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Firehouse Magazine Donates \$5,000 to BLAZE Mentoring Program

BLAZE works with students in MNPS high schools to provide mentoring sessions

Nashville, TN (September 27, 2019) – Firehouse Magazine donated \$5,000 to the BLAZE Mentoring Program for the second year.

BLAZE is a 501 (c) 3 created with a focus on high school students that attend Metropolitan Nashville Public Schools. Volunteer mentors, who are members of the Nashville Fire Department, visit MNPS high schools to present various sessions to inspire students to follow their dreams and goals.

“The impact of the BLAZE Mentoring Program has deepened and we are excited about offering scholarship opportunities to the students,” NFD Community Services Officer Kendra Loney said. “This donation will allow us to fund the scholarship awards and continue to live out the mission of BLAZE.”

While BLAZE hopes some of the students will consider joining the Nashville Fire Department in the future, the main goal is to provide students with the support, guidance and resources they need to be successful.

“We are so grateful to Firehouse Magazine for their continued support and donation to BLAZE Mentoring Program,” Nashville Fire Department Director Chief William Swann said. “The Nashville Fire Department has always been committed to doing whatever we can to help the children in our community. This donation to the mentoring program will help ensure BLAZE can continue this important work.”

Firehouse Expo 2019 will be held at the Music City Center in Nashville from October 8th through October 12th.

Firehouse Expo is the leading trade show and expo for the fire industry. During the four day event the most innovative tools are featured as well as training, equipment and exposure to the ideas and inspiration firefighters need to be the best, the brightest and bravest in the business, according to event details from Firehouse Magazine.

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Nashville Fire Department Mission Statement:

The mission of the Nashville Fire Department is to provide high quality fire, medical and rescue emergency responses. The NFD also provides community support services to the citizens and visitors within Nashville and Davidson County. This ensures they can work and reside in a community where an all hazards response minimizes harm to life, property, and the environment.

Nashville Fire Department Director Chief William Swann Vision Statement:

My commitment to you is to work to make the Nashville Fire Department well-trained, progressive, and a highly respected fire department. We will continue to be committed to promoting inclusion, equality, and respect. My promise to you is to make sure we are all creating a safer community through prevention, preparedness, and effective emergency response.



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