



2020

FIREFIGHTERS AND EMS FUND VOTER GUIDE



EXERCISE YOUR RIGHTS!

November 3rd is just around the corner, and it's more important than ever to vote to support firefighters and first responders.

Make sure you get out to vote by mail or at the polls!

Resources, Funding, and Opportunities for Training

Continuous training and professional development are necessary to ensure firefighters and emergency personnel are able to respond during a crisis. The average fire department is under-equipped and understaffed, and the number of opportunities a firefighter has to sharpen their skills and learn new techniques are too infrequent. Help make sure your departments have the funding they need to properly train!

Funding for Facilities and Equipment

Fire stations are the home base for emergency responders. They need to be well-equipped to OSHA standards, and have features that promote training, education, safety, and rest. Modern facilities ensure first responders are able to respond in a timely manner with the equipment and tools necessary to help citizens no matter what.

Public Officials Who Care About First Responders

Elect leaders who will ensure adequate benefits and hazard pay for first responders during this difficult time. Since the pandemic has begun, a light has been shone on the insufficient and often nonexistent healthcare benefits first responders receive. Not only should all EMTs, Paramedics, and Firefighters have health insurance. They should receive hazard pay to compensate them for their potential exposure to COVID-19 until the pandemic has officially come to an end.

HOW CAN I HELP?

- Get out and vote on November 3!
- Elect leaders who understand what it takes to be a firefighter or first responder!
- Vote to provide consistent and real-world training opportunities, along with adequate and up-to-date equipment!

REMEMBER! Firefighters and First Responders can be the difference between life and death!