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North Metro Firefighters Collect Funds for Muscular Dystrophy Association Annual “Fill the Boot” Campaign Begins Friday

Broomfield/Northglenn, CO— This Labor Day weekend, firefighters and staff from North Metro Fire Rescue District and Local 2203 will be giving a life-threatening disease the boot as they raise money for the Muscular Dystrophy Association (MDA).

In between answering emergency calls, North Metro firefighters will have their boots in hand to collect money on street corners throughout Broomfield and Northglenn beginning Friday, August 29 through Monday, September 1.

Crews will collect from 9 a.m. to noon and from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. at the following locations:

- 1st Avenue and Chase near Home Depot
- Flatirons Crossing on Interlocken Loop near Flatirons Mall
- The Northglenn Marketplace on 104th Avenue
- Broomfield Wal-Mart on 121st Avenue

Last year, as part of the “Fill the Boot” Campaign, District residents contributed over \$43,000 for MDA. That was an increase from the year before when they collectively donated \$28,000. This year, Local 2203’s MDA coordinator, firefighter Eric Farnsworth, is raising the group’s goal to \$50,000.

Fighting Muscular Dystrophy can be costly for both families and researchers investigating better treatments, so any size donation is a great help. Funding from this weekend’s “Fill the Boot” Campaign goes to support initiatives through MDA such as summer camps for kids with muscular dystrophy, clinical research and MDA clinics to support patients and families.

Every year, North Metro Fire and Local 2203 participate in collecting for the MDA in partnership with the International Association of Firefighters, which celebrates its 60th year of supporting MDA.

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North Metro Fire Rescue District

North Metro Fire Rescue District is dedicated to providing quality service to its residents through fire protection, emergency medical services, hazardous materials response and specialized rescue. Formed in 1946, the district now covers 63 square miles with a population of approximately 111,000 people including the City and County of Broomfield, the City of Northglenn and unincorporated areas of Boulder, Adams, Weld and Jefferson Counties.