

WASHINGTON – Congressman Spencer Bachus (AL-6) today announced that the Hueytown Fire Department has been awarded a federal fire grant in the amount of \$99,247.

“Firefighters are on the front lines every day, protecting lives and saving property. They deserve modern equipment and the best in safety gear. This grant program helps ensure that fire companies have the necessary resources to quickly and effectively respond to emergency calls. The Hueytown Fire Department is to be commended for qualifying for this grant,” Bachus said.

Bachus announced the following grant.

**Hueytown Fire Department – \$99,247**

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Operations and Safety Grant for the purchase of technical

rescue equipment for calls including confined space rescue, high-angle rope rescue, structural collapse, trench rescue, and vehicle extrication.

Chief Wayne Shelton said, “We are very happy to receive this grant and thank Congressman Bachus and Senator Shelby for their assistance. Our men have been training for a year for this, we have received vehicles from the city, and now we will have equipment to put to use. For a small department, we will go from limited capability to a well-trained, professional response.”

Funds awarded under the Assistance to Firefighters (AFG) program are used to meet the firefighting and emergency needs of fire departments and nonaffiliated medical services organizations. Only the applications most closely conforming to program priorities are considered and scored by peer review panels.

The program is administered by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security.