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KAWARTHA LAKES-The Ontario Government says it is investing \$60,000 to help Fire Services in Haliburton- Kawartha Lakes- Brock address the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic.

The funding will enhance fire safety training and support safety inspection programs to ensure compliance with the Ontario Fire Code according to MPP Laurie Scott.

The City of Kawartha Lakes Fire and Rescue will receive \$23,000 according to Scott.

"I want to thank our fire services for their commitment and dedication to protecting our communities," said Laurie Scott, MPP for Haliburton-Kawartha Lakes-Brock. "Our government

will continue to support local fire services as they navigate the challenges COVID-19 presents while providing the community services needed to keep residents safe.”

The funding is part of a \$5 million provincial investment to help municipal fire services respond to the local impacts of COVID-19 which created risks and unprecedented challenges for fire departments to conduct training and fire safety inspections according to Scott. This one- time funding will enhance in-person and online educational instruction needs by increasing access to additional training.

It will also support updates to specialized critical equipment, such as high-speed internet, to enhance virtual training and enable remote options to support fire safety and compliance with Ontario’s Fire Code while minimizing exposure to the virus.

“Our government has listened to fire services across the province and recognizes the impact COVID-19 has had on their operations” said Solicitor General Sylvia Jones. “This funding will enhance opportunities for training and support fire safety inspections needed to keep our communities safe. We are grateful to these brave, dedicated individuals for their commitment to protecting Ontarians as the fight against COVID-19 continues.”