



Stephens City Fire and Rescue Company, Inc.

P.O. Box 253 Stephens City, VA 22655

John W. Jones, I Fire Chief

540-869-4576 Business
540-869-6784 Fax

David M. Foley II, President

Fall Fund Drive 2016

As we head toward the end of another busy year, we would like to thank you, your family and this community for all the support that has been provided to this fire and rescue company. Whether you just moved in or lifelong resident we are here for you in your time of need. Never hesitate placing a call to 911 for emergency service; those minutes could be critical for a successful response.

As our community has grown so has the need for our services. With that in mind our goal is to maintain two frontline all-weather Advance Life Support (ALS) Transport Units available for Emergency Medical Service calls; while also maintaining a reserve unit for backup, maintenance and repairs to front line units. These units must be "at the ready" 24 hours a day to serve the 23,000+ residents in the 50 square miles we provide service to.

Every year about 735,000 Americans have a heart attack. Of these, 525,000 are a first heart attack and 210,000 happen in people who have already had a heart attack.* Last year we responded to over 2,400 calls of which 1,123 were for Advance Life Support. During this type of call one of the most used pieces of lifesaving equipment is a heart monitor/defibrillator. With advances in technology and the age of our current equipment the time has come to upgrade these devices. These new heart monitor/defibrillator units offer advanced support in treating cardiac patients and aiding with advanced therapeutic care.

We have applied for a grant to offset the \$118,000 cost for three new heart monitor/defibrillator units; the grant also contains a request for aide to purchase a new \$210,000 all-weather Advance Life Support (ALS) Transport Unit to meet our response goals for the community.

****UPDATE****

As you may or may not know we are purchasing a new structural firefighting pumper. This will be the front line fire engine for our community, carrying 1,000 gallons of water and a full complement of tools and equipment for protection and preservation of our homes and businesses. Funding has been secured and construction is underway for the NEW ENGINE 11. We hope to take delivery of a new Pierce Velocity Pumper by years end. We have started procuring \$35,000 worth of equipment for Engine 11; this includes over 2,700 feet of various sized hose, a dozen nozzles, over 100 hand tools, fans and other equipment needed to operate.

Along with the day to day expenses of fuel, maintenance, insurance and housing of the equipment, the additional task of equipping the new engine and EMS purchases has strained our budget but we cannot wait any longer. Your support makes this possible.

We are always looking for new members; applicants can start as young as 16 years old. If you don't think that actual firefighting or EMS is for you, there are many other ways to volunteer and help out. For information you may call us at 540-869-4576 or visit us on the web at www.stephenscityfire.com.

The Stephens City Fire and Rescue Company, Inc. is a non-profit organization under IRS code. Your donation can be tax deductible.

*Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)

chief11@stephenscityfire.com

"VOLUNTEERS PROUD TO SERVE"

president11@stephenscityfire.com

