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Since September 11, 2001, fire and emergency service departments all across the nation are struggling with increasing demands for service coupled with reduced funding. In order to respond to these increasing demands and provide more services to the community, the Carrollton Volunteer Fire Department has established a Fire Corps program and is seeking volunteers to help.

Fire Corps creates opportunities for citizens to give back to their community by providing emergency assistance to their local Fire/EMS department. From creating Web sites to maintaining vehicles, promoting life safety education or offering administrative assistance, you can help your community become safer and better prepared for natural disasters, terrorists threats and other emergencies.

Fire Corps, a component of the Department of Homeland Security's Citizen Corps program, is a national grassroots effort to increase the capacity of volunteer, career and combination Fire and EMS departments through the use of community volunteers. Fire Corps provides resources for departments to utilize volunteers in non-emergency roles so they can develop, implement, and sustain programs and services that will help their department meet the needs of their community.

Due to the rapid population growth in our district, we can use more help with many other non-emergency activities such as grant writing, IT management, Chaplain services, and building maintenance.

For more information or to become a Fire Corps volunteer, contact Sara Jordan at 757-810-5549 or via email at firecorps@carrolltonfiredept.org.