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CALDWELL FIRE DEPARTMENT PRESS RELEASE

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Last night, Caldwell City Council unanimously approved moving forward with a grant award from the Federal Office of Emergency Services (FEMA SAFER) in the amount of \$1,745,628.00 in federal funding for use by the Caldwell Fire Department to implement hiring six firefighter positions. These firefighters will support additional resources in the community including a new ladder truck.

The Caldwell Fire Department runs some of the busiest engines in the area, receiving over 7000 calls for service annually and averaging over 200 structure fires per year. Call volume is continuing to rise with rapid population growth. The additions of these firefighters will aid in allowing CFD to serve the growing calls for service in our community.

"We are thankful for the acceptance of our grant application by the SAFER program. The support of Mayor Wagoner and our City Councilmembers in approving this grant will ensure safety for our community. The hard work of the Caldwell Firefighters in moving the organization to this point is a testament to their dedication and service. These firefighters will help staff our new ladder truck and add essential services to emergency response in Canyon County.," said Caldwell Fire Chief, Rich Frawley.