



20th Anniversary

THE RESPONDER

Spring 2021

TEAM FUNDRAISING

In tribute to first responders and those who lost their lives on 9/11, First Responders Children's Foundation has partnered with Enesco, LLC to offer a collection of keepsakes that share our patriotic pride and gratitude. 10% of net sales will be donated to the Foundation.

Enesco, LLC is a global leader in the giftware and home and garden décor industries. Serving more than 44,000 customers worldwide, Enesco distributes products to a wide variety of specialty card and gift retailers, home décor boutiques, mass market chains and online retailers.

The Tribute Collection is available now at shop.Enesco.com/9-11



A Bright Opportunity with **MAGLITE**

For a limited time, MagLite will be creating First Responders Children's Foundation branded products with a portion of sales donated to the Foundation. When this partnership is ready to launch in June, we will be emailing everyone in our community a preview of the collection as well as a link to purchase these items before they sell out. For more information about MagLite, visit www.maglite.com. From flashlights to roadside safety bundles, MagLite is a leading manufacturer of flashlights which have been popular with police officers, firefighters, and mechanics since the 1970's.

HIGH SCORE HEROES



On April 28th, First Responders Children's Foundation kicked off a Livestream fundraising campaign on the Tiltify platform that connects with streamers and donors to raise money through interactive, telethon-style fundraising broadcasts.

The Foundation has set a goal of raising \$25,000 to financially assist firefighters, EMTs, paramedics, emergency room medical staff and police officers who are facing financial hardship.

The heroes highlighted on April 28 will be "High Score Heroes" throughout the month of May and pay tribute to:

- **National Nurses Week: May 6-12**
- **National Police Week: May 9-15**
- **National EMS Week: May 16-22**

You can choose to support this fundraising effort in several ways: live stream your musical talent, challenge everyday gamers, and/or create your own unique, superhero fundraiser. All the options can be found on our dedicated Tiltify page: <https://tiltify.com/first-responders-childrens-foundation>

First Responders and Children Make Beautiful Music

The First Responders Children's Foundation music program is bringing together 10 talented children to work with 10 musical first responders to create 10 original songs and record an album. "We believe music has the power to heal the world," said the program's energetic and innovative creator, NYPD Sgt. Johnny Hines, a former choreographer and hip hop dancer who decided to apply to the NYPD on the way home from his audition to become one of Michael Jackson's dancers (ask him the story—it's a good one). Johnny has a vision for the program to spread to other cities where first responders and teens can come together and see one another as human beings instead of adversaries. Music Director LaToya Lewis joins the fun to help the first responders and gifted children develop their voices to a level of artistry that landed this group the honor of singing The National Anthem for the Fun City Bowl at MetLife Stadium on June 6! Come watch the game and be inspired by these incredible children and first responders who are changing the world one octave at a time.



20 YEAR COMMEMORATION OF 9/11 TRIBUTE

FIRST RESPONDERS CHILDREN'S FOUNDATION



FDNY vs. NYPD

48th ANNUAL

FUN CITY BOWL

METLIFE STADIUM • JUNE 6, 2021

TAILGATE PARTY

9:00 am – 2:00 pm

- Food & Refreshments
- Commemorative Vehicles
 - Vintage Cars
- Rock Climbing Wall & Rope Course
- Game Day Boutique
- 9/11 First Responder Commemorative Walk
- Football Clinic for Children

20 YEARS SINCE 9/11 PREGAME TRIBUTE

2:00 pm – 2:30 pm

- Saluting First Responders Lost on 9/11
- Honoring First Responders with 9/11-Related Illnesses
- Recognizing Children of First Responders Who Embody Resilience & Hope for the Future
- Pipes & Drums & Agency Honor Guards
 - Musical Performances by First Responders & Children

FDNY vs. NYPD FOOTBALL GAME

2:30 pm – 5:30 pm

- Coin Toss in Honor of FDNY Chaplain Father Mychal Judge
- New York's Bravest vs. New York's Finest
 - 48th Annual Fun City Bowl

HALFTIME SHOW

Darryl Worley performing "Have You Forgotten?"

