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Representative Brady Joins Bloomington Township Fire Department To Roll Out New Truck

Bloomington... Representative Dan Brady (R-Bloomington) joined Bloomington Township Fire Department Chief Tom Willan to roll out the department's new fire truck. The pumper/tanker truck was purchased with the help of \$180,000 from the state's capital bill program *Illinois Jobs Now!*

"This new truck is a good example of how tax dollars are coming back to the community to support improvements to public safety," said Rep. Brady. "It is important for first responders to have the best equipment possible when they are responding to a fire."

The total cost of the new truck was \$254,050, with \$180,000 coming from the State of Illinois. The Bloomington Township Fire Protection District will lease the remainder of the cost over a three year period.

"The main focus of the truck will be to deliver water to a rural fire scene in a non-hydrated area," said Chief Willan. "With the addition of this pumper/tanker and other tankers in our four area fire protection districts we will be able to deliver 20,000 gallons of water to the initial report of a structure fire in a rural area."

The new pumper/tanker truck holds 3,000 gallons of water and replaces a 1989 tanker that only held 1,800 gallons of water. The old tanker was sold to a department in Tennessee.

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