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Staffing for Adequate Fire & Emergency Response (SAFER) Grant | 08/20/21

ANNISTON, AL -- The Anniston Fire Department has received a **Staffing for Adequate Fire and Emergency Response (SAFER) Grant** in the amount of \$436,526.10. This grant will be utilized to hire three additional firefighter positions to back fill our current staffing levels in order to begin full-time, 24/7, staffing at our Airport Fire Station #6.

Our airport is a 139 certified airport, which allows it to be used by larger aircraft and cargo planes. Staffing the airport fire station on a 24/7 basis will allow for a drastic improvement to the level of fire protection services that we can offer anyone who uses our airport during routine operations. It especially increases our response ability in the event of an emergency at the airport.

Having full-time staff on sight for refueling operations, fuel farm inspections, and any emergency situation will be a great benefit not only to the City of Anniston, but to our entire Calhoun County community. This Federal grant was provided by the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) and the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA).

