

News from Congressman

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New Federal Grant to Boost Daly City Fire Prevention Program

Washington, DC – The Daly City Fire Department can now implement plans to substantially expand its community education program to prevent residential fires with a \$19,642 grant announced today by Congressman Tom Lantos (D- San Mateo, San Francisco).

"Vital information on fire safety will now be shared from home to home, at community centers and in the schools, thanks to the imaginative project that Daly City authorities intend to undertake," Lantos said. "These federal funds will benefit the residents of Daly City and neighboring cities as the program grows through the years."

A reported 70 percent of residential fires in Daly City begin in kitchens, the majority of them in apartments. Authorities intend to use the new Assistance to Firefighters grant, administered by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) to create brochures, banners and posters for presentations at schools and to adult groups, plus materials for local media to help spread the word about fire safety. Some of the equipment paid for by the grant will include a graphics computer, a color printer, a multi-media projector and a sound system.