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The HUNTINGTON LAKE VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT (HLVFD) wants to simplify its fund raising efforts by seeking funds directly from the Community, instead of going through the Huntington Lake Association (HLA). This simplification benefits the Fire Fighters and our Community in several ways. A direct appeal hopefully will increase the percentage of cabin owners who participate. Local businesses, condo owners and home owners have had a 100% participation rate. In the past, however, the HLA has only been able to collect a contribution to the Fire Department from about 80% of the cabins. We hope broader community support will enable our Fire Fighters to invest in new equipment now and in the future to meet new, more stringent, national standards. This will help all of us in the Huntington Lake Basin to **maintain insurance coverage** and may also result in **lower insurance rates** for the residents of the Huntington Lake basin.

An additional benefit to members of the Community is that your direct contribution to the HLVFD will be **fully tax deductible**, unlike the payments that went through the HLA.

The Huntington Lake cabin owner’s share of the annual cost to operate the Fire Department is \$140 each. In the past we asked, through the HLA, each cabin owner to donate only \$40 hoping that the Annual Appeal would raise enough additional money to cover our annual operating deficit and provide funds to replace medical supplies, equipment parts and the like. By asking each of the cabin owners to contribute \$140, we hope that the funds realized will pay for the actual annual operating expenses, including the building up of a reserve over the next twenty years to buy new fire apparatus when our current units need replacement. This annual contribution also helps to achieve the goal of using gifts made to the Annual Appeal for items that improve the level of service we provide to the community. Over the years, donors to the Annual Appeal have helped fund our new fire engines, two defibrillators, Jaws of Life, lift bags, portable pumps and enhanced medical and trauma equipment. We very much hope that you will consider joining these donors at one of the “Club Levels” shown on the enclosed sheet. Last year, 100 Huntington families gave over \$300 each.

While the Fire Fighters and HLVFD Board Members will continue to seek grants and donations from persons and organizations outside the Huntington Lake community, we are largely dependent on ourselves—the wonderful residents of the Huntington Lake Basin. Because of the change this year in the way we gather funds to support the Department, *we will not have an Annual Appeal until next spring*. We, the Community, are depending on this **one gift** from you to both operate the Department and to make improvements this year.

PLEASE BE GENEROUS!