

Missouri American Water Announces Recipients of 2024 Firefighter Grant Program

Annual program provides critical funding to Missouri fire departments and emergency organizations in the company's service areas.





ST. LOUIS, Mo. (October 3, 2024) – More than \$46,000 is being awarded to Missouri fire departments and emergency response organizations through Missouri American Water’s 2024 Firefighter Grant Program. The annual program provides supplemental funding for critical equipment, training, and community education. Nearly 290 grants have been awarded since the program began in 2016.

“As the water provider for one in four Missourians, we understand the role fire protection plays in the overall vitality of the communities we serve,” said Rich Svindland, president of Missouri American Water. “October is National Fire Prevention Month, and we’re proud to provide grants to provide training and equipment that will enhance the safety of firefighters, first responders and citizens throughout the state.”

Reliable water service is critical for fire protection, and Missouri American Water is investing more than \$500 million this year to improve service and reliability. Many older water mains are upsized when replaced, increasing water flow to enhance fire protection. The company also maintains and annually tests 44,000 fire hydrants throughout the company’s footprint.

Grants will be distributed to 39 fire departments across Missouri. The recipients are:

- Afton Fire Protection District
- Berkeley Fire Department
- Black Jack Fire Protection District
- Branson Fire and Rescue
- Brunswick Volunteer Fire Department
- Central Crossing Fire Protection District
- City of Joplin Fire Department
- City of Ladue Fire Department
- City of Maplewood Fire Department
- Clayton Fire Department
- Community Fire Protection District
- DeKalb Fire Protection District
- Duenweg Volunteer Fire Department
- Eureka Fire Protection District
- Ferguson Fire Department

Florissant Valley Fire Protection District
Frontenac Fire Department
Glendale Fire Department
Jefferson City Fire Department
Kirkwood Fire Department
Lemay Fire Protection District
Lincoln County Fire Protection District 1
Metro North Fire Protection District
Monarch Fire Protection District
Northeast Ambulance and Fire District
Olivette Fire Department
Orrick Fire Protection District
Pattonville Fire Protection District
Riverside Fire Department
Rock Community Fire Protection District
Rock Hill Fire Department
St. Charles County Fire Rehab
St. Joseph Fire Department
Stewartsville Fire Department
University City Fire Department
Valley Park Fire Protection District
Warrensburg Fire Department
West Overland EMS and Fire Protection District
Wheatland Fire d/b/a Central Hickory Fire Rescue

About Missouri American Water

Missouri American Water, a subsidiary of American Water (NYSE: AWK), is the largest regulated water utility in the state, providing high-quality and reliable water and wastewater services to approximately 1.6 million people.

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