

FIREFIGHTER AWARD PROGRAM 2011-2012

Awarded to an individual or team* who actively fights fires as a member of any public or volunteer company organized to fight fires and give assistance to our nation's citizens.

Documentation required for all candidates:

- Nomination letter containing the nominee's name, title, address, telephone and identifying the award for which the individual should be considered.
- One page resume of the nominee's overall background or team background.
- One page resume of the nominee's background in their field or team background.
- One page listing of the nominee's or team accomplishments and awards.
- Photograph (preferably a head shot) of the candidate (3x5 or 5x7). Team nominations should include a group photo.

Every community certainly has at least one "outstanding firefighter" who should be recognized. Each Post Commander is urged to direct his appointed Safety Chairman to find a nominee or name a Special Chairman to submit an "outstanding firefighter nominee." The Post Chairman is responsible for coordinating this program and selecting the Post's most worthy candidate or team. This individual would then be submitted to the District Chairman for judging. **The District then submits ONE winner to the State Chairman for final selection with the report form completed for all participating posts.**

An individual selected as our "Outstanding Firefighter" will receive one plaque for their individual keeping and one to be presented at their place of business or work or where they desire to have the award presented to them. A team that is selected as our "Outstanding Law Enforcement Officer" will receive two plaques, both to be presented at their place of business or work or where they desire to have the award presented to them. I, as Director or one of the State Officers or District Commander will present these awards. This is one program that can help you qualify for All-State honors. Don't forget to have the cover sheets filled out with all information on sheet and photograph to be sent with cover sheet.

*** Attention: We have changed this program for 2011-2012, allowing a team to be nominated. However, since the National VFW is not yet recognizing teams, we will be submitting the highest scoring individual to be recognized as the Department of Kansas Firefighter of the year to receive a citation from National.**

Program deadlines:

- Delivered to the Post – December 1, 2011
- Delivered to the District – December 15, 2011
- Delivered to the Department (me) by January 3rd, 2012

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NOMINEE INFORMATION SHEET
VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS
FIREFIGHTER GOLD MEDAL AWARD

NAME AND TITLE OF NOMINEE (Individual) _____

OR

NAMES OF TEAM MEMBERS _____

FIRE STATION NAME

TOWN, CITY, or COUNTY NAME _____

RESUME OF NOMINEE'S PERSONAL BACKGROUND (Individual)
FOR TEAM NOMINATION GIVE TEAM INFORMATION

RESUME OF NOMINEE'S BACKGROUND IN FIRE/EMERGENCY SAFETY (Individual)
FOR TEAM NOMINATION GIVE TEAM INFORMATION

NOMINEE'S ACCOMPLISHMENTS IN FIRE/EMERGENCY SAFETY FIELD:
INDIVIDUAL OR TEAM

PHOTOGRAPH OF NOMINEE(S):
INDIVIDUAL OR TEAM

SEND THIS COMPLETED FORM, RESUME(S) AND PHOTOGRAPH TO:

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POST # and DISTRICT # SUBMITTING: _____

SIGNATURE OF DISTRICT CHAIRPERSON OR DISTRICT COMMANDER

NOTE: Nominee information sheet must be received by January 2nd, 2012.