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Department to Receive Donation

Columbus Township Fire & Rescue

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MEDIA ADVISORY

Mr. Steven Graves, CEO and Founder of Drone Assist Indiana (Indydronerescue.org) and a distinguished board member of NPS-DDP.org will be making a drone donation to Columbus Township Fire & Rescue.

WHAT:

On August 5th, 2021, Columbus Township Fire & Rescue made a live video application at the 2021 FDIC convention held in Indianapolis in hopes of winning a drone donated by The W.S. Darley Co, a partner supporter of the National Public Safety Drone Donation Program. (NPS-DDP.org) Although Columbus Township Fire & Rescue did not win during FDIC, they are now receiving a drone donation from Drone Assist Indiana, CEO and Founder, Steven Graves. Drone Assist Indiana is a local nonprofit organization dedicated to providing equipment and pilots to help find high risk individuals, such as those who may have special needs or those on the autistic spectrum. In their [Video](#) request, Columbus Township Fire & Rescue explained why the drone would help protect the communities they serve. This drone donation and equipment provided to Columbus Township Fire & Rescue including lighting donated by [FoxFury Lighting Solutions](#), state of the art 3-D modeling software from [SkyeBrowse](#) and an Apple iPad donated by the Columbus [Sam's Club](#) is over \$2,500 in value. Drone lifesaving technology has proven to be a valuable asset to other departments and is sure to help save lives, property, and injury. This will be the 30th drone donation made by NPS-DDP.org since the foundation was established.

WHEN: Thursday, September 7th, 2021, at 4:00 p.m.

WHERE: Columbus Township Fire Department – 935 Repp Dr. Columbus, IN 47201

DETAILS:

“Currently, we do not have a drone...we have 31 volunteers ... we have taken over all water rescue... and a drone would be amazing” said Chief Dave Thompson (Columbus Township Fire & Rescue).

The board of directors of the National Public Safety Drone Donation Program NPS-DDP.org is proud to have the support of

Mr. Steven Graves and his foundation and have him as an active board member that shares the same vision to help put “eyes in the sky for every department in need”. Public safety departments nationally may apply to receive a UAV/drone and cutting-edge hardware and software at no cost or obligation to the department with no strings attached.

