



NEOSHO TOWNSHIP FIRE DEPARTMENT

January 20, 2026

To Whom it May Concern,

The financial needs for our Volunteer Fire Department will support purchases of (PPE) Personal Protective Equipment for health and safety of our Firefighters. With escalating costs we are not able to provide the latest and most current equipment required.

- We are presently using 15 year old (SCBA) Self Contained Breathing Apparatus which will need to be replaced due to out of date.
- Firefighter Bunker gear suits have to be replaced for all personnel every 3-4 years. Ours are four years old this year 2026.
- All volunteer firefighters require on-going personal training and we continue to send them to Fire Schools around the state.
- The Equipment requirements at the department have to be updated and we are planning to purchase a combo set of Battery powered Rescue tools for our department this year. Presently using 20 year old hydraulic rescue tools in the departments Rescue Truck.

With increased operating expenses of the department, the present annual mils received we are unable to budget the above PPE and Equipment.

Please let me know if you need any further information.

Sincerely,
Keith Keller
NTFD Fire Chief