

WASHINGTON (February 11) – Congressman Spencer Bachus (AL-6) today announced that the Pleasant Grove Fire Department in Jefferson County has been awarded a federal fire grant in the amount of \$25,536.

“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 Pleasant Grove Fire Department is to be commended for qualifying for this grant,” Bachus said.

Bachus announced the following grant.

Pleasant Grove Fire Department - \$25,536

Operations and Safety Grant for the purchase of new turnout gear

Chief Robert Knight said, “This is a great deal for our department and for Pleasant Grove. Our turnout gear is in bad shape and this came just in time. We would like to thank Congressman Bachus for all the support he has given to this department and to the Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program. People can be assured that this money is going to go to good use and it will better protect the lives of our firemen.”

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.

