## Owens Group Supports the Community

By **Rick Marsh**, Fire Chief, Tuxedo Park Fire Department



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Joseph Ehrlich (far left) of Owens Group and Danny Perry (far right) of Fireman's Fund, present the grant check to Chief Marsh (middle) and the Tuxedo Park Fire Department.

With Tuxedo having a number of lakes, rivers, and streams in the vicinity, the area is very susceptible to flooding. Now, thanks to an \$8,500 grant, our department has been able to purchase a new inflatable rescue boat to help evacuate residents during floods.

The grant was awarded by the insurance agency Owens Group and Fireman's Fund Insurance Company.

The Avon® professional emergency rescue boat is compact and light weight, making it ideal for first responders. It is designed for rapid deployment using a standard high pressure air inflation system.

This rescue boat would have been of great use to our department during the big floods that took place in our community back in 2007.

In addition to using the boat for evacuations, it will also be utilized for water rescues in nearby lakes, rivers and streams. Ultimately, this will strengthen our water rescue operations, allowing us to better protect the residents of Tuxedo.

The grant was awarded through the Heritage Program<sup>SM</sup>. Under the program, agents and brokers across the country who sell Fireman's Fund® products, like Owens Group, have the opportunity to direct grants to fire departments for needed equipment, training, and community education. Each year, millions of dollars are awarded.

On behalf of our firefighters and the local residents we protect, I want to thank Owens Group and Fireman's Fund for their support.

**Supporting Firefighters for Safer Communities** 

Contact Joseph Ehrlich of Owens Group at **201.408.3512**, or **jehrlich@owensgroup.com** for more information about the grant or to learn more about Fireman's Fund Insurance products.

