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ACQUISITION OF NEW EQUIPMENT

COTTAGE GROVE – The Cottage Grove Fire Department has recently acquired a new battery powered Holmatro Combi Tool to be used to assist with extrications at the scene of motor vehicle accidents. As the name suggests, this multi-functional tool can do the work of two with both spreading and cutting capabilities in one small, compact, lightweight package.

With the acquisition of the Combi Tool, CGFD now has 3 sets of extrication tools, commonly referred to as the “Jaws of Life” at its disposal. The 2 older sets consist of a separate gas powered hydraulic pumps with hoses to run separate cutting and spreading tools. The new battery powered tool will give firefighters the capability to begin extrications immediately upon arrival while the gas powered tools will continue to be utilized as backups when necessary.

The purchase price for this piece of equipment was close to \$13,000. We were able to purchase this tool without cost to tax-payers by utilizing two generous anonymous donations totaling \$10,000. The remaining \$3,000 came from proceeds raised during this year’s Cottage Grove Firemen’s Festival.

Cottage Grove Fire Department wishes to extend our sincerest Thank You to our anonymous donors and the community for their support by attending our annual festival and other fund raising events throughout the year.

If you would like to provide a donation in support of the Cottage Grove Volunteer Fire Department, please contact Chief@CottageGroveFire.org to learn how you can help. CGFD is a 501(c) non-profit organization and all donations are tax deductible.



Lt. Erik Severson holding CGFD’s newest piece of extrication equipment, a Holmatro Combi Tool.