

June 16, 2012

City of St. Paul  
St. Paul Fire Department



Dear Chief Butler,

Fire Rescue Alliance is requesting your assistance in the donation of old equipment to support the Country Of Liberia's National Fire Service.

Fire Rescue Alliance is a subsidiary of Give Them Hope Ministries an IRS approved 501 (c)(3) public charity located in St. Michael, Minnesota. Our group is made up of Public Safety professionals from all disciplines. Our goal is to support the Country of Liberia National Fire Service in developing an effective Public Safety response system. Our mission began in March of 2012 with an evaluation concluding with the drafting of a Fire/ EMS strategic plan.

The Country of Liberia was founded in in 1847 to re-introduce the freed American Slaves back to Africa. The country is founded on the same constitution as the United States. The country's Capital is named Monrovia after U.S. President James Monroe. In 1990's and early 2000's, the country went through a civil war that decimated the country and its essential services. The country has now stabilized and returned to a democratic form of government. The next years will be the rebuilding process of all services to its over 3 million residents.

Today, the country is poverty stricken and has the National Fire Service protecting an area the size of Ohio while only having 2 operating fire stations and little to no equipment. They respond to fires with no personal protective gear and other essential equipment that we are accustomed to in the United States.

The mission of the Fire Rescue Alliance is to execute a 5-year strategic plan to assist in equipping and training their staff for basic fire and emergency medical services. The group of Subject Matter Experts (SME) is donating their time to evaluate the current target hazards located within the country, identify facility and equipment needs, secure funding from outside sources and provide oversight into the implementation of the plan.

What we are looking for are donation's to support the mission. Currently, we have had a number of public safety organizations that have donated equipment to begin the process as well as shipping contractor to ensure its delivery to the country.

In meeting with your staff at the Training Center, the donations we are specifically interested in are;

Pallet 1 Depreciated Value \$50  
22 Life Jackets, Mustang Survival Type III PFD.

Bunker Coats four Yellow four White.  
Two boxes miscellaneous VCR fire related training tapes.

Pallet 2 Depreciated Value \$50  
Bunker Pants, 16 pairs White, one pair Red.  
Bunker Coats, 19 Yellow, eight White, Three Red.

What you will receive for your contribution to the mission;

- A receipt recognizing your donation for a tax deduction.
- Public recognition for the donation.
- Updates on the progress of the mission.
- A sense of pride of knowing you are helping an entire country in something many individuals take for granted in this country.

Whatever your final decisions is, all of us at the Fire Rescue Alliance would like to say "Thank You" for considering this request and greatly appreciate any assistance you can give.

Respectfully,



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