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Dear Residents of Lakeshore Volunteer Fire Department District 25

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**I invite you to come to the General Membership Meeting and Open House on January 18<sup>th</sup>, 2025.** We are moving the General Membership Meeting to January since the normal date in December is four days before Christmas. This meeting is open to everyone. Please come out and meet your Board of Directors and Firefighters

I am asking you to support your Volunteer Fire Department with an annual pledge of \$50.00. We have approximately 3000 property owners in our district and have less than 500 property owners who pay their annual pledge. We can't thank those members enough who pay their annual pledge. However, with the increased cost of running this department, we need the remaining eligible property owners to support us. You may ask "why should I support the VFD"? The VFD is an all-volunteer department. The VFD provides vital services to the residents and property owners of District 25. We answered 107 medical calls so far this year and have responded to 10 structure fires. We have also responded to 13 motor vehicle accidents, conducted 23 controlled burns and responded to 22 calls for assistance from the Sherriff's office or Bandera Emergency Services. We do all of this without any tax payer funding. We depend on you, the community for our funding and support.

The cost to run the department is approximately \$30,000 per year for insurance, fuel, vehicle maintenance, office supplies, medical supplies, training, and buildings and grounds maintenance. We have a monthly truck payment for the Tender/Pumper that is \$1,160.00. We purchased much needed turn out gear for our firefighters and replaced outdated SCBA this year at a cost over \$26,000.00. We still need to purchase two more sets of turn out gear for the Assistant Chief and one additional firefighter this year. This will cost approximately \$6000.00.

We are building a new office building this year and have had great support from the community donating money and materials. The membership approved the funding for the building and we are working to get the rest donated.

Once again, we appreciate your generous support. Please send in your annual membership by mail or you can pay on line at [www.lakeshorevfd.org](http://www.lakeshorevfd.org) or scan the QR Code at the top of this letter. If you pay by mail, please fill out the slip below.

Thank you,  
JR Kimmerly, Lakeshore VFD President

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