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Tomball Sends Aid to Galveston

The City of Tomball will send five employees to assist Galveston County in their rebuilding efforts. Tomball will provide two police officers (Jason Smith and Stephen Tucker) in a marked patrol unit. These officers will be part of a multiagency contingent of public safety employees coordinated by the Houston Area Police Chief's Association, and they will assist the City of Galveston in their relief, recovery and security operations.

Three volunteers from the Tomball Fire Department (Scott Nixdorf, Kurt White and Brett Winiskie) have also been deployed to Galveston County to support local fire departments on the island. The volunteers, members of a larger contingent of apparatus and manpower from several Harris County Fire Departments will be on assignment to relieve firefighters that have been working since the onset of Hurricane Ike. The Tomball volunteers will work with members of the Spring Volunteer Fire Department and respond to calls on one of Spring VFD's apparatus.

Tomball Mayor Gretchen Fagan said, "I am proud of our police officers and fire fighters and the tremendous job they did for the people of Tomball. They will now be assisting our fellow communities that are much less fortunate than we are."

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