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The realization that firefighter cancer is an overwhelming issue firefighters face in today's fire service solidified my involvement with the FCSN to bring much-needed assistance, cancer prevention, and training to the South Carolina fire service.

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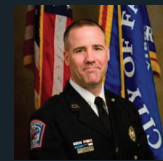
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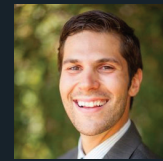
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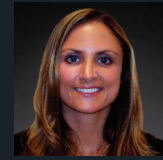
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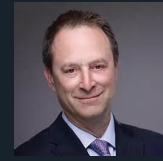
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WHY WE EXIST

Fire is not our biggest threat, cancer is: not only is it the greatest danger to firefighter health and safety today, cancer is the leading cause of firefighter line-of-duty death.

Since 2005, the 501(c)(3) nonprofit Firefighter Cancer Support Network (FCSN) has been the hero our heroes need when facing a cancer diagnosis. In addition to much needed firefighter cancer awareness, education, and prevention training nationwide, FCSN provides critical assistance and one-on-one support for thousands of firefighters and their families facing an overwhelming diagnosis.

Founded with passion by Los Angeles County Firefighter/Paramedic Michael Dubron, a survivor of stage IV colon cancer, FCSN's impact and reach has grown substantially since its inception. Key supporters and partners include many nationally and internationally respected fire-service organizations, including the:

- International Association of Fire Fighters (IAFF)
- International Association of Fire Chiefs (IAFC)
- National Volunteer Fire Council (NVFC)
- National Fallen Firefighters Foundation (NFFF)
- Fire Service Occupational Cancer Alliance (of which FCSN is a founding member)

Starting with one firefighter at a time, our goal was to support first responders and their families, which quickly grew into a vision to be the global leader in firefighter cancer support, awareness and education.

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HERE IS HOW YOUR SUPPORT MAKES A DIFFERENCE:

FIREFIGHTER CANCER SUPPORT NETWORK HAS TRAINED OVER



WHO IN TURN HAVE TRAINED AN ESTIMATED



WE HAVE DIRECTLY TRAINED OVER

50000

FIREFIGHTERS IN THE TAKING ACTION AGAINST CANCER IN THE FIRE SERVICE PROGRAM

The harsh reality is that almost two-thirds of the firefighters battling fires today will be battling cancer tomorrow. By making a meaningful contribution to our mission, to assist firefighters and EMS providers and their immediate families diagnosed with cancer through our unique support services, we can make a greater impact on our nation's heroes battling cancer.

11000

ASSISTED APPROXIMATELY 11000 FIREFIGHTERS OR THEIR FAMILY MEMBERS FOR MORE THAN 16 YEARS

950

WE HAVE INSPIRED OVER 950 VOLUNTEERS TO JOIN THE FIGHT AND HELP US RESPOND TO OUR MEMBERS' NEEDS

220

WE CURRENTLY HAVE OVER 220 ACTIVE MENTORS READY TO ASSIST OUR MEMBERS AND THEIR FAMILIES*

*estimates based on current collected data

PERCENTAGE OF EACH DOLLAR GOES TO:

79% PROGRAMS
15% GENERAL ADMINISTRATION
6% FUNDRAISING

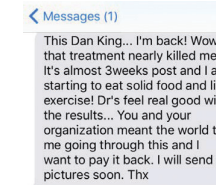


WHAT WE DO



BADGE-TO-BADGE MENTORSHIP

Critical assistance for career or volunteer, active or retired firefighters, emergency medical service providers, and their immediate family members who have been diagnosed with cancer is provided through valuable and immediate post-diagnosis resources followed by unique 24-hour **badge-to-badge** mentorship from one of over 220 fire-service expert mentors. Beyond the badge, our program offers similar support for caregivers and children as well.



FCSN SIGNATURE TOOLBOX

Within days of diagnosis, we deliver our free **cancer-support toolbox** which, in addition to being a daily reminder that no one fights alone, includes the **Firefighter's Guide to Cancer Survivorship**, that contains tested, proven resources to help firefighters and their families cope with and manage through their diagnosis, treatment, and recovery processes. Our guide was informed by the American Cancer Society (ACS) and created to provide easy access to the following information:

- medical appointments
- physical challenges
- mental strain and fatigue
- worker's compensation
- caregiver support
- medical team communication
- survivorship
- journaling resources
- testimonials

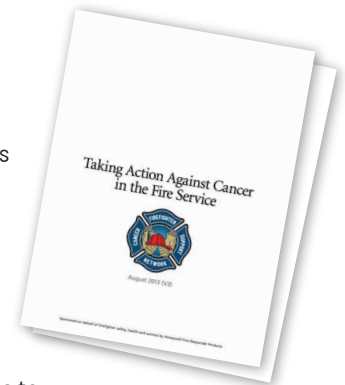


CANCER AWARENESS & PREVENTION EDUCATION

FCSN has delivered our extensive **cancer awareness and prevention** training program to thousands of firefighters across America from the largest fire-service events, including the Fire Department Instructors Conference, Fire-Rescue International, and the National Volunteer Firefighter Council national conference to fire departments of every size, both volunteer and career.

RESEARCH & DEVELOPMENT

Widely hailed as a groundbreaking study and guidebook, the 2013 FCSN White Paper, **Taking Action Against Cancer in the Fire Service**, continues to be an **important resource** for individuals and fire departments nationwide to expose, reduce and manage cancer risk. The useful, 11 immediate actions, has been implemented across the country to help protect firefighters from occupational cancer. FCSN continues to actively engage with experts to participate in engineering and medical research studies. Additionally, FCSN continues to be a resource for leading cancer organizations, physicians, research scientists and institutes to gather and report the prominence of cancer amongst members of the fire service.



ADVOCACY & DATA REPORTING

FCSN staff provides information specific to cancer in firefighters. In particular, types most prominent, demographic information, statistical data related to geographical incidence, and other relevant data points. **FCSN also works directly with many of the leading cancer physicians, research scientists and institutes to gather and report the prevalence of cancer amongst members of the fire service.**



FIRE FIGHTER CANCER AWARENESS MONTH



In partnership with the Firefighter Cancer Support Network, the IAFF has designated January as **Fire Fighter Cancer Awareness Month** to provide fire fighters the necessary tools and guidance to develop life-saving protocols for cancer prevention and to support those with a cancer diagnosis within their departments.

JOIN THE FIGHT!

Contact us today to find out how you can help.



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