

## ***St. Lucie County Fire District News Release***

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### **St. Lucie County Fire District hosts Liberian Delegation**

*St. Lucie County, FL* – The St. Lucie County Fire District recently hosted a delegation from the Republic of Liberia touring St. Lucie County to learn more about the Fire Service.

The Honorable Gbehzohngar Milton Findley, President of the Liberian Senate, lead the delegation.

“It’s an honor to show someone from another country this Fire District and the resources we have,” explained Fire Chief Ron Parrish.

After a presentation and tour of the Fire District administration building, the delegation was given an opportunity to see a number of emergency response apparatus including a rescue truck, a fire engine, a Quint (or ladder truck), and the command vehicle used for incidents involving multiple agencies.

The Republic of Liberia, in West Africa, was founded by free slaves from the United States in the 1800s. Recently the country has gone through a Civil War and the delegation’s goal is to rebuild the infrastructure of the country.

The trip was organized by the Grand Bassa County Association in the Americas, an organization of Liberians and friends of Liberia residing in St. Lucie County.



The Honorable Gbehzohngar Milton Findley (left), President of the Liberian Senate, and St. Lucie County Fire Chief Ron Parrish (right) shown during a recent visit of delegates from Liberia. The group was visiting St. Lucie County to learn more about the infrastructure of the Fire Service.