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HFD Receives Delivery of New Tower Truck

Harrisonburg, VA – The Harrisonburg Fire Department (HFD) is excited to announce the arrival of its newest piece of equipment.

On Friday, March 28, Tower 1 was delivered to HFD Station 1, which is located on Maryland Avenue. This new fire apparatus will replace the former Tower 1, which is now 18-years-old. The older vehicle will continue to be in service and used as a back-up.

HFD started planning for the replacement of this large piece of equipment approximately five years ago. The truck was first ordered on December 17, 2012 and will cost \$960,000.

“This is an expensive piece of equipment but an investment that will be made to last for the next 20 years, if not more,” said Fire Chief Larry Shifflett.

Tower 1 is a Spartan model with a 100 foot tower ladder and 550 horsepower diesel engine with an automatic transmission. This truck is used for all structural fire calls throughout the city as well as vehicle and industrial accidents. It is also staffed with four fire personnel every day.

This week, firefighters are receiving training on Tower 1. The truck will then have a few minor adjustments before officially going into service.

More information about the Harrisonburg Fire Department is available at www.HarrisonburgVA.gov/Fire.

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