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Shuster Announces DHS Grant to the Connellsville Township Volunteer Fire Department

Washington, D.C. - **Congressman Bill Shuster** is pleased to announce that the Connellsville Township Volunteer Fire Department has been awarded Assistance to Fire Fighters Grants from the Department of Homeland Security in the amount of \$75,514.

The Connellsville Township Volunteer Fire Department will use the grant to purchase 38 sets of “bunker gear,” which is the protective clothing worn by firefighters.

“I congratulate the Connellsville Township Volunteer Fire Department on their successful grant application,” Shuster said. “Small departments like this would be unable to buy the safety equipment they need without a grant like this.”

“The fire department will use this grant to make essential improvements to better serve its community and keep its firefighters safe,” Shuster added. “This is a win-win all around.”

The Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program (AFGP) awards one-year grants directly to fire departments and rescue personnel to support the nation’s first responders and the services they deliver. The Department of Homeland Security’s Office of State and Local Government Coordination and Preparedness (SLGCP) administers the program, in cooperation with the U.S. Fire Administration.

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