

# 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 2015 MDA "Fill-the-Boot" Campaign- September 2015**

I strongly encourage MCFRS on-duty career and volunteer personnel to participate in the annual "MDA Fill-the-Boot" Campaign. This year's event will occur on September 2<sup>nd</sup> (B Shift), 3<sup>rd</sup> (C Shift), & 4<sup>th</sup> (A Shift). This activity is approved from 0800 to 2000 hours on each of these days.

Units may not be available 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 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 on-duty career and volunteer 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 on-duty personnel MUST wear traffic vests and carry a portable radio; and*
- *Participating personnel must wear a Class "C" uniform.*

2015 marks the 31<sup>st</sup> 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 30 years, our firefighters have raised over \$2.3 million for MDA. Montgomery County is home to about 500 children and adults affected with these diseases. ***Please help make our 31<sup>st</sup> campaign our best year ever!***