



# Gwinnett County Government Communications Division NEWS RELEASE

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## SPLOST FUNDS FIVE FIRE TRUCKS

(Lawrenceville Ga., June 6, 2012) – Gwinnett County will spend \$2.5 million in SPLOST sales tax funds to buy five new pumper-engines for the fire and emergency services department over the next two years. The engines will replace existing units that are between 10 and 15 years old. Commissioners awarded the contract to the highest-scoring firm, Sutphen Corporation of Ohio during a board meeting on Tuesday, June 5.

The diesel-powered pumbers will each carry 750 gallons of water and will have roll-up door compartments for emergency medical equipment and firefighting tools. When connected to a fire hydrant, each unit will be able to pump 1,500 gallons per minute.

Fire Chief Bill Myers said, "These new engines will go to fire stations across Gwinnett County as primary response units for fires and emergency medical incidents. The units will allow us to continue providing the highest quality service, and we appreciate voter support of the SPLOST programs that make this possible."

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