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Town of Whitchurch-Stouffville Receives Lifesaving Equipment Grant Award from Firehouse Subs Public Safety Foundation of Canada

Stouffville, Ontario – Whitchurch-Stouffville Fire and Emergency Services is better equipped to keep all community members safe thanks to a grant from Firehouse Subs Public Safety Foundation of Canada. The \$14,977.45 grant will be used to purchase an inflatable fire safety education house (*accessible for persons with disabilities*) fulfilling a critical need within the community.

“We are committed to helping organizations such as Whitchurch-Stouffville Fire and Emergency Services continue their lifesaving work within local communities. We are honored to be able to award this grant and do our part to ensure that the Town of Whitchurch-Stouffville is safer for everyone, including first responders,” said Robin Peters, executive director, Firehouse Subs Public Safety Foundation of Canada.

The inflatable fire safety education house will be used to provide an interactive fun fire safety learning experience for the whole community. Focusing on planning your escape during a fire, the house will help educate the community on smoke alarms, candles, kitchen safety, space heaters and more.

The grant was one of 10 Firehouse Subs Public Safety Foundation of Canada awarded to public safety organizations during the most recent grant application period. The 10 grants total more than \$221,000.

ABOUT FIREHOUSE SUBS PUBLIC SAFETY FOUNDATION OF CANADA

In 2005, the Firehouse Subs Founders established Firehouse Subs Public Safety Foundation in the U.S. with the mission of providing funding, lifesaving equipment, and educational opportunities to first responders and public safety organizations. Ten years later, with the opening of the first Canadian Firehouse Subs restaurant in 2015, the Firehouse Subs Public Safety Foundation of Canada was born. Through this registered charity (BN/Registration #83145 2990), Firehouse Subs Public Safety Foundation of Canada has granted more than **\$1.2 to hometown heroes in Canada.**

IN-RESTAURANT FUNDRAISING INITIATIVES

Each restaurant recycles five-gallon pickle buckets, available to guests for a \$3 donation to the Foundation. Donation canisters on register counters explain the non-profit’s mission and collect spare change, while the Round Up Program allows guests to “round up” their bill to the nearest dollar. All funds raised benefit the Foundation.

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