

## **Friends and Neighbors:**

The Board of Directors for the Sparta Volunteer Fire Dept (SVFD), along with our First Responders believe our community should be aware of the following:

The SVFD has provided **EMS** and **Fire** support in this area since 2012.

Absent this support provided by SVFD, the EMS response times would be impossible for injured residents in our area to arrive at a trauma center within the "Golden Hour" recommended by the American College of Surgeons Committee on Trauma Care. SVFD has trained EMTs, most of which have acquired their certifications on their own. SVFD members are certified in CPR and AED (Automatic Emergency Defibrillation) in case of cardiac arrest.

We are relocating to 6308 Sparta Rd. We are in the process of building a new facility to house our trucks and equipment and protect them from the elements. We have had a few fundraisers to help with these expenses, but we will need our residents' support to complete this task.

SVFD is a 501(c)3, through the IRS, and considered to be a public charity. We are asking for your help as we are all volunteers. Your donations would be eligible for a tax deduction. Please contact your CPA to verify.

We have openings on the Board of Directors, for First Responders and the Auxiliary/Fundraiser Group.

If you prefer to make a donation online, we have a GoFundMe page on our website: **Spartavfd.com** and click on the **GoFundMe** tab.

Please make donations payable to: **Sparta VFD Building Fund** and donations can be sent to the following address: Sparta VFD 7041 Sparta Rd., Belton, Tx. 76513

You can also reach the Board of Directors at <a href="mailto:station@spartavfd.com">station@spartavfd.com</a> for any questions or concerns. We appreciate and thank you for your support.