlett taxpayers more than \$1.4 million over the next three years,” says Fire Chief Neil Howard. “We are excited about receiving this grant and the opportunity it provides to strengthen the safety of our community and place additional firefighters on duty.”

Awarded through a competitive process, the SAFER grant program provides valued assistance to local fire departments across the country, supporting the ability to comply with the staffing, response, and operational standards established by the National Fire Protection Agency.

“Public Safety is a critical strategic priority for the City of Rowlett,” says Mayor Tammy Dana-Bashian. “This grant adds vital resources necessary to protect our citizens and businesses. Representing months of hard work, we are so grateful to the Rowlett Fire Department for their comprehensive and successful grant proposal.”

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