

Jackson Fire Department

November 2009

Dear Jackson Resident, Friend, and Supporter,

The members of the Jackson Firefighter's Association are writing to you for your financial support for a fund-raising project of great importance to the Jackson Fire Department and the town of Jackson.

The Jackson Firefighter's Association (JFFA) is the non-profit support organization of the Jackson Fire Department and supplements the annual Fire Department budget in fundraising, training and additional equipment purchases vital to public safety in the community. It is not often that the JFFA embarks on a major public fundraising drive to support our work in the community. The last time this occurred was when the JFFA successfully raised \$25,000 in 1994 for the purchase of vehicle extrication tools to outfit our new rescue engine. In the time since these tools were purchased, the department has responded to many serious accidents and have used the training and extrication tools to help many in the community.

Currently the JFFA is actively fundraising for the purchase of a thermal imaging device. This essential modern firefighting tool is used to identify fire locations, and more importantly to locate trapped or injured victims or firefighters very quickly, especially where fire and smoke conditions limit visibility. There are countless examples nationwide of lives that have been saved by having the first-in-the-building firefighter having this technology at their disposal. To see a demonstration of the thermal imaging camera and to learn more about its use and importance, please visit our website at: www.jacksonfiredepartment.org

Our goal is to raise \$18,000 for the purchase of the thermal imaging equipment and training for its use. We have raised \$4,000 so far, and invite you to please check our fundraising progress on the "thermometer" outside the firehouse in the village.

Would you please consider supporting us at a level of \$50.00 or perhaps more if it is possible? We know that we are all facing challenging economic times. We do not come to the community often seeking support, and are in critical need of this vital piece of equipment for the safety of the community and the people that we all treasure. The JFFA is a 501(c)(3) so your donation is fully tax – deductible according to IRS regulations.

Thank you for your consideration and if you have any questions please don't hesitate to contact any Jackson firefighter personally or e-mail us at: jacksonfiredept@gmail.com.

Sincerely,

The Jackson Firefighters Association

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