



# Effingham County Fire Rescue

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RE: Charitable Contributions

Effingham County Fire Rescue is contacting our local Georgia-Pacific facility for community support funding for a new project regarding firefighter safety. In addition to responding to emergency incidents involving fires, vehicle collisions, rescues, and public service calls, firefighters are tasked with responding to various medical and law enforcement incidents.

These cases can involve emotionally unstable patients, potential suicides, domestic violence cases, and patients or victims with a violent history. Additionally, we can enter a violent scene just behind law enforcement as they eliminate a threat, and we are tasked with rescuing and removing victims.

In these cases, our standard personal protective equipment does not address the safety concerns faced on the scene. Unlike law enforcement, firefighters are not equipped with ballistic vests or body armor. We are seeking funds to fill this safety need.

The quote outlines the cost of four tactical vests with armor plates for Effingham County's 17 fire stations.

We appreciate your consideration in funding this project for crucial protection, enabling firefighters to perform their duties without compromising their safety.

Sincerely,