

Firehouse Subs Public Safety Foundation

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Applicant and Department Information
Firehouse Subs Public Safety Foundation
Grant Application

Organization/Department: Collin County Sheriff's Office

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* Contact information for two separate individuals must be included in order for your application to be considered.

Communities Served: Collin County/Lake Lavon (which spans 21,400 acres and a portion of Lake Ray Hubbard

Population: 1.195 million

Number of Runs/Calls for Service per Year (for fire, EMS and police only): 2024: 197

Application Request Information

What Equipment are you requesting? Please include the quantity of each item.

Item Name	Qty.	Description	Rate	Amount
AHF-RP25S SIN Code: 336612	1	All Hands Rescue Pro: Tohatsu 25HP Short Shaft Motor w/Rescue Pumpjet Installed, Gas Tank, & Fuel Line	6,598.00	6,598.00
IMG-380-PT-HD-S	1	INMAR Patrol 380 - 12' 6" Mehler Inflatable Boat with Aluminum Floor, Short Shaft, & Welded Seams *Sourcewell 020124-ALH Equipment & Rescue Tools 5% Off List: \$3,695.00*	3,510.25	3,510.25
LTC-250T315ST	1	Loadmaster Fixed Stack Trailer *Sourcewell 020124-ALH Equipment & Rescue Tools 5% Off List: \$24,600.00*	23,370.00	23,370.00
IMG-430-RR	1	Inmar 430 Rescue Raft *Sourcewell 020124-ALH Equipment & Rescue Tools 5% Off List: \$2,995.95*	2,846.15	2,846.15
Subtotal				36,324.40
Shipping Cost (FedEX Ground Orders Over \$1,000)				4,500.00
Total				40,824.40

Vendor company name: All Hands Fire Equipment

Sales representative first and last name: Scott T. Colarusso

Sales representative email address: scott@allhandsfire.com

What is the TOTAL cost of the equipment? Include sales tax and shipping, where applicable. Requests exceeding \$50,000 will not be accepted.

The cost of the equipment: \$40,824.40

I understand that in order to be considered for funding, the total dollar amount and equipment quantities listed on the submitted quote/bid must match the total above. Yes

Has your department applied for this specific request in the past and been denied? ____ Yes X No

Briefly explain how the equipment will benefit your community and your department.

The equipment will significantly improve our ability to respond to water-related emergencies, increase operational efficiency, and ensure the safety of both rescuers and victims.

Equipment Needs and Rationale

1. Rescue Boat:

- **Purpose:** A specialized **rescue boat** is essential for efficient deployment during water rescues. The new boat will enable rapid access to remote or difficult-to-reach locations in bodies of water such as Lake Lavon, Lake Ray Hubbard, and surrounding areas.
- **Benefits:**
 - Increased stability and maneuverability in turbulent conditions.
 - Enhanced capacity for carrying rescuers and victims safely.
 - Ability to conduct rescues in both still and swift-moving water.
 - Easily access bodies of water that are hard to get to.

2. Rescue Raft:

- **Purpose:** A **swift water raft** is designed for rescue operations in fast-moving waters. The raft will be used to rescue individuals from rapidly moving currents and provide emergency transport to safety.
- **Benefits:**
 - Essential for navigating in fast-flowing waters, such as during floods or after heavy rainfall.
 - Flexible and lightweight, allowing for quick deployment in flood-prone areas.
 - Provides additional safety for rescue personnel and victims in high-risk environments.

3. Trailer for Quick Deployment:

- **Purpose:** A **trailer** to house and transport the new equipment, ensuring that the rescue boat, raft, and all necessary gear can be quickly mobilized during emergencies.
- **Benefits:**
 - Allows for fast, organized deployment of equipment to various locations.
 - Provides secure storage for equipment, ensuring that it remains in optimal condition.
 - Enables easy transportation to different bodies of water within and outside the county.

Operational Impact

The acquisition of these critical tools will:

- **Enhance Response Time:** With the new boat and raft, the team will be able to respond more quickly to water emergencies, potentially saving lives during critical situations.
- **Increase Efficiency:** The trailer ensures that all equipment is stored together and can be transported without delay, enabling the team to set up operations swiftly.
- **Improve Safety:** The new rescue boat and raft are designed to provide safer and more stable platforms for rescuers and victims, reducing the risk of accidents during operations.

The proposed acquisition of a **rescue boat**, **swift water raft**, and **trailer** will significantly enhance the capabilities of the Rescue Dive Team and Swift Water Rescue Operations. These new assets will allow for quicker response times, greater efficiency, and improved safety during rescue and recovery operations in bodies of water, including **Lake Lavon**, **Lake Ray Hubbard**, and beyond.

Your approval of this proposal will ensure that our team is fully equipped to meet the challenges of modern rescue operations, safeguarding both our community and first responders.

