AUXILIARY EMERGENCY FUND October Bulletin

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Hello Rescue Squad,

I hope that this bulletin finds you well and staying safe. We have had a crazy year, first the COVID and now fires burning out of control throughout our state. Last I heard there were 300 active fires. This is just insane. In my hometown of Yucaipa, the El Dorado fire is not fully contained and continues to burn. Fires are unpredictable and it is pretty scarry knowing they can change direction at any time. I hope each one of our members are safe.

I realize I sometimes sound like a broken record however with fires raging out of control in our state the AEF program is vitally important. Please be vigilant in searching for those members who may need our assistance so that we may provide them with the help they need. If you have a member applying for AEF assistance, remember to review and follow all the guidelines. This information can be found on the National Website. If you do not have access to a computer, please let me know and I will be happy to print information and send it to you. This is why we are called the Rescue Squad, to help our members.

One of our main objectives is to raise funds for this program. If you have had profitable fundraisers, please spread the word to other units and districts to help them achieve success in this area. You can also send me the information and I will share it in a future bulletin.

Finally, the mid-year report is coming up. Please include all donations whether it is personal, unit or district on your mid-year report. If there were any individual donations made, please be sure to include the person's name and unit number on your mid-year report. The *Unit* Mid-Year report is due to your *District* AEF Chairman by December 1st. District Chairmen, the deadline to submit your Mid-Year report to the Department Chairman is December 15th. This chairman is looking forward to your reports and supplementals. I appreciate if you adhere to the deadline as last year, I received a report and supplemental two weeks late and could not use them. Once again if you need any information or have any questions please do not hesitate to call or email me and I will do my best to provide you with what you need.

Please stay safe and do not forget social distancing. Happy Halloween!

Yours in Service, Not Self

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