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### St. Tammany Fire District #1 receives fire prevention grant

St. Tammany Fire District No. 1 has received a \$3,000 fire prevention grant from FM Global, one of the world's largest property insurers.

FM Global representatives presented the award to Fire Chief Larry Hess and Chief of Administration Chris Kaufmann last Monday at FD1 headquarters. The award will be used to assist with fire prevention activities in the community.

Because fire continues to be the leading cause of property damage worldwide, during the past 30 years FM Global has contributed millions of dollars in fire prevention grants to fire service organizations around the world.



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"At FM Global, we believe strongly that the majority of property damage is preventable, not inevitable," said Michael Spaziani, manager of the fire prevention grant program. "Far too often, inadequate budgets limit those organizations working to prevent fire from being as proactive as they would like to be. With additional financial support, grant recipients can make a difference in helping to improve property risk in the communities they serve."

Through its Fire Prevention Grant Program ([www.fmglobal.com/grants](http://www.fmglobal.com/grants)), FM Global awards grants quarterly to fire departments-as well as national, state, regional, local and community organizations worldwide-that best demonstrate a need for funding, where dollars can have the most demonstrable impact on preventing fire, or mitigating the damage it can quickly cause.

"We're always delighted when our fire prevention efforts are recognized and rewarded," said FD1 Chief Larry Hess. "I completely agree with Mr. Spaziani that fire damage is preventable, and we work in a variety of ways to educate citizens - especially children - about fire prevention and safety. We're very proud of this award and very appreciative of the grant funds."

To learn more about FM Global's Fire Prevention Grant Program, or to apply for a grant, please visit [www.fmglobal.com/grants](http://www.fmglobal.com/grants).

For more information about Fire District 1, visit [www.stfpd1.org](http://www.stfpd1.org).

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(Pictured above (left to right): Greg Kelly, FD1 Captain; David Glaviano, FM Global; Larry Hess, FD1 Fire Chief; Chris Kaufmann, FD1 Chief of Admin.)

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