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**FIVE FIRE DISTRICTS IN CAMERON PARISH WILL PURCHASE NEW EQUIPMENT THANKS TO USDA RURAL DEVELOPMENT GRANTS**  
**Congressman Charles Boustany and State Director Clyde Holloway Present Grant Funds to Fire Districts**

JOHNSON BAYOU, September 14, 2007 – Congressman Charles Boustany joined USDA Rural Development State Director Clyde Holloway today in Johnson Bayou to present federal grant funds to five Cameron Parish Fire Districts.

“USDA Rural Development is committed to helping Louisiana’s communities recover from the hurricanes of 2005,” said Holloway. “The funds we presented today will ensure that Cameron Parish residents receive the best protection possible in the face of future emergency situations.”

Funding presented:

<b>Fire District</b>	<b>Received</b>	<b>For</b>
Cameron Fire Protection District #7 - Creole	\$300,000 Grant	A new pumper truck, apparatus truck, and related fire protection equipment
Cameron Fire Protection District #9 – Grand Chenier	\$80,000 Grant	A new command post trailer
Cameron Fire Protection District #10 – Johnson Bayou	\$400,000 Grant	A ladder truck and ancillary equipment
Fire Protection District #14 of Parish of Cameron – Grand Lake, Sweet Lake, and surrounding area	\$550,000 Grant	A ladder truck, equipment and related incidentals for four existing trucks, communication equipment, and 20 sets of bunker gear/self-contained breathing apparatus
Hackberry Fire Protection District - Hackberry	\$300,000 Grant	An emergency response system and vehicle

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These grants were awarded through the USDA Rural Development Community Facilities Program, which offers grants, loans, and loan guarantees to develop essential community facilities in rural areas and towns up to 20,000 in population.

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