



# Fighting Cancer Together

As part of a mutual desire to help fire fighters and EMS personnel coping with cancer, the American Cancer Society (ACS), the International Association of Fire Fighters (IAFF) and the IAFF Foundation are working together to fight cancer in the fire service. For fire fighters and emergency medical personnel, occupational cancer deaths have surpassed all other line-of-duty deaths to become the leading cause of death.

This collaboration includes making cancer resources more readily available through access to occupational cancer prevention programs and patient support programs to ensure that fire fighters and EMS personnel have the information, resources and support needed to help prevent and treat occupational cancer.

## Prevention Programs

- Promoting healthy behaviors through nutrition and active lifestyle support
- Screenings and tests to find and diagnose cancer
- Tobacco cessation
- Treatment and support resources

## Patient Support Services

- Custom access to ACS National Cancer Information Center (NCIC)
- Road To Recovery®: Provides free transportation for cancer treatments
- Hope Lodge®/Hotel Partners programs: Assists with free lodging for cancer patients receiving treatment away from home and their caregiver.

## Fundraising

The IAFF Foundation and ACS are partnering to create mutually agreed upon fundraising campaigns for Locals, Departments, and members to join, with opportunities for corporate and public support.

## Public Policy, Research, & Marketing

Together, we are working in areas of joint interest to influence federal legislation that directly affects cancer.

We are exploring areas of research projects to find more – and better – treatments, uncovering factors that may cause cancer, and improving the quality of life for people facing cancer.

We are jointly sharing messaging to increase awareness and education to IAFF members and the public through internal and external channels. And giving Locals materials for their community use.



**For 24/7 support, call the IAFF/ACS Support Line at 1.877.901.7848 | [www.IAFF.org/FightCancer](http://www.IAFF.org/FightCancer)**