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# Town of Oswego fire department gets \$300,000

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TOWN OF OSWEGO — Sen. John Mannion announced Tuesday that he secured \$300,000 in SUNY Impact Aid for the Oswego Town Fire Department, which has struggled with skyrocketing calls from SUNY Oswego.

The volunteer fire department provides emergency services for the town of Oswego, which includes nearly all of the SUNY Oswego campus.

More than 7,500 residents call the town home, but that number nearly doubles with the addition of 7,000 college students. Over the past two years, there has been a

104% increase in call volume for assistance at SUNY Oswego compared to a 12% increase in calls by town residents, Mannion's office said.

"The Oswego Town Volunteer Fire Department is a vital part of our community, and this funding will help volunteer first responders continue to provide the highest level of service to residents and to meet the demands associated with hosting a SUNY campus," said Mannion, D-Geddes, in a news release. "This funding will help to offset the costs associated with the increased call volume that the department has experienced in recent years, due in part to the large student population at SUNY Oswego."

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