

Montgomery County Fire and Rescue Service FIRE CHIEF'S GENERAL ORDER

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TO: All MCFRS Personnel
FROM: Fire Chief Scott E. Goldstein
SUBJECT: 2016 MDA "Fill-the-Boot" Campaign



The annual "MDA Fill-the-Boot" Campaign will occur on August 31st (C Shift), September 1st (A Shift), & 2nd (B Shift). This activity is approved from 0800 to 2000 hours on each of these days.

Units may not be available for this activity during all periods of time due to call load. Personnel should concentrate on the morning, mid-day, and afternoon rush hour periods. During off-time, personnel may assist in sorting collected monies, meal breaks, and performing normal station maintenance.

Stations may conduct "Fill-the-Boot" activities at intersections independently, but are encouraged to partner up other stations at high volume intersections that border adjoining stations or response areas. Station Officers must forward the intersection locations, rotation schedules, and proposed times of activity to their Battalion Chief or Duty Officer by 2000 hours of the preceding shift.

MCFRS personnel must comply with the following:

- *Apparatus must be positioned safely to avoid impeding traffic, and must be proximally situated to facilitate quick response to emergency incidents;*
- *Participating personnel MUST wear traffic vests*
- *Participating personnel MUST only enter the roadway when traffic has stopped. All personnel MUST be on curbs/sidewalks/shoulders when traffic is moving.*
- *Participating on-duty personnel must wear a Class "C" uniform.*
- *Participating on-duty personnel MUST carry a portable radio;*

2016 marks the 32nd anniversary that Montgomery County Career Fire Fighters Association, Local 1664, and the MDA have partnered to find treatments and a cure for neuromuscular diseases. Over the past 31 years, our firefighters have raised over \$2.4 million for MDA. Montgomery County is home to about 500 children and adults affected with these diseases. ***Please help make our 32nd campaign our best year ever!***