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## East Haven Fire Department to Bolster Fire Prevention Efforts with FM Global Grant

**EAST HAVEN, Conn.**—The **East Haven Fire Department** has received a **US\$2,000** fire prevention grant from FM Global, one of the world's largest commercial property insurers.

FM Global representative Michael Spaziani presented the award to *Fire Marshal/ Deputy Chief Anthony Moscato and Assistant Chief / Deputy Marshal Charles Licata* at East Haven Fire Headquarters. The award will be used to assist with fire prevention activities in the community to help educate the community and reduce the number of fires. Goody's Hardware Store in East Haven has graciously assisted with our grant application in providing a cost savings for the purchase of smoke detectors by the Department. They will be used to assist low and moderate income families to protect themselves with early warning.

Because fire continues to be the leading cause of property damage worldwide, during the past 35 years FM Global has contributed millions of dollars in fire prevention grants to fire service organizations around the globe. Locally, the company has awarded grants to a number of **Connecticut**-based organizations.

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

Through its Fire Prevention Grant Program, 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.

To learn more about FM Global's Fire Prevention Grant Program, or to apply for a grant, please visit <a href="https://www.fmglobal.com/grants">www.fmglobal.com/grants</a>.

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