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1. Everyday Hero CT Unveils Volunteer Firefighter Recruitment Videos

Written, Directed, Produced by a Hebron Volunteer Firefighter, PSA Issues Serious Call to Action

The Everyday Hero CT volunteer firefighter recruitment campaign, in partnership with Hebron volunteer firefighter and New York City-based cinematographer Matthew Troy, today launches "See You Out There," a recruitment public service announcement that brought some Hollywood to Connecticut last August during three days of production. The PSA can be seen beginning today via social media and other online platforms, television, and various partnerships. Designed to increase awareness and visibility for the volunteer firefighter shortage in Connecticut, 30-, 60-, and 90-second versions of the PSA include captivating footage and visually groundbreaking moments as well as feature fire personnel from 16 different departments, including at least one from every county in Connecticut.

"From start to finish, the production of this PSA was an undertaking like none I've ever witnessed," says Everyday Hero CT program manager Fred Dudek, retired chief of the Killingworth Volunteer Fire Company. "Lots of folks have made volunteer recruitment videos in the past, but none have had the great fortune to partner with Matthew Troy to

produce something of this caliber that was then brought to an even higher level by Matthew's passion for volunteerism and the fire service."

The Everyday Hero CT program is proud to release the PSAs and the members of the steering committee are excited to see the impact it will have throughout Connecticut – from changing the way people regard their local fire departments and their neighbors who volunteer to igniting (no pun intended!) people's passion to step up and lend a hand.

"It has been a dream come true to be at the helm of this production," says Troy. "This is the proudest production of my career thus far – it is different from anything we've ever seen from the volunteer fire service before."

Highlighting volunteer firefighters operating at various emergency scenes and performing some of the many skills they possess thanks to the professional training they receive, the PSA illustrates that volunteer firefighters come from all walks of life. They're male, female, teachers, business owners, retirees, mothers, fathers, students, and more. And, they want more members of their communities to answer the call. The video ends with a plea: "So, what are you waiting for? Are you ready to make a difference? Are you ready to join our team? Your community needs you. We need you."

Connecticut has more than 300 fire departments staffed by over 26,000 firefighters, 83 percent of whom are volunteers and are professionally trained. Volunteer firefighters can be called upon 24 hours per day, seven days per week to abandon the warmth and comfort of their homes in the middle of the night or during a holiday celebration, leave the fun of family gatherings on sunny summer afternoons, enter burning buildings, rescue stranded hikers and struggling swimmers, extricate victims from automobiles, and more. Volunteer firefighters save their communities millions of dollars every year.

The majority of fire departments throughout the state are experiencing a volunteer shortage. Local fire departments need volunteers of all skill levels and abilities, people willing and able to respond to emergencies whenever called upon, as well as support personnel such as fire police, administrative assistants, and more.

About Everyday Hero CT
Everyday Hero CT, a program dedicated to increasing the number of volunteer firefighters throughout the state. A partnership of the Connecticut Fire Chiefs Association (CFCA) and the International Association of Fire Chiefs (IAFC), the Everyday Hero CT campaign is a Volunteer Workforce Solutions (VWS) initiative designed to address the shortage of volunteer firefighters in Connecticut. It is helping achieve a viable and sustainable volunteer firefighter workforce for fire departments throughout Connecticut. Everyday Hero CT is funded by a Staffing for Adequate Fire and Emergency Response (SAFER) grant awarded to the CFCA by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security's Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) to develop a model to enhance the recruitment and retention of volunteer firefighters.

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2. Benefit Dinner for Steve Coulon, North Haven FD

The members of the North Haven Fire Department: Montowese Co. 2, West Ridge Co. 3, and Northeast Co 4 are planning a benefit dinner to help Steve battle an unexpected illness and

medical costs. The event will take place on Friday, May 4, 2018 from 5:00pm to 10:00pm at the Hamden Elks, 175 School St, Hamden, CT. Tickets are $25 per person, children under 16 are free. Dinner, dessert, beer and soda will be provided. Cash bar will be available as well as many raffle prizes. For tickets, contact Angel Sanjurjo 203-589-0855 / ablaze124@yahoo.com, Mark Petrone 203-623-4133 / email: markpetrone@comcast.net, or Ray Prunier 203-627-9885 / rcprunier@yahoo.com

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3. CFSI Releases 2018 Legislative Outlook

The Congressional Fire Services Institute (CFSI) has released its Legislative Outlook for the Second Session of the 115th Congress. In 2018, Congress is considering many issues of critical importance to the nation's fire and emergency services. Actions taken by Congress will have a direct impact on the fire service's ability to prepare for, respond to, prevent, and mitigate incidents both large and small, natural and man-made, local and national in scope. The CFSI Legislative Outlook is synopsis of some critical issues that will be considered during the Second Session of the 115th Congress.

"On April 18th and 19th, over 1,500 fire service leaders will be in Washington, DC attending the 30th Annual National Fire and Emergency Services Symposium and Dinner. As part of the event, they will be on Capitol Hill meeting with members of Congress to discuss a number of critical issues," said Bill Webb, CFSI's Executive Director. "We hope this document will not only be a valuable resource for them while they prepare for their trip to our nation's capital, but also for their members of Congress."

The CFSI 2018 Legislative Outlook, as well as a full list of current fire service legislation, can be found by visiting CFSI's website.

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4. Commission on Fire Prevention & Control Notice of Intent to Adopt Certification Regulation

In accordance with the provisions of Section 4-168(a) of the *Connecticut General Statutes* (CGS) the **Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection** hereby gives notice that it proposes to adopt a regulation concerning **Fire Fighter Qualifications and Certification Policy and Procedures Rules and Regulations**. More details are available from the specified agency and are also posted at the following link: PR2016-013.

