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I wish to donate \$ _____ to the New Hampshire Fire Service & Emergency Medical Services Committee of Merit.
 This will make me a contributor at the following level:

FRIENDSHIP LEVEL (\$1—\$99)	I will be listed in the ceremony program.
CENTURY LEVEL (\$100-\$249)	I will be listed in the program and be acknowledged during the ceremony.
PATRON LEVEL (\$250-\$499)	I will be listed in the program, be acknowledged during the ceremony, and be issued a certificate.
LEADERSHIP LEVEL (\$500 & over)	I will be mentioned in the ceremony program, be acknowledged during the ceremony, and receive a framed certificate.

Please make checks payable to:
NH Fire & EMS Committee of Merit

Mailing Address:
 NH Fire Service & Emergency Medical Services Committee of Merit
 c/o NH FST&EMS
 33 Hazen Drive
 Concord, NH 03305-0002

Help to honor those in the Fire Service
 and Emergency Medical Services
 who go above and beyond...

Become a COM Contributor!



The Committee of Merit is funded entirely
 through generous donations from many
 organizations and individuals like you!

We appreciate your support in keeping time-
 honored traditions like the Annual COM
 Awards & Recognition Presentation able to
 continue for many years to come.

ALL DONATIONS WELCOME!

ANNUAL NH FIRE & EMS AWARD PROGRAM

The New Hampshire Committee of Merit announces its Annual New Hampshire Fire & EMS Service Awards Program, and again requests the support of all fire & EMS service personnel in recognizing outstanding acts of courage by the career, call, and volunteer fire & EMS service personnel of New Hampshire.

This program was initiated in 1986, after the death of Concord Dispatcher Paul Sypek. In his estate, Paul left the original funding and designated a committee to carry out the plan for this recognition. The first annual award ceremony was held in 1987 and, since then, many New Hampshire fire service personnel have been given awards for their heroic actions.

During the planning of the 2005 awards, the Committee recognized that the exceptional activities of the Emergency Medical Services in the state would be an appropriate addition to the ceremony. The Bureau of EMS, under the Division of Fire Standards and Training & EMS, has presented annual statewide awards since 1996, and the merger of these two entities was coordinated and implemented by the Committee.

The Fall 2005 Awards was the first of many cooperative events created to recognize the natural union of these emergency services and the outstanding contributions that the Fire Service and Emergency Medical System of this state give to the residents and visitors of New Hampshire.

In 2016, the Academy Awards, a 21 year tradition, joined with the COM to honor those who have made outstanding contributions in fire training education.

The NH Fire Service & Emergency Medical Services Committee of Merit:

- ◆ **Deborah A. Pendergast**, Chair
- ◆ **Alan Sypek**, Vice Chair
- ◆ **Richard Mason**, Treasurer
- ◆ **June Connor**, Secretary
- ◆ **Phil LeBlanc**, Londonderry Fire Dept.
- ◆ **Peter Lennon**, NH Fire Prevention Society
- ◆ **Brian Clarenbach**, Professional Firefighters of NH
- ◆ **Mark Klose**, NH Assn. of Fire Chiefs (**Brian Borneman**, Alternate)
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- ◆ **Ed Gannon**, Volunteer Fire Service
- ◆ **Jon Goldman**, NH Emergency Dispatchers Association
- ◆ **Kevin Kennedy**, SWNH Fire Mutual Aid
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- ◆ **Steve Barton**, Fire Instructors & Officers Assn. of NH
- ◆ **Christopher Johnson**, Concord Fire Dept.
- ◆ **Ryan Ridley**, Member-At-Large
- ◆ **Robert "Bud" Chapman**, Member-At-Large
- ◆ **Kevin Lassonde**, Member-At-Large

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

- The New Hampshire Fire Service Committee of Merit funds, by the wishes of the originator, are to be derived from private sources for the continuance of the awards program.
- It is not the intent of this program to seek funds from the State of New Hampshire.
- Donations to the Committee are tax deductible under the provisions of the Internal Revenue Service section 501(c) 4.

The Committee has established contributor levels, and below is the recognition that each level will receive:

LEADERSHIP LEVEL: \$500 OR MORE

- ◆ Acknowledgement during the awards ceremony
- ◆ Framed certificate presented at the awards ceremony
- ◆ Certificate of appreciation issued

PATRON LEVEL: \$250–\$499

- ◆ Acknowledgement during the awards ceremony
- ◆ Name listed in the awards ceremony program
- ◆ Certificate of appreciation issued

CENTURY LEVEL: \$100–\$249

- ◆ Acknowledgement during the awards ceremony
- ◆ Name listed in the awards ceremony program

FRIENDSHIP LEVEL: \$1–\$99

- ◆ Printed acknowledgement in the awards ceremony program

NOTE: The Committee's tax identification number is 02-0451557.

We would sincerely appreciate your making a contribution to this worthwhile endeavor!

REMEMBER: No amount is too small!