

Hooversville Volunteer Fire Department

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Dear Friend:

Once again, the Hooversville Volunteer Fire Department is asking the residents of our fire protection area for their support. All residents of our fire protection area can take pride in our local fire department for the standards of excellence maintained by our volunteers, along with maintenance, updating, and even the replacement of valuable lifesaving and fire fighting equipment.

Annually, the fire department spends \$10,500 for Vehicle and Liability Insurance, and \$12,000 for vehicle maintenance and up-keep. Costs have increased to properly equip and protect each of our volunteer firefighters when they respond on all emergency calls, with the average cost being \$7,800 per firefighter. To ensure a firefighter's safety, the Protective Clothing they wear must be kept in excellent condition, and replaced as needed when any kind of wear is detected.

Earlier this year, with the help of a State Fire Grant and proceeds from fund raising activities and donations, we were able to pay off a \$50,000 bank loan 3 years ahead of schedule. This bank loan was used towards the \$89,000 purchase price of a Spartan Rescue/Pumper in July 2007.

Everyone is aware of the current economic situation in this area. However, we also recognize the value of an adequately maintained fire department. Most of our financial support comes from your donations and if we can't get this kind of support, we may request our municipal governments to raise taxes to support and maintain our public safety services.

Please send your tax-deductible donation in the enclosed, self-addressed envelope. A check or money order is preferred. **PLEASE, DO NOT SEND CASH.**

Give what you can, and remember, "Your local VOLUNTEER Fire Department is on call 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year. How much is this worth to you?"

To learn more about the fire department, and keep up with its daily news and activities, visits us on the Internet @ www.station614.com.

Thank you for your support!

The Officers and Members of the
Hooversville Volunteer Fire Department