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### **Auditor General DePasquale Releases Audits for Volunteer Firefighters' Relief Associations in Seven Counties**

**HARRISBURG** – Auditor General Eugene DePasquale today announced the release of audit reports for volunteer firefighters' relief associations (VFRAs) in Dauphin, Lackawanna, Montgomery, Northumberland, Pike, Wayne and Westmoreland counties.

“Relief associations support fire and rescue crews as they perform their dedicated, often heroic, duties,” DePasquale said. “Because state aid only goes so far, please remember your local emergency responders when making donations to benefit your community.”

State aid for VFRAs comes from a 2 percent tax on fire insurance policies sold in Pennsylvania by out-of-state companies. In 2020, \$60.25 million went to 2,518 municipalities for distribution to VFRAs to provide training, purchase equipment and insurance, and pay for death benefits for volunteer firefighters.

The Department of the Auditor General distributes the state aid and audits VFRAs. The full audit reports for VFRAs with findings are available online using the links provided below; others are available online at: [www.PaAuditor.gov/audit-reports](http://www.PaAuditor.gov/audit-reports).

#### **Dauphin County**

[Carsonville VFRA](#) – No findings.

#### **Lackawanna County**

[Fleetville VFRA](#) - No findings.

#### **Montgomery County**

[Upper Merion Township VFRA](#) – No findings.

[Weldon VFRA](#) – No findings.

#### **Northumberland County**

[Hickory Corners VFRA](#) – No findings.

#### **Pike County**

[Shohola Township VFRA](#) - No findings.

#### **Wayne County**

[Pleasant Mount Emergency Service VFRA](#) – No findings.

#### **Westmoreland County**

[Hunker VFRA](#) – No findings.

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