

Broadway Fire Department

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We hope that this letter finds you all well. We come to you once again seeking your financial support. Expenses are steadily on the rise, and we depend primarily on donations to help with our daily operations, equipment purchases and upkeep.

As everyone knows, the cost of fuel alone is putting a strain on every budget. We are feeling that as well. All our trucks run on diesel fuel and the current cost is almost unbearable. We know that it is asking for a lot, as we know you are all feeling the strain as well, but we must depend on you to help us get through the year financially. Anderson County Fire Commission does help with an annual allotment, but it is nowhere near enough for us to operate without asking for your help. You all have been so generous over the years, and we are grateful for your support. For just a few examples, Turnout gear for our firefighters has risen to \$3700 for just a coat and pair of pants. That does not include helmet, gloves, boots and hoods that must also be worn. Communications equipment such as radios will cost us around \$6700 each. Our current radios are on the verge of becoming obsolete once the county system is upgraded in the very near future. These radios are crucial to not only our safety, but to yours as well. These are just a few of the big-ticket items that are on our radar and need to be purchased. The turnout gear is an annual expense. Radios will also be an annual expense until we can get all of them upgraded.

As you may know, we were doing an annual portrait drive in the past. We have discontinued that fund raiser and have started having an annual golf tournament in the fall. This year's tournament is scheduled for Monday, September 14. We are currently seeking teams and sponsors for this year. You may contact any of our members for further information if you may be interested in helping with a sponsorship or by having a team to play in the tournament. We will also be seeking donations of items to be placed in an auction on site.

For the past couple of years, we have had several events around the holidays that are free of charge. Donations are accepted but not required. We will be at the substation for Halloween to give treats to all the children. We will also have Santa to stop by the substation around the second weekend of December for free visits and pictures with him. There will be activities and treats available. We hope to see all of you during these events.

You may donate by sending a check via USPS to Broadway Fire Department, PO Box 13631, Anderson SC 29624, by using one of the QR codes listed here, or through our website at www.broadwayfire8.com. (Venmo is currently down as of printing of this letter. We hope to get it back working soon.)

May God bless you and yours in every way possible,

Broadway Fire Protection Association