Buy Tickets at FunCityBowl.com

Donate online at 1stRCF.org or Text FOOTBALL to 24365

The Greenbrier Concours d'Elegance



First Responders Children's Foundation was the beneficiary of The Greenbrier Concours d'Elegance

The Greenbrier Concours d'Elegance is an annual vintage automobile showcase at the historic Greenbrier resort in White Sulpher Springs, West Virginia.

Two award recipients of First Responders Children's Foundation scholarships spoke and shared their personal stories with guests at the gala dinner, and auctioneer Kathleen Guzman from the television program, "Antiques Roadshow," sold several auction lots including a Thanksgiving Day Parade Experience and scholarship support.

Proceeds from the charity auction will support first responders and their families through financial assistance, scholarships and programs that support first responder agencies.

Carillon Cares: Summer of Heroes

The Carillon Miami Wellness Resort has partnered with First Responders Children's Foundation to launch Carillon Cares: Summer of Heroes, which includes a donation to the First Responders Children's Foundation for each stay booked to give back to those who selflessly serve on the frontlines and support their communities.

"We are honored to partner with First Responders Children's Foundation through our Carillon Cares program and to give back to the families of frontline heroes across the country," said Patrick Fernandes, Executive Managing Director of Carillon Miami Wellness Resort.

"Gratitude is at the heart of the Carillon



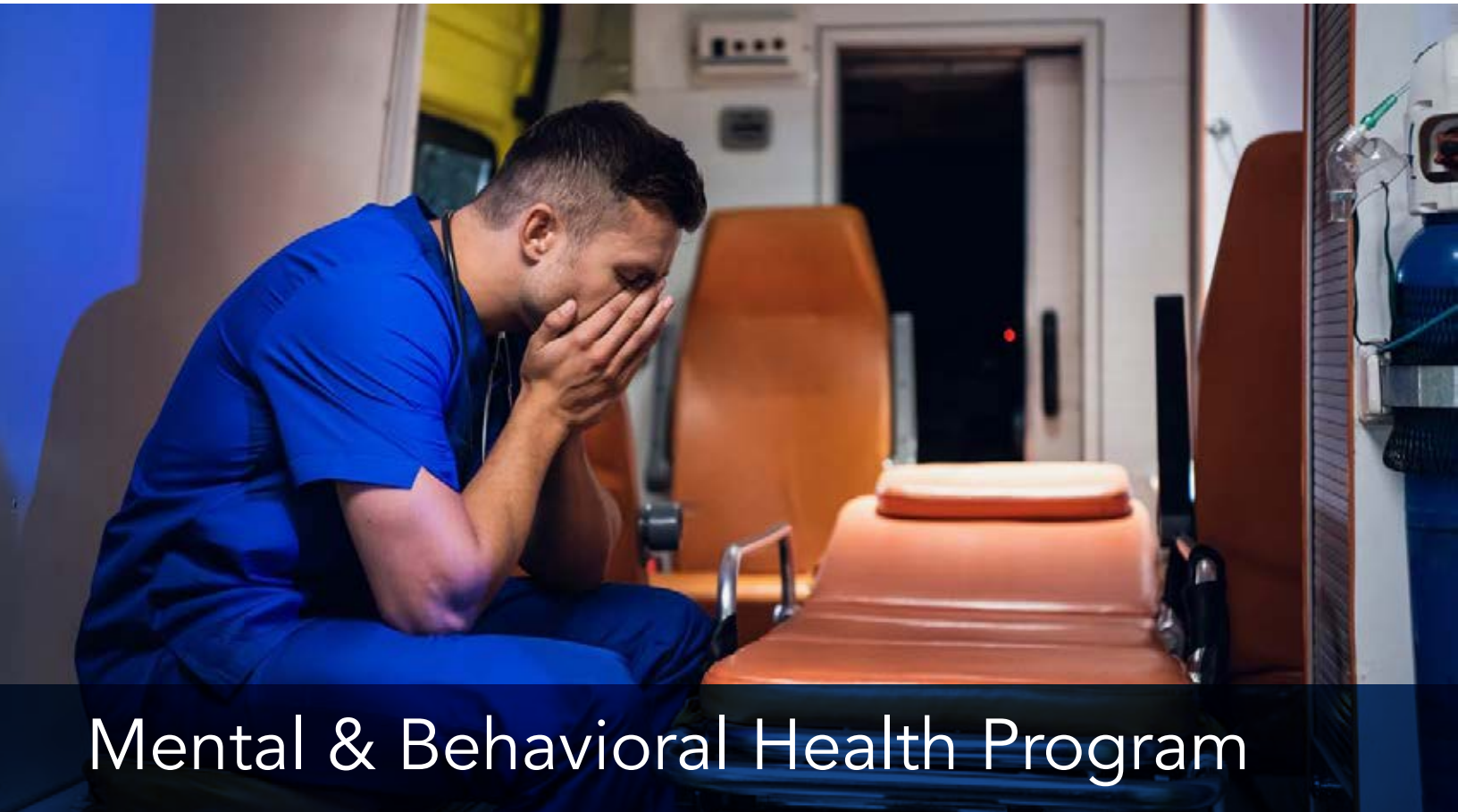
Miami experience which is what led to the launch of our Carillon Cares program. With travel resuming, we are proud to introduce a package that gives back to our frontline workers for each stay booked."

