



## National Volunteer Fire Council Award Recipients

### Lifetime Achievement Award

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This award honors those individuals whose remarkable achievements in the fire service and community exemplifies outstanding performance. To be considered for the award, nominees must have been a volunteer firefighter for at least 20 years. Recipients are as follows:

2020 – Chief John Brooks (NJ)	2006 – Lawrence F. "Sonny" Ruff (KS)	1992 – Ray Crouch (TN)
2019 – Wylie Donaldson Jr. (MD)	2005 – Patrick Hlavaty (TX)	1991 – Joseph R. Robison (MD)
2018 – Ronald Farr (MI)	2004 – John S. DaVanzo (NY)	1990 – A.E. "Gus" Welter (MN)
2017 – Freddy Johnson, Sr. (NC)	2003 – Phil Sayer (MO)	1989 – William A. Hagevig (AK)
2016 – Donald Snyder (NY)	2002 – James Mahoney (NY)	1988 – George F. Comp, Jr. (MD)
2015 – Edward J. Mello (AB)	2001 – Dan Stevens (MD)	1987 – Elsworth Greer (TX)
2014 – Charles Singleton (VA)	2000 – Dale Perry (GA)	1986 – Louis DeFillipo (NJ)
2013 – John M. Buckman III (IN)	1999 – Robert "Red" McKeon (CT)	1985 – James L. Grote (CT)
2012 – Lawrence Plumer (WI)	1998 – William Wutz (NY)	1984 – William Irvine Talley (AZ)
2011 – Glenn Jernigan (NC)	1997 – Walter Smittle, III (WV)	1983 – Russel D. Salak (NE)
2010 – John McAuliffe (CT)	1996 – John A. "Jack" Scheben (KY)	1982 – D.W. Mathesin (IA)
2009 – Fred Allinson (WA)	1995 – David S. Dwyer (MD)	1981 – Eugene M. Braun (NY)
2008 – John Doster (PA)	1994 – Aubrey N. Boudreaux (LA)	1979 – John Moehring (CT)
2007 – Robert T. Bettenhausen (IL)	1993 – Joseph A. Jackson (MO)	1978 – O.E. Hirst (WI)

### Fire Prevention and Education Award

This award honors a volunteer firefighter or non-operational Fire Corps volunteer who exemplifies the philosophy of fire prevention. The award was established in the memory of volunteer firefighter Marc Mueller. Recipients are as follows:

2017 – William Wren (NY)	2008 – Donald Dalrymple (NY)	1999 – Joe Stambush (KY)
2016 – Michael McLeieer (MI)	2007 – Kimberly Herskowitz (PA)	1998 – Doug Rodenbeck (IN)
2015 – James Jarboe (MD)	2006 – Dayna Hilton (AR)	1997 – Tom Dillon (NJ)
2014 – Jim Pickett (AK)	2005 – Diane M. May (MD)	1995 – Joseph Abbruzzese (NJ)
2013 – Rhonda Cerny (NE)	2004 – Jeff Williams (MD)	1994 – Thomas Van Vranken (NY)
2012 – James Conomea (FL)	2003 – Don North (UT)	1993 – Brian McQueen (NY)
2011 – Kenneth Pagels (NY)	2002 – Art Mercurio (NJ)	1992 – Cindy Tarquini (MD)
2010 – Earl Cunningham, Jr. (PA)	2001 – Neil Critchlow (UT)	
2009 – Edward Sawicki (DE)	2000 – Linda Stuckey (MS)	

## **James P. Seavey Sr. Health and Wellness Leadership Award**

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This award honors a volunteer firefighter, EMS provider, or rescue worker who has served as a leader in creating or promoting emergency responder health and wellness programs or initiatives in areas including, but not limited to, firefighter cancer, heart health, behavioral health, and overall health and wellness. Recipients are as follows:

2020 – David Lewis (MD)  
2019 – Brian McQueen (NY)

## **Junior Firefighter of the Year**

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This award honors a junior firefighter who has gone above and beyond in their service to their fire department. Recipients are as follows:

2020 – Donald Ciecuch (NJ)	2014 – Jennifer Schaefer (ND)
2019 – Robert Dowd (NY)	2013 – Andrew Krahm (NY)
2018 – Jared Hagen (OH)	2012 – Katherine (Kassie) Brierley (CT)
2017 – Parker Ketler (OH)	2011 – Brendan Finley-Davis (KS)
2016 – Brittany French (WV)	2010 – Michelle Alyssa Carilli (CT)
2015 – James Thomas “Jimmy” Johnson (NC)	

## **Junior Firefighter Program of the Year**

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This award honors a junior firefighter program or Explorer Post that has demonstrated significant community impact, innovation, and creativity. Recipients are as follows:

2020 – Westhampton Beach Fire Department Junior Program (NY)	2014 – Washington County High School Fire and Rescue Academy (MD)
2019 – Westport Fire Department Explorer Post #774 (MA)	2013 – Arcadia Junior Fire Company (MD)
2018 – Gaston Volunteer Fire Department Junior Firefighter Program (NC)	2012 – Cherryville Fire Department (NC)
2016 – Northwest Fire Explorer Post 1854 (OH)	2011 – Lake Carmel Fire Department Explorer Post #2041 (NY)
2015 – Hedgesville 4-H Junior Volunteer Fire Company (WV)	2010 – Westhampton Beach Fire Department’s Junior Fire Company (NY)

## **E. James Monihan Director Award**

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This award honors a current or former board member whose remarkable achievements on the NVFC board exemplify outstanding performance and have gone above normal expectations. Recipients are as follows:

2019 – James P. Seavey Sr. (MD)	2014 – Robert "Red" McKeon (CT)
2018 – Kenn Fontenot (LA)	2013 – Bryant Stiles (KY)
2017 – Norm Hoeft (NE)	2012 – Ken Knipper (KY)
2015 – Pat Hlavaty (TX)	2010 – Jeff Cash (NC)