



Chackbay Volunteer Fire Department

103 Moonflower Drive Thibodaux, La 70301

(985) 633-2828

PRESS RELEASE

For Additional Info Contact:

Chief Joshua Falgoust – (985) 859-4859

August 5, 2020

The Chackbay Fire Department has been awarded a FY2020 FEMA Assistance to Firefighters COVID-19 Supplemental (AFG-S) Grant in the amount of \$4,259.86 to be used to procure Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) for use by the department's volunteer firefighters and emergency medical responders. The Chackbay Fire Department will be required to match the federal award with \$212.99 in local department funds for a total of \$4472.85 in funds to be expended for PPE.

"We appreciate the work of our federal delegation in ensuring that our department has the equipment necessary to protect not only the community but our first responders as well," notes Chackbay Fire Chief Joshua Falgoust. He adds, "We will be procuring items such as N95 protective masks, safety glasses, nitrile medical gloves, disposable Tyvek coveralls, and surgical type face masks to equip our personnel for emergency responses in a COVID-19 environment." Some of the money will be used to reimburse the department for PPE items that were purchased in March and April at the beginning of the COVID-19 pandemic.

----End----