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Our Community Business Leaders,

Firefighter Dustin Mantz was involved in an accident during the afternoon of September 2nd. He was not on duty at the time. Firefighter Mantz is an outdoorsman and it occurred while removing a tree stand. Unfortunately, he fell and landed awkwardly on the ground. The accident left him with an injured spinal column and the loss of function in his legs.

After extensive surgery at University Hospital, he is now working on becoming self sufficient during his rehabilitation at The Drake Center. Firefighter Mantz's injury is so extensive that we can only offer support for his long and painful rehabilitation. His return to active duty is not likely.

As members of the International Association of Fire Fighters, our mission is to secure benefits for our members in need. Firefighter Mantz, and his family, needs our help now, and more than ever. We cannot do it alone. We need your help. We are writing to invite your business to donate to this cause.

We are seeking building materials to aid in the remodeling of his home, making it more accessible to him as he faces living with a disability. Our group of firefighters have pledged considerable time and effort in this task and your assistance will make this possible.

We are also seeking an item or gift certificate for a charity auction and benefit in Firefighter Mantz's name. The benefit will be held in November, as our committee is working hard in developing a wonderful event that everyone can enjoy. This event will aid the expenses he faces during rehabilitation and not being able to work.

For your records, please use our tax identification number, which is **31-1520646**.

IAFF Local 3518 appreciates any donation made for this benefit. To ensure proper recognition for your item, we ask that all donations be received by Monday, October 26th. And when the date is formally announced, you and your business will be invited to join us at the benefit.

Please know that all contributions you make will positively impact the future of Firefighter Dustin Mantz. I, or one of our committee members, will follow up with you within the next week to discuss your possible donation.

Thank you for your thoughtful consideration of our request.

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