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## **The Washtenaw County Hazardous Materials Response Team Receives \$13,000 Grant from Wolverine Pipe Line Company**



*Brian Wilson, Jackson Area Supervisor for Wolverine Pipe Line Company  
presents check to Washtenaw County HazMat Team Director Vic  
Chevrette for a new air monitor.*

Pittsfield Township, Mich. – Wolverine Pipe Line Company presented a check on March 21, 2018 to the Washtenaw County Hazardous Materials Response Team for \$13,000. Washtenaw County HazMat will use the grant to purchase an air monitor.

The check was part of Wolverine’s Good Neighbor Grant Program, where money is used to fund good works in communities along their pipeline route. The program focuses on supporting schools, emergency first responders such as fire departments and other non-profit agencies.

In the past, Wolverine has emphasized education initiatives and supported conservation efforts such as the Outdoor Discovery Center near Lake Macatawa in Holland, MI. This year, Wolverine has decided to put an emphasis on first responder needs.

“When we heard the Washtenaw County HazMat Team were in need of another monitor, it was an easy decision for us,” said Saul Flota, President of Wolverine Pipe Line Company. “We believe effective public safety is a partnership between our company, first responders, and the community.”

“Our current air monitors are 17 years old and are no longer supported for updates and repairs,” said Vic Chevrette, HazMat Team Director. “This new air monitor will allow us to respond to emergency situations involving various chemicals and radiation and can be deployed for highway, fixed facilities, and major event assemblies.”

In 2017, Wolverine Pipe Line Company completed and opened their Detroit Metro Access Pipeline, which runs through Washtenaw County. The first commercial volume shipped on March 6<sup>th</sup> of 2017. The approximately 34-miles of 16-inch diameter pipeline, which connects to an existing Wolverine line, allows delivery of refined petroleum products from the Chicago area to consumers in Metro Detroit.

*Wolverine Pipeline Company is a fuel transportation company headquartered in Portage, Michigan. Wolverine operates over 700 miles of active pipeline transporting refined petroleum products from refineries in the Chicago area to the Michigan market. Wolverine transports approximately one third of all gasoline and diesel fuel used in Michigan.*

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