Benefits to the Community

1. **Improved Response Times:**
The new equipment will allow the team to respond faster to water emergencies, reducing the time it takes to reach individuals in distress. Quicker response times can be the difference between life and death, particularly in drowning incidents or when people are trapped in swift-moving water.
2. **Enhanced Public Safety:**
With the ability to conduct more effective rescues in both still and swift-moving waters, public safety will be greatly improved. The community can have greater confidence knowing that rescue operations are more equipped and efficient, ensuring they are better protected in times of emergency.
3. **Broader Coverage Area:**
The new equipment will enhance the team's ability to respond not only within **Collin County** but also to neighboring counties or regions in need of water rescue assistance. This expanded reach helps safeguard the surrounding community, making it a regional asset for water rescues in any type of conditions.
4. **Community Trust and Confidence:**
When the public sees that emergency services are investing in advanced and effective equipment, their trust in local authorities grows. A well-equipped and capable team will promote a sense of security and preparedness within the community.

Benefits to the Department

1. **Increased Operational Efficiency:**
The addition of the **trailer** for quick deployment ensures that the Rescue Dive Team can mobilize swiftly and with minimal preparation. Storing the equipment securely and organized on the trailer reduces downtime and allows the team to focus on the mission, not logistics.
2. **Better Responder Safety:**
The new **rescue boat** and **swift water raft** are designed to offer increased stability, maneuverability, and safety for both the rescuers and the victims. The team will have access to higher-quality, more reliable tools, reducing the likelihood of accidents or complications during operations.

3. **Increased Capability and Versatility:**

The swift water raft, specifically designed for fast-moving waters, will allow the team to handle a broader range of rescue scenarios, particularly during flood situations or in bodies of water with strong currents. This versatility makes the department more adaptable to various emergencies, further enhancing overall performance.

4. **Improved Training Opportunities:**

With updated equipment, the department will be able to enhance training exercises for all team members, ensuring that they are familiar with the latest tools and techniques. This will not only improve team performance but also contribute to professional development within the department.

The new **rescue boat**, **swift water raft**, and **trailer** will bring substantial benefits to both the **community** and the **department**. For the community, it means faster, safer, and more reliable responses to water-related emergencies, while for the department, it translates into more efficient, versatile, and safer rescue operations. Ultimately, this investment ensures that both the department and the community are better equipped to handle water emergencies, further strengthening public safety and trust in local emergency services.

Community Impact

Was there a particular instance where a life would have been positively impacted if you would have had the equipment available?

Specific Instance: Impact of Equipment on Life-Saving Potential

There have been incidents in the past where the **Rescue Dive Team** and **Swift Water Rescue Operations** faced challenges due to the lack of specialized equipment. One such instance was the drowning of a young girl and another near the dam on Lake Lavon, where access to the area was only possible with a **swift water raft**. The inability to deploy the proper equipment in these situations significantly hindered the effectiveness of the rescue effort. Below is a detailed overview of how the requested equipment would have positively impacted these incidents.

1. Sherman Drowning – Need for a Rescue Boat

Incident Summary:

During the tragic **Sherman drowning** of a young girl, the **Rescue Dive Team** faced significant delays in reaching the location due to the lack of a reliable, fast-moving **rescue boat**. The area in question was difficult to access, and the available equipment was not suited for the conditions, which resulted in delayed response times that may have impacted the outcome.

How the New Equipment Would Have Helped:

With the requested **rescue boat**, the team would have been able to quickly reach the area of the drowning incident, potentially saving valuable time in retrieving the victim. The **rescue boat** is specifically designed to provide the stability and maneuverability needed to navigate challenging water conditions, ensuring that the team could have arrived more swiftly and safely, both for rescuers and victims.

Positive Outcome with the Equipment:

Had the **rescue boat** been available, the team could have reached the scene faster, possibly providing a more effective recovery operation and giving the child a higher chance of recovery.

2. Drowning at the Dam – Need for a Swift Water Raft**Incident Summary:**

A drowning incident occurred near the **dam on Lake Lavon**, where access to the victim was restricted due to strong, rapidly moving water. The team faced considerable difficulty in reaching the victim in this high-risk environment, and the lack of a **swift water raft** hindered the rescue operation. The swift currents and the geographical features of the area made it nearly impossible to conduct a safe and effective rescue without this specific equipment.

How the New Equipment Would Have Helped:

The **swift water raft** would have been essential in this situation. Designed specifically for navigating fast-moving water, the raft would have allowed the team to safely reach the victim, even in challenging conditions such as those at the **dam**. With the raft, the team could have quickly and safely maneuvered through the currents to reach the individual in need of rescue.

Positive Outcome with the Equipment:

Had the **swift water raft** been available, the team would have been able to access the area more efficiently, providing the necessary assistance to the victim. The raft's design would have ensured the safety of both the rescuers and the person being rescued, allowing for a successful operation even in swift water environments.

These specific incidents—the **Sherman drowning** and the **drowning at the dam**—highlight the critical need for the **rescue boat**, **swift water raft**, and **trailer**. In both situations, having the appropriate equipment would have not only reduced response times but also significantly increased the chances of a positive outcome. The new equipment we are requesting would provide the team with the necessary tools to handle water rescues more efficiently and effectively, ultimately saving more lives in future emergencies.

