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Fresno Firefighters Heading to Haiti

WHAT: Relief Efforts of Local Firefighters in Haiti

WHEN: Tuesday, January 19, 2010

TIME: 2:30 p.m.

WHERE: Fresno Fire Department Headquarters (911 H Street)

Fresno, CA (January 25, 2010) – On January 12th 2010, the island nation of Haiti was struck by a 7.0 magnitude earthquake, the largest such event experienced in the region for more than 200 years. The magnitude and devastation of the tragedy has prompted an outpouring of support and services from every corner of the globe. On January 21st 2010, three firefighters, Captain Brian Price, Firefighter Chad Brisendine and retired Captain Jon Brown from the Fresno Fire Department will join eleven other firefighters from across the country to assist in the relief efforts during a ten day mission as members of the Firefighters for Christ Emergency Response Team (ERT). The ERT members are professional firefighters with additional levels of training such as emergency medicine, disaster response and Urban Search & Rescue (US&R). This training includes building collapse, emergency building shoring, trench rescue, and confined space rescue.

The two active-duty firefighters from Fresno will use personal time for the mission trip to Haiti. They will be available for interviews with the media on Tuesday, January 19th at 2:30pm at Fresno Fire Department Headquarters – 911 H Street.

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