



## Hills Fire Fighters Association

February 15<sup>th</sup>, 2021

Dear Hills Fire Department Supporter:

As you may be aware, National Grain Bin Safety Week is February 21-27, 2021. We hope that everyone is following good safety practices when it comes to working in and around grain bins. With the interest of farmers and farm workers in our community, the Hills Fire Department and First Responders is requesting your assistance for purchasing additional grain bin rescue equipment.

The Hills Fire Department already owns a grain bin rescue tube and auger. However, many other less well-known pieces of equipment are used in a grain bin entrapment rescue. Other equipment such as rescue ropes and rigging, harnesses, lights, drills, and ladders can be very costly. Thankfully, some of this equipment can be dual purpose for other rescues as well.

Having assisted on a mutual aid call with the West Branch Fire Department already this year, we know grain bin rescue is a very real possibility in our communities. Gratefully, the outcome of that call was favorable! With your help in the purchase of other equipment necessary for grain bin rescues, we're hoping any future calls will turn out just as favorable.

Since most of our fundraisers were cancelled last year due to the COVID-19 pandemic, we would appreciate any donation you may be willing to give to purchase this equipment. Purchasing this new, lifesaving equipment is a priority of the department, but we need your help. Any donation you may be willing to give towards the purchase of this new equipment would be greatly appreciated. Additionally, all donations to the Hills Fire Fighters Association are tax deductible.

Thank you for your support!

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Please make checks payable to the Hills Fire Fighters Association.

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