



Stride Bank employees (second and third from left) Dirk Dewald and J'Lynn Crawford present a \$10,000 donation to (from left) Mooreland Fire Department members Chief Travis Case, Lieutenant Kristin Stinnett and Captain Jeremiah Moore.

Bank Donates To Fire Department

Stride Bank has donated \$10,000 to Mooreland Volunteer Fire Department (VFD). The department recently battled a large fire that continues to fester due to the extreme heat in the area and across the state.

Because the department is volunteer-based, they rely heavily on the community to help them during these high-stress situations.

By donating money to replenish equipment and resources to stop the spread of the fires, Stride Bank is proud to support the community where its customers, friends, neighbors and employees work and live.

Mooreland's volunteer fire department has experienced an outpouring of support and donations from the community as well. Many community members have donated water, aspirin, money and time to the department to help keep the

volunteer firefighters hydrated and financed.

Dirk Dewald, senior vice president and Mooreland/Woodward market president and agricultural loan production manager, says, "Stride Bank is fortunate to be positioned to help the community in situations where support is often necessary. We have been a part of Mooreland for years, in good and bad times and we will continue to support the community when needed."

Brud Baker, CEO and President, is incredibly proud to be part of this close community for many years now. "Stride Bank is dedicated to our small communities that we serve. Our bank is always growing, but we never forget the people along the way that helped us to get here, and the city of Mooreland is no different. We are thankful for Mooreland VFD every day."

The Stride Bank team saw

Mooreland Volunteer Fire Department chief, Travis Case, speak on the news about the fire and knew they had to support the department somehow. Many of Stride Bank's agricultural loan customers were affected by the fires, so the decision to help came naturally to the company.

Case said he is grateful for support from the community. "Everyone seems to forget about the fire department until we are needed, but when we are needed, the support is amazing. The community has provided us with the tools we need to be firefighters. We are able to focus on keeping everyone safe and stopping the spread of the flames."

For more information on how you can support the Mooreland Volunteer Fire Department, visit their Facebook page, <https://www.facebook.com/Moorelandfiredept>.