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Shrewsbury Fire Department Awarded Funding from the Firefighter Safety Equipment Grant Program

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(Boston-01/12/2022) Senator Michael Moore and Representative Hannah Kane are pleased to announce that the Shrewsbury Fire Department has been awarded grant funding from the Baker-Polito Administration as part of the Fiscal Year 2022 Firefighter Safety Grant Program.

"The firefighters throughout the towns and cities across our state are some of the bravest men and women in the Commonwealth," said Senator Moore (D-Millbury). "Their occupation comes with substantial risk, but it is a risk they willingly take in order to ensure the wellbeing and safety of residents in their local communities. Therefore, they must have all the necessary safety equipment, which can be further supplied through this grant funding."

"I am grateful to the Baker-Polito Administration for acknowledging the great risk firefighters take to protect residents through the Firefighter Safety Grant Program and pleased that this funding has been awarded to the Shrewsbury Fire Department. Thank you to the Shrewsbury Fire Department for working hard to keep our community safe," remarked Representative Kane (R-Shrewsbury).

"We are highly appreciative of the investment that our State Leaders and Legislators have made in the Fire Service across the Commonwealth" said Fire Chief Jim Vuona. "The additional funding we receive will go directly to outfitting our firefighters with brand new, NFPA compliant structural firefighting gear - including helmets, jackets, pants, boots, gloves and protective hoods."

The goal of this grant program is to provide fire departments with the necessary protective and safety equipment to meet the National Fire Protection Agency (NFPA) and Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) standards. \$5 million was made available in this round of funding.

The Shrewsbury Fire Department has been awarded \$20,979.99.