

## **Press Release – Peterborough Fire/Rescue**

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**For Immediate Release: Peterborough Fire & Rescue  
Announces Grant Awards for 2005**

*Peterborough*—Over the past year, Peterborough Fire & Rescue has worked diligently to update its equipment without placing the financial burden on the taxpayers. In the past year, through the volunteer efforts of members, PFR has applied for a number of grants on the state and national level. The results have been staggering. Since the beginning of the year, PFR has been awarded three grants totaling \$27,191.20.

PFR was awarded \$1128.00 from New Hampshire Forests and Lands for the purchase forest firefighting clothing and related safety gear. This gear is designed for the unique safety requirements of operating at a forest or wildland fire.

In addition, PFR received \$14,180.30 from New Hampshire Department of Safety Homeland II Grant for the purchase of equipment to enhance the capabilities of Peterborough Fire Rescue in responding to emergencies. The Equipment purchased includes four Automatic External Defibrillators(AED's), a portable generator, rescue lights, rescue tools, saws and related equipment. Most of the new equipment is carried on the Ladder truck purchased in 2004.

Finally, PFR was granted \$5375.00 from NH Department of Safety, Bureau of Emergency Management to install state of the art communications base radio and antenna at the Emergency Operations Center located at the Fire Station on Summer Street. This unit will increase departmental interoperability, and allow for increased coordination during emergency events of Police, Fire, Public Works and external support agencies.

PFR is proud to serve the town of Peterborough and grateful for the support we receive from the taxpayers. We hope that these grants will show that we are doing our part to continue to be a state-of-the-art department while remaining cost-conscious. “The money is out there; we want to be one of the departments that gets it,” said PFR Deputy Brad Winters. “While we are well-supported by our town, we want to do whatever we can to save the taxpayers’ money.”

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