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CITY OF PIKEVILLE VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT AWARDED GRANT FROM FIREHOUSE SUBS PUBLIC SAFETY FOUNDATION® FOR CRITICAL LIFESAVING EQUIPMENT

Grant is part of more than \$96 million given by Firehouse Subs Public Safety Foundation to support safety across the U.S.

PIKEVILLE, Tenn) (02/06/2026) – As first responders continue to serve City of Pikeville residents and surrounding communities, it’s important that The City of Pikeville Volunteer Fire Department remains properly equipped to handle all emergencies. Firehouse Subs Public Safety Foundation® recognized the need for new lifesaving equipment and recently awarded a \$26,979.00 grant to purchase a swiftwater boat, motor, trailer, eight (8) dry suits, and other associated swiftwater equipment.

The new swiftwater boat, dry suits, and other swiftwater equipment will equip the department with the necessary equipment that is often difficult to obtain funding for but is extremely useful in the event of flooding. Ultimately improving the lifesaving capabilities of first responders when called into action.

“We are grateful to the Foundation and our local Firehouse Subs® in Crossville, Tennessee for providing us with this invaluable funding,” said Dylan Hankins, Assistant Chief, City of Pikeville Volunteer Fire Department. “The added benefit of having the very best equipment on hand means everything in an emergency when every second counts.”

For the past 19 years, charitable donations have been the driving force behind Firehouse Subs Public Safety Foundation supporting first responders and public safety organizations nationwide.

The Firehouse Subs Public Safety Foundation has awarded 6,841 grants valued at over \$96 million to public safety organizations since 2005. This grant is one of 87 the Foundation awarded during the most recent grant cycle. The 87 grants will provide critical lifesaving equipment valued at more than \$2.1 million across the U.S.

To donate and learn more, visit any Firehouse Subs restaurant or the Firehouse Subs Public Safety Foundation website at [FirehouseSubsFoundation.org](https://www.FirehouseSubsFoundation.org).

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About Firehouse Subs Public Safety Foundation®

In 2005, the Firehouse Subs® founders established the 501(c)(3), non-profit Firehouse Subs Public Safety Foundation®. The charity provides lifesaving equipment, prevention education, scholarships and continued education, and disaster relief for first responders and public safety organizations, as well as support for military veterans. Since inception, the Firehouse Subs Public Safety Foundation has awarded more than \$96 million to hometown heroes in all 50 states and Puerto Rico. Support for Canadian first responders is provided through the Firehouse Subs Public Safety Foundation of Canada®.

The Firehouse Subs Public Safety Foundation is honored to be listed as a four-star nonprofit organization, the highest designation, by Charity Navigator. Charity Navigator is the nation's largest and most-utilized evaluator of charities. Grant allocations are made possible thanks to the overwhelming support of Firehouse Subs restaurants and generous donors. More than 70% of the funds raised for the Firehouse Subs Public Safety Foundation come from the generosity of Firehouse Subs guests and the restaurant brand. Please consider supporting a Firehouse Subs restaurant near you!