Comment period *(See CGS section 4-168(a)(1)(A))*

A comment period of not less than thirty days shall begin upon posting of this notice to the eRegulations System website and shall end on **April 30, 2018**.

Detailed description of the proposed regulation. *(See CGS Sec. 4-168(a)(1)(B))*

1. Clarifies adoption of the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) Professional Qualification Standards, by reference, as the standard for fire fighter certification in Connecticut. NFPA professional standards are revised on a rotating five-year cycle. The department offers 48 levels of professional certification correlated to 13 separate NFPA standards to meet the demands of the department's constituency. Adoption by reference allows the department to revise certification testing requirements without the need to revise regulations on a continual basis while maintaining the department's compliance with the

adopted standards and requirements of the accrediting agencies. NFPA standards are available through free access at http://www.nfpa.org/codes-andstandards/ document-information-pages.
2. Clarifies the examination completion period requirements for certification candidates. Proposed language for both practical and written examinations is the same and specifies that the candidate retake the requisite course after the 12-month certification period expires.
3. Revises the criteria for revocation of certificates. Proposed language is aligned with C.G.S. Sec. 46a-80.
4. Outlines appeal process for grades and revocation of certificates.
5. Makes technical and editorial revisions.

Statement of the purposes for which the regulation is proposed. *(See CGS Sec. 4-168(a)(1)(C))*

The purpose of this proposal is to add certification levels offered, on a voluntary basis to members of the Connecticut fire service, by the Commission on Fire Prevention and Control, pursuant to section 7-323l of the Connecticut General Statutes. Authority to certify individuals is a requirement of department's accrediting agencies, the National Board on Fire Service Professional Qualifications (Pro Board) and the International Fire Service Accreditation Congress (IFSAC). Pro Board and IFSAC review each accredited certifying agency on a five-year cycle. The department has increased the levels offered for fire fighter certification requiring a change in the level of the standard in Connecticut's regulation.

Statutory authority *(See CGS Sec. 4-168(a)(1)(D))*

Conn. Gen Stats. Sec. 7-323l(b)

When, where and how to obtain a copy of the small business impact statement and, if applicable, the regulatory flexibility analysis required pursuant to Sec. 4-168a. *(See CGS Sec. 4-168(a)(1)(E))*

A copy of the proposed regulation, the Fiscal Note, and the Regulatory Flexibility Analysis applicable to the proposed regulation (as required by Public Act 09-19) are available for inspection at Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection, Legal Affairs Unit, located at 1111 Country Club Rd, Middletown, CT 06457, by requesting a copy of the same by telephoning the Department at (860)685-8150, or by viewing the same by

visiting the e-Regulations portal on the website of the Secretary of State: https://eregulations.ct.gov/eRegsPortal/Browse/ProposedRegulations

When, where and how interested persons may present their views on the proposed regulation *(See CGS Sec. 4-168(a)(1)(F))*

All interested parties who wish to submit comments, data, views, or arguments may do so in writing up through the closing date of the comment period listed above. Such written materials should be directed to Colin Milne, Staff Attorney II, Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection, and sent via:

1. Postal Mail to Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection, Legal Affairs Unit, 1111 Country Club Rd., Middletown, CT 06457.
2. Electronic submission through the e-Regulations portal on the website of the Secretary of State: https://eregulations.ct.gov/eRegsPortal/Browse/ProposedRegulations

3. email to DESPP.Legal@ct.gov

A Public Hearing may be announced and held at a future date to present the proposed regulation and accept Public Comment.

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5. One Year Extension for State of CT Naloxone Rebate Program

Connecticut Assistant Attorney General Michael Cole notified us that the Office of the Connecticut Attorney General and Amphastar, the manufacturer of Naloxone, have agreed to extend the State of Connecticut Naloxone Rebate for an additional year. He asks that we notify all Connecticut Public Safety agencies of this extended agreement.

The rebate provides $6 back to agencies for each dose purchased during the quarter periods. Seven quarters have closed so far in the program providing $144,798 in rebates for 24,133 doses.

Attached to this letter are the forms and directions for agencies to take part in the rebate through its closing on March 24, 2019. (See Attached)

Governor Malloy's Office asked Common Cents EMS Supply to process the rebate program for Connecticut State and Municipal Agencies. Through an Agreement with the Office of the Attorney general we are providing this on a volunteer basis without charge.

Thank you for your service.

John T Dunn
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6. CSFA Legislative Update

Everyone,

Due to the holiday this past week (Good Friday), the next CSFA Legislative Update will be distributed for the listserv on Friday, April 6th. The next update will include a House Bill Status Report and a detailed schedule for Fire Service Day on Wednesday, April 11th at the Capitol.

Thank you for your patience.

Sincerely,

Leon Collins

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7. New London County Fire Chiefs March Meeting Notice

The New London County Fire Chiefs March Monthly Meeting will be held beginning at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, April 4, 2018 and hosted by the Colchester-Hayward Fire Department 52 Old Hartford Rd in Colchester 06415

50-Year Life Member George Collins, of Ashaway, RI will be honored during Wednesday's meeting.

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8. CT Fire Marshals Association Annual Conference – April 12-13, 2018

The CFMA's Annual Conference will be held April 12-13, 2018 at Eversource 107 Selden Street in Berlin, CT. 14.5 CT Credit Hours will be awarded for attendance on both days. Please see the attached program flyer for additional information and registration. The registration deadline is April 6 and is limited to 125 attendees each day.

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