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## **WINTER PARK COMMUNITY TO BENEFIT FROM LIFESAVING RESCUE TOOL**

### *High-Tech Infrared Camera Included in Grant Package*

WINTER PARK, Fla. (June 16, 2009) – It has quickly become one of the most important pieces of equipment any fire department can have, and now Winter Park firefighters will be receiving one of the most modern, high-tech versions.

Winter Park-based insurance agency Cooper, Simms, Nelson & Mosley is partnering with Fireman's Fund Insurance Company to award a \$6,259 grant to Winter Park Fire Rescue for a thermal imaging camera.

Thermal imagers use updated technology to enable firefighters to “see” through smoke and darkness to quickly locate anyone trapped in a building during a fire. The infrared cameras can also play a major role in reducing property damage. With one in hand, firefighters can often locate hot spots inside walls and extinguish them before they spread.

“Thermal imagers aren't luxury items—they are essential tools that save lives,” said Winter Park Fire Chief James White. “This device will greatly enhance our rescue efforts.”

Grant funds will also be used to support the department's Community Smoke Detector Program, which places smoke detectors in homes of residents that don't have them. This program has been in place for decades, helping save lives and property.

Chief White will be joined by local officials and Winter Park first responders for the presentation of the grant package. *Chief White will also demonstrate usage of the thermal imaging camera.*

**Date/Time:**

**Tues., June 16**

**11:00 a.m.**

**Location:**

**Winter Park Fire Rescue Dept.**

**343 W. Canton Ave.**

**Winter Park, FL**

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“In this economic climate, the fire service needs financial support more than ever, so we’re proud to give back to Winter Park first responders in a tangible way,” said Steve Simms, president of Cooper, Simms, Nelson & Mosley. “We know this donation will help them better protect the community.”

The grant package is part of a nationwide philanthropic program funded by Fireman’s Fund Insurance Company. The program is designed to provide needed equipment, training and educational tools to local fire departments. Since 2004, Fireman’s Fund has issued grants to over 1,100 different departments totaling more than \$22 million. Independent insurance agencies/brokers that sell Fireman’s Fund products, like Cooper, Simms, Nelson & Mosley, are able to direct these grants to support fire departments.

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