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Alexander Announces Funding for Goodwill Volunteer Fire District

WASHINGTON, D.C. – U.S. Rep. Rodney Alexander, R-Quitman, today announced the U.S. Department of Homeland Security's Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) will award \$12,255 from the Assistance to Firefighters Grants (AFG) program to the Goodwill Volunteer Fire District.

The AFG program is designed to enable local fire departments and emergency medical service organizations to purchase or receive training, conduct first responder health and safety programs, and buy equipment and response vehicles. Throughout the country, the AFG awards will provide approximately \$500 million to fire departments and nonaffiliated emergency medical service organizations for FY 2008.

"The brave men and women of the Goodwill Volunteer Fire District work selflessly to protect our friends and neighbors from harm," Alexander said.

"This funding, in turn, will help protect these individuals by providing the basic tools and resources needed to safely perform these responsibilities."

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