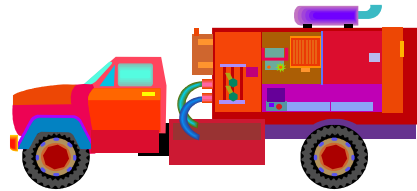


Foothills Fire Service Area
Post Office Box 231
Landrum, South Carolina 29356



August 6, 2025

Greenville County
301 University Ridge
Greenville, SC 29601-3660

Dear Mr. Lambrecht,

Upon reviewing the July 2025 KREZ435 tax data for the Foothills Fire Service Area (FFSA), the amount contractually required to be paid to the Town of Tryon Fire Department (TFD) this fiscal year is \$118,967⁽¹⁾. The FFSA Commissioners have rounded this figure to \$119,000 for budgeting purposes.

Based on the 2025 entity values and the adjusted collectable levy, FFSA would receive an estimated \$147,311 with a millage rate of 26.6. To align projected revenue with contract obligations, FFSA recommends a reduced millage rate of 21.5, yielding approximately \$119,000 in tax revenue.

FY2025 Budget Overview

Funds Required

Tryon Fire Department (TFD)	\$119,000
FFSA Administrative Expenses	\$2,500
Total	\$121,500

Income Sources

Estimated Tax Collection	\$119,000
Other Income (Estimated Interest)	\$2,500
Total	\$121,500

This budget was unanimously approved by FFSA Commissioners on July 22, 2025.

Funds designated for TFD will be disbursed in four quarterly payments of \$29,750 each, issued on or before the last business day of September, December, March, and June⁽¹⁾ of the 2025–2026 fiscal year. The administrative expense of \$2,500 will be mailed directly to FFSA.

The primary reason for the reduction in funds allocated to TFD is the 2.15 cent per \$100 property tax increase recently enacted by Polk County, North Carolina in support of TFD.

Please let me know if any additional information or clarification is needed.

Very truly yours,
Richard Locke, Chair Commissioner, Foothills Fire Service Area

Joey Russo, Greenville County Council.
Scott Case, Greenville County Auditor.
Christopher Antley, Greenville County Attorney.
Allen A. Hodges, Greenville County Treasurer.
Note (1): Contract between Greenville County, SC and Town of Tryon, NC.