



# **Illinois American Water Awards over \$96,000 in Firefighter Grants, Several Go To Area Fire Agencies**

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BELLEVILLE — Over \$96,000 will be shared by over 90 Illinois fire departments through Illinois American Water's 2022 Firefighter Grant Program. Since the program was created in 2010, over 860 grants totaling over \$856,000 have been awarded to fire and emergency organizations serving customers in Illinois American Water's service area.



“We know how important water is in protecting homes and businesses. We also understand resources to our local heroes can run short. This is why we approved every grant we received in full this year, supporting our heroes in a meaningful way.” said Justin Ladner, Illinois American Water President. “The departments will utilize these funds to keep our customers and communities safe in emergency situations.”

Illinois American Water’s Firefighter Grant Program awards grants to provide personal protective gear, communications equipment, firefighting tools, water handling equipment, training materials and classroom programs.

The firefighter grants are being announced in conjunction with National Fire Prevention Week, Oct. 9- Oct. 15, 2022, to raise awareness about the importance of fire prevention and emergency planning. This year's Fire Prevention Week theme is "Fire won't wait. Plan your escape." It educates about simple but important actions everyone can take to keep themselves and those around them safe from home fires. Learn more at [www.nfpa.org](http://www.nfpa.org).

Illinois American Water is providing firefighter grants to the following Illinois fire departments:

**Northern Illinois**

Bolingbrook Fire Department  
Des Plaines Fire Department  
Elmhurst Fire Department  
Elgin Fire Department  
Homer Township Fire Protection District  
Lemont Fire Protection District  
Lisle-Woodridge Fire District  
Lombard Fire Department  
Mount Prospect Fire Department  
Northwest Homer Fire Protection District  
Oswego Fire Protection District  
Plainfield Fire Protection District  
Prospect Heights Fire Protection District  
Rockton Fire Protection District

Romeoville Fire Department  
Warrenville Fire Protection District  
Sterling Fire Department

Allen Township Fire Protection District

Grand Ridge Fire Department  
Leonore Fire Department  
Long Point Fire Department  
Reading Fire Department  
Streator Fire Department

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## **Central Illinois**

Arcola Fire Protection District  
Carroll Fire Protection District  
Champaign Fire Department  
Eastern Prairie Fire Protection District  
Edge-Scott Fire Protection District  
Sangamon Valley Fire Protection District (Village of Fisher)  
Pesotum Fire Protection District  
Sadorus Fire Protection District  
Savoy Fire Department  
Sidney Fire Protection District  
St. Joseph-Stanton Fire Department  
Tolono Fire Protection District  
Tuscola Fire Department  
U of I Willard Airport Fire Department  
Urbana Fire Department  
Villa Grove Fire Department  
Lincoln Fire Department  
Lincoln Rural Fire Department  
Mt. Pulaski Fire Department  
City of Pekin Fire Department  
Cincinnati Fire Protection District  
Andalusia Fire Protection District  
Bartonville Fire Department  
Farmington Fire Protection District  
Chillicothe Community Fire Protection District  
Limestone Township Fire Protection District  
Timber-Hollis Fire Protection District  
Logan Trivoli Fire Protection District  
Peoria Fire Department  
Dunlap Fire Protection District

Washington Fire Department  
West Peoria Fire Protection District  
Pontiac Fire Department  
Saunemin Fire Protection District

## **Southern Illinois**

Alhambra Volunteer Fire Department

City of Alton Fire Department  
Cottage Hills Fire Protection District  
Dorsey Fire Protection District  
Godfrey Fire Protection District  
Hardin Fire Protection District  
Jerseyville Fire Protection District  
Olive Livingston Fire Department  
QEM Fire Protection District  
Cairo Fire Department  
Belleville Fire Department  
Church Road Fire Protection District  
Columbia Fire Department