Extrication tools give N. Lake Tahoe fire more power

The North Lake Tahoe Fire Protection District has purchased new vehicle extrication tools through grant funds awarded to the fire district through the Nevada Office of Traffic Safety's Zero Fatalities Program.

The Zero Fatalities Program utilizes the Nevada Strategic Highway Safety Plan to educate citizens and increase awareness regarding safe driving practices in an effort to reduce fatalities and serious injuries on all Nevada public roads.

The \$19,389 grant paid for four new vehicle extrication tools that have twice the cutting power as the tools they replaced – for example 120,000 pounds vs. 60,000 pounds.

All front line responders have received training on the new tools and they are in service on the first out apparatus.