NVFC First Responder Helpline

Supporting our Volunteer Fire Service One Call at a Time!

SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITY

The business community has an opportunity to come together to support volunteer first responders.

Let's Keep Our Volunteer First Responders Healthy & Fit for

the Job!

It's a known fact that being a first responder can take a serious toll on mental health as well as relationships and physical well-being. Unfortunately, many volunteer fire and EMS departments aren't equipped with an EAP or immediate resources to assist. Thanks to the National Volunteer Fire Council's (NVFC) First Responder Helpline, offered through Provident, accessing help is now a phone call away.

Sponsoring the NVFC's national Helpline will get critical support to its more than 30,000 members. This member benefit provides immediate access to help with up to five free, confidential counseling sessions on any number of stressors – job, family, financial – as well as mental health/suicide crisis. If necessary, long-term treatment can be arranged. Your financial commitment will ensure our heroes are taken care of in their time of need.

Be a Hero for the Heroes -- Together We Can Make a Difference!

Your financial support allows the Helpline to thrive and sustain NVFC's growing membership. Sponsors will be recognized through all the Council's communication channels. Year-long promotion includes Helpline brochure, welcome/renewal letters, dedicated ad in Fire Engineering, at NVFC events, and trade shows. In addition, special communications and events will be done during Mental Health Month and holidays where the Helpline will be highlighted.



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Over 1/3 of volunteer firefighters report a concern for depression.*



Repeat exposure to traumatic events is a key risk factor for substance abuse and mental disorders in firefighters.*



15.5% of firefighters reported attempting suicide.**



Women in protective services had the highest rate of suicide of any occupation studied.**

*Dr. Candice M. McDonald, Retention of Internal Stakeholders in the U.S. Fire Service, 2016 **Dr. Sara Jahnke, Women in Fire conference, 2022 Opening Session



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NATIONAL VOLUNTEER FIRE COUNCIL FIRE • EMS • RESCUE	PLATINUM \$20,000	GOLD \$10,000	SILVER \$5,000	BRONZE \$2,500
Logo and name recognition in at least one issue of Member Mail during the year.	\checkmark	\checkmark		
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Logo on Helpline brochure	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark
Name recognition in press release to industry media promoting the Helpline	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark
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