Catawba County To Receive \$1.7 Million Grant For Fire/Rescue

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RALEIGH, (SGRToday.com) - The largest grant ever awarded to North Carolina's 10th congressional district will send \$1,777,320 to local fire departments in Catawba County.

Congressman Patrick McHenry made the announcement. The City of Hickory Fire Department in Catawba County is the host department for the grant that comes in the tenth round of this year's Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program, according to the announcement.

McHenry's office says Hickory Fire Chief Fred Hollar indicated that the grant will be used to purchase 800 megahertz radios for all fire and rescue departments located in Catawba County.

"The technology upgrades that will be made possible by this grant will allow Catawba County fire departments to vastly improve their communications and will mean better coordination each time a call is run," McHenry said in the statement.

The grant was awarded through a competitive review process.