What positive effects will the equipment specifically have? Please describe how the requested equipment or funding would benefit your local community. We ask that you do not cite national statistics.

Positive Effects of the Requested Equipment on the Local Community

The requested **rescue boat**, **swift water raft**, and **trailer** will have several positive, tangible effects on the local community, enhancing both public safety and the efficiency of emergency response teams. Below is a breakdown of how the equipment will directly benefit the community:

1. Faster Response Times to Emergencies**Impact on the Community:**

- The **rescue boat** and **swift water raft** will allow the team to respond more quickly to water emergencies, whether it's a drowning, rescue from a submerged vehicle, or stranded individuals in swift-moving water. This improvement in response time can mean the difference between life and death, especially in drowning situations or when someone is trapped in floodwaters.

Specific Benefit:

- In emergencies, faster access to individuals in distress can significantly reduce the severity of injury or potential fatalities, enhancing overall community safety.

2. Increased Rescue Capacity in Diverse Water Conditions

Impact on the Community:

- **Lake Lavon, Lake Ray Hubbard**, and the local rivers often present unique challenges such as strong currents, low visibility, or hard-to-reach areas. The **swift water raft** is specifically designed for these types of high-risk, moving water environments, making it an invaluable tool during floods or when responding to rescues in rapidly changing water conditions.

Specific Benefit:

- The ability to safely navigate these challenging conditions increases the likelihood of successful rescues, which helps protect residents and visitors during critical situations in and around the community.

3. Enhanced Safety for Rescuers and Victims

Impact on the Community:

- Both the **rescue boat** and the **swift water raft** are designed for safety and stability, ensuring that rescuers and victims remain secure throughout the operation. The boat's stability and the raft's ability to withstand swift currents mean that rescue personnel are less likely to be put at risk during operations, and individuals being rescued are more likely to be brought to safety without injury.

Specific Benefit:

- Having more reliable, purpose-built equipment will reduce the chances of accidents during high-stakes operations, which directly translates to increased safety for both the victims and the responders in these life-saving efforts.

4. Improved Community Confidence in Emergency Services

Impact on the Community:

- The community's trust in local emergency services is built on the understanding that responders are well-equipped and prepared for any crisis. By investing in state-of-the-art equipment like the

rescue boat, swift water raft, and trailer, the department shows a commitment to maintaining readiness and providing the highest standard of emergency response.

Specific Benefit:

- The local community will have greater confidence in the department's ability to protect them during water-related emergencies. This trust is especially important for residents near large bodies of water or in flood-prone areas.

5. More Efficient and Effective Resource Management

Impact on the Community:

- The **trailer** enables quick and organized deployment of the equipment, ensuring that the team can mobilize rapidly without delays. The new equipment will be stored securely and ready for immediate use, cutting down on preparation time and enabling the team to respond to calls faster.

Specific Benefit:

- This operational efficiency reduces wait times for rescue operations, which ultimately increases the likelihood of saving lives. It also ensures the department can respond not only to local emergencies but also to mutual aid requests from neighboring jurisdictions, enhancing regional safety.

6. Enhanced Preparedness for Natural Disasters

Impact on the Community:

- In cases of flooding or extreme weather conditions, the **swift water raft** and **rescue boat** provide the necessary tools to carry out swift water rescues. These conditions are becoming more frequent due to climate change, making it increasingly important to be prepared for large-scale water-related disasters.

Specific Benefit:

- The community will be better prepared for potential natural disasters, such as flash floods or rising waters, knowing that the department has the equipment necessary to provide timely rescues and prevent loss of life.

The **rescue boat, swift water raft, and trailer** will have far-reaching positive effects on the local community. By improving response times, increasing operational capacity in challenging environments, and enhancing both rescuer and victim safety, these tools will directly contribute to saving lives and preventing injuries. The added benefit of increased community trust and confidence in emergency services ensures that the department remains a trusted pillar of public safety, well-equipped to respond to the evolving needs of the community.

Firehouse Subs Relationship

Address of Firehouse Subs location nearest you:

2890 Craig Dr.
McKinney, TX 75070

How far is this location from your department? 4.8 miles

How did you hear about our organization? We heard of your organization through a law enforcement agency during a leadership course in Arlington, TX.

Has your department received funding from Firehouse Subs Public Safety Foundation in the past two years? No

This information will be verified, if submitted incorrectly it will result in an automatic denial. No

It is strongly recommended and greatly appreciated that your organization acknowledges the donation by displaying our Foundation logo on donated items/equipment whenever possible. Please note that the artwork will need to be approved by our Foundation team before being displayed.

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Firehouse Subs Public Safety Foundation Print/Video Release

Applicant First and Last Name: Sgt. Jessica Pond

Applicant Organization: Collin County Sheriff's Office

Date: 3/31/2025

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