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Subject: ORANGE COUNTY FIRE AUTHORITY RECEIVES MAJOR DONATION TO EDUCATE YOUTH- \$11,563 GRANT TO FUND FIRE SAFETY EDUCATION AND OUTREACH

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Irvine, CA – DLD Insurance Brokers and Fireman's Fund Insurance Company are joining forces to award an \$11,563 grant to the Orange County Fire Authority (OCFA) to expand and enhance the department's community education efforts. Fire officials, OCFA firefighters, and executives from DLD Insurance Brokers and Fireman's Fund will come together for a special check presentation on Tuesday, March 23rd at 11 a.m. at OCFA Headquarters located at 1 Fire Authority Rd. in Irvine, Ca.

"We will use the money for our Team Fire Force Program which is aimed at educating fourth grade students about common health and safety issues," said OCFA Battalion Chief Kris Concepcion. "Team Fire Force is a three-phase program which includes a multimedia presentation, teacher-guided classroom curriculum, and a presentation from local firefighters. Medical calls are the most common emergencies we respond to throughout the county, and this program aims at reducing injuries specifically among younger children."

The grant package is part of a nationwide philanthropic program funded by Fireman's Fund Insurance Company. The program is designed to provide needed equipment, training and educational tools to local fire departments. Since 2004, Fireman's Fund has issued grants to over 1,500 different departments totaling more than \$25 million. The Fireman's Fund has awarded \$ 7,389,926 to fire agencies here in California. Independent insurance agencies that sell Fireman's Fund products, like DLD Insurance Brokers, are able to direct these grants to support fire stations in their communities. "We are proud to support this community in such an important way," said Dana Dowers, the CEO for DLD Insurance Brokers. "Fire safety education helps reduce injuries and fires and ultimately makes our children and community safer."

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About DLD Insurance Brokers

DLD Insurance Brokers, Inc. is a privately owned company, founded by CEO, [Dana Dowers](#), in 1989. Their headquarters in Irvine, California offers a warm and private environment for their staff, clients, and partners. Their relationships with "A" rated insurance partners allow them to provide top level service for clients worldwide. For more information, please visit, www.dldins.com

About Fireman's Fund Insurance Company

Fireman's Fund Insurance Company is a premier property and casualty insurance company providing personal, commercial and specialty insurance products nationwide. It is rated 'AA-' by Standard & Poor's Rating Services. Founded in 1863 with a mission to support firefighters, Fireman's Fund continues this effort today through its national philanthropic efforts. Fireman's Fund is a member of the Allianz Group (NYSE: AZ), one of the largest providers of insurance and other financial services. For more information, visit www.firemansfund.com

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The Orange County Fire Authority is a joint powers authority that serves more than 1.3 million residents in 22 cities and the unincorporated areas of the county.