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## Cambridge Pumper Truck Now Part of the Training Equipment at Conestoga

Cambridge, Ontario. August 14, 2009...The City of Cambridge today officially presented a 1989 Pumper Truck to Conestoga to support the expansion of the Pre-Service Fire Fighter Program and a recent change in the Preceptorship portion of the program. Cambridge Mayor Doug Craig handed over the vehicle to Conestoga President John Tibbits in a ceremony to mark the donation minutes ago. Cambridge Council approved the donation in late May following the recommendation of the Cambridge Fire Department to help support local training.

"We have a strong relationship with Conestoga and this donation directly supports the training of fire fighters for this community and the surrounding area," says Cambridge Fire Chief Terry Allen. This latest donation builds on the partnership which recently saw the college take ownership of a parcel of land acquired by the City to support a major expansion of the institution.



Pictured left Cambridge Deputy Fire Chief Bill Chesney; Conestoga President John Tibbits (centre) who "said that these kinds of partnerships are vital to running the 200 programs the college offers. This truck will really enhance the program." Cambridge Mayor Doug Craig (right) says it's part of our track record to support Conestoga.

Cambridge Fire Department recently took delivery of two new pumper trucks to add to the fleet. Purchased for over \$635,000 per vehicle, the equipment was supplied by Darch Fire of nearby Ayr and manufactured by Americas Lafrance. With the addition of these two new pumpers, the fire department also operates three aerial trucks in front line service as well as a rescue unit, a tanker/pumper and a command car that are staffed 24 hours, 7 days a week, 365 days a year. The hazmat unit, a technical support unit, an air boat and two ducs boats are specialty units that are staffed only when required by on duty personnel. The fire department also has another pumper truck and two aerial units that are for backup but these vehicles don't have staff assigned to them.

More photos from the official announcement may be found in the press gallery at [www.cambridge.ca](http://www.cambridge.ca)

The City of Cambridge is one of the fastest growing areas in the country. It is strategically located astride highway 401 in Southwestern Ontario, part of Canada's Technology Triangle. In 2009, the population reached over 126,000 people. With a multicultural mix and a strong foundation of support services, Cambridge has a diverse economic base with leading industries in manufacturing, automotive, high technology, pharmaceutical, business and financial services and hospitality/retail. The Corporation of the City of Cambridge is an employer with a work environment that offers the opportunity to provide service to the community through creativity and innovation, and with opportunities for career growth and advancement. Based on the 2007 BMA Management Consulting Inc Municipal Study, the City of Cambridge is one of only four municipalities in the province that is debt free.

For more information on the area or the corporation visit [www.cambridge.ca](http://www.cambridge.ca)

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