Created to show appreciation towards first responders across the country, the Carillon Cares: Summer of Heroes package includes:

- 10% donation to First Responders Children's Foundation
- 10% savings on stay
- Two touchless wellness treatments per person (max. four treatments)
- Access to 45+ weekly group and virtual fitness classes
- Available now through August 31, 2021

For more information about Carillon Miami Wellness Resort, please visit www.carillonhotel.com/en

MONTHLY INSPIRATION



Mental & Behavioral Health Program

For Mental Health Awareness Month, First Responders Children's Foundation announces its Mental & Behavioral Health Program. It became apparent during the height of the pandemic that the mental and behavioral well-being of first responders and their families have been taxed like never before.

The First Responder Children's Foundation Mental & Behavioral Health Program supports agencies and organizations that are providing much needed mental health services to first responder families. The Foundation is providing grants to first responders and their children in need of mental health services that they otherwise could not afford.

The initial programs that the Foundation is supporting in 2021 include:

- Trauma-informed counseling services to first responders in California, Idaho, Minnesota and the Navajo Nation with At Ease International.
- Enhanced clinical and wellness support programs for first responders and their families in response to and in recognition of the anniversary of 9/11 with Friends of Firefighters, a peer-to-peer counseling program.
- Mental health and wellness facility support with the NYC Police Foundation.
- Mental health support for EMTs that responded to emergencies during the height of the COVID-19 pandemic with The FDNY Foundation.

"The FDNY Foundation is pleased to partner with First Responders Children's Foundation which has generously provided a grant to help support continued mental health for our members. This partnership will allow us to provide ongoing support to FDNY members who have been affected by the stress and trauma related to the pandemic and who have worked tirelessly. Together the FDNY, The FDNY Foundation, and First Responders Children's Foundation will continue to support the mental health of our members."

**—JEAN O'SHEA,
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
OF FDNY FOUNDATION.**



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Cryptocurrencies

Cryptocurrencies have gained traction in financial circles, and First Responders Children's Foundation is about to include cryptocurrencies in the portfolio of how donors can support the Foundation. This is an exciting time for cryptocurrencies, and we will have a secure platform in place in the next few weeks for donating with them so you can support First Responders Children's Foundation not only by check or credit card, but also with cryptocurrency.

