



## **NEWS RELEASE**

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### **TVF&R Firefighters to “Fill the Boot” for MDA**

For the next two Fridays and Saturdays, off-duty firefighters and family members from Tualatin Valley Firefighters Union (Local 1660) will be asking motorists to “Fill the Boot” for Muscular Dystrophy Association (MDA). These volunteers will be posted at several locations in TVF&R’s service area (see below schedule), asking motorists to donate cash into their firefighter boots. Last year, TVF&R firefighters raised approximately \$40,000.

The money raised by firefighters is used by the MDA for research and treatments to prolong children's lives. It is spent on braces and wheelchairs, on community health centers, support groups, and summer camps. The International Association of Firefighters have been strong supporters of MDA since 1954.

Individuals unable to visit a “Fill the Boot” intersection can donate on-line at [www.tvfr.com](http://www.tvfr.com) or at any TVF&R office or fire station. Checks should be made out to MDA.

#### **Friday 8/13 and Friday 8/20**

**7:00 – 10:00 am**

Beaverton - Hwy 217 / Farmington  
West Linn - 10<sup>th</sup> St/I-205

**3:00 - 6:00 pm**

Beaverton - Hwy 217/Farmington  
Tualatin – Bridgeport Rd/I-5

#### **Saturday 8/14 and Saturday 8/21**

**10:00 am – 4:00 pm**

Tualatin – Bridgeport Rd/I-5

*The International Association of Fire Fighters (IAFF) has been a major contributor to MDA for over 50 years through its annual “Fill the Boot” event. There are over 100 families in TVF&R's service area receiving support from the MDA. The money that you donate to our Fill the Boot effort is dedicated to our Columbia/Willamette Chapter of the MDA. This chapter helps provide assistance for medical care expenses, specialized equipment, and other costs including MDA camp, and local support groups.*

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