


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: Annual 2017 MDA "Fill-the-Boot" Campaign- September 2017

The annual "MDA Fill-the-Boot" Campaign will occur on August 30th (A Shift), August 31st (B Shift), & September 1st (C Shift). This activity is approved from 0800 to 2000 hours on each of these days.

Units may not be available during all periods of "Fill-the-Boot" 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 an intersection independently, but are encouraged to partner up with another station 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 during stopped traffic. All personnel MUST be on curbs/sidewalks/shoulders when traffic is moving;*
- *Participating personnel must wear a Class "C" uniform; and*
- *Participating on duty personnel MUST carry a portable radio.*

This year, 2017, marks the 33nd anniversary that Montgomery County Career Fire Fighters Association, Local 1664, and the MDA who have partnered to find treatments and a cure for neuromuscular diseases. Over the past 32 years, our firefighters have raised over \$2.5 million for MDA. Montgomery County is home to about 500 children and adults affected with these diseases. ***Please help make our 33rd campaign our best year ever!***