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Chief Comeaux,

Buckets of Rain is registered 501c3 U.S. nonprofit with activities in Guatemala. We have an affiliation there with a Guatemalan nonprofit, Educacion mas Desarrollo run by our trusted friend, Fredy Muldonado. One of the groups he helps support in that country is the Bomberos Voluntarios (volunteer fire and rescue).

Through Senor Muldonado, we learned of a need for all types of firefighting equipment. There is little money available for equipment purchase as these organizations are not supported by the local municipalities, but operate completely on donations. In meeting with the groups we learned that they are frequently fighting fires with inadequate gear and equipment.

Our hope and goal is to provide the Bomberos with surplus or outdated equipment that can no longer be used in the U.S. per NFPA guidelines. We have thus far provided 7 complete sets of turnout gear from Northern Michigan fire departments, carrying the equipment down when we travel there for projects. They have been very appreciative and grateful to receive this important equipment.

The air packs that Cedar Area Fire and Rescue has graciously offered to pass on through us will serve a valuable purpose in Guatemala. Through your donation, you are raising the level of safety for the Bomberos there. Buckets of Rain is grateful for your gift and honored to assist in delivering this valuable equipment.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions or concerns.

Kind regards,

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