

The Springfield Township Fire Department recently replaced a 1983 and 1985 fire pumper trucks with a new pumper truck in 2014. The two older trucks had served the residents throughout the years, but needed to be replaced due to age and unreliability.

The new pumper truck was built in Columbus, Ohio by the Sutphen (Sut-fen) Corporation, and will seat four firefighters, carries 1,000 gallons of water, can pump 1,500 gallons of water per minute, and firefighters now, with the flip-of-a-switch, have the option of quickly adding foam to the water being sprayed from the fire hoses. The foam clings to the surface of materials burning, seeping into and cooling the materials faster. The foam helps the firefighters extinguish the fire quickly.

Most of the money to buy the new pumper truck came from a grant award from the Department of Homeland Security, Assistance to Firefighters grant. The grant is a competitive grant compared against other grant applications from other departments throughout the country. The new pumper truck costs \$373,666. The Assistance to Firefighters grant paid for \$348,420, leaving the Township paying \$18,683.



(Engine 3113 on delivery day)



(Firefighters showing Engine 3113 to the public during Rock the Docks)



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