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MORE THAN \$12,000 AWARDED TO SAN DIEGO COUNTY PUBLIC SAFETY ORGANIZATIONS

WHAT

Firehouse Subs Public Safety Foundation is celebrating \$12,473 worth of lifesaving equipment grants awarded to Oceanside Fire Department and Encinitas CERT.

WHO

Attendees include local first responders, Firehouse Subs Area Representatives Jeff Press and Jim Fick, Firehouse Subs Franchisees Michele Baker, Michael Marken, Victoria Holland, and Heidi and Rico Terry, and Firehouse Subs Public Safety Foundation Senior Manager of Foundation Development Meghan Vargas.

WHEN

Friday, April 1, 2016 at 10:30 a.m.

WHERE

Firehouse Subs Restaurant 2619 Vista Way Oceanside, CA 92054

DONATION DESCRIPTION

Oceanside Fire Department received wireless headsets and accessories worth \$8,706. The awarded equipment will be utilized by the department's Command Training Center (CTC) for interactive scenario based exercises, increasing the efficiency and safety of firefighter teams during emergencies.

Encinitas CERT received a variety of emergency equipment worth \$3,767, including 24 sets of radios, a tool set, emergency lights, battery charger, radio speakers, GPS, solar battery back-up and a CPR trainer. The awarded equipment will improve the department's rescue capabilities, helping ensure they are prepared for a broader spectrum of emergency situations.

ABOUT FIREHOUSE SUBS PUBLIC SAFETY FOUNDATION

In 2005, Firehouse Subs created the Firehouse Subs Public Safety Foundation with the mission of providing funding, life-saving equipment, and educational opportunities to first-responders and public safety organizations. Through the

non-profit 501(c)(3), Firehouse Subs Public Safety Foundation has given more than **\$17 million to hometown heroes in 44 states and Puerto Rico, including more than \$280,669 in California.**

IN-RESTAURANT FUNDRAISING INITIATIVES

Each restaurant recycles leftover, five-gallon pickle buckets, available to guests for a \$2 donation to the Foundation. Donation canisters on register counters explain the non-profit's mission and collect spare change, while the Round Up Program allows guests to "round up" their bill to the nearest dollar. All funds raised benefit the Foundation.

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