

WSDOT Memorial Foundation

Annual Report

Mission Statement: We, the Washington State Department of Transportation Memorial Foundation, are entrusted to preserve the memory of Washington State Department of Transportation fallen workers and to provide assistance to active and retired Washington State Department of Transportation employees and their families in times of need.

Since 2010, the Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT) Memorial Foundation has provided assistance to individuals and their families. While much of the assistance provided by the Foundation is confidential in nature, the Foundation can disclose its involvement in the following activities:

Provided support to over 40 individuals including, but not limited to, the families of fallen workers, two employees struck by vehicles (in separate accidents), two employees with house fires, eleven families in crisis, six employees with medical-related issues, and employee emergency travel funds. In addition, the Foundation awarded financial aid for college to two children of a fallen WSDOT worker. The Foundation has also invested in the GETS program in order to be able to provide other children of fallen WSDOT workers with financial aid when they reach college age. Lastly, the Foundation has worked with WSDOT and the Department of Enterprise Services (DES) on the design and location of a Fallen Worker Memorial near the HQ Transportation Building.

Professional Technical Engineers Local 17, Washington Federation of State Employees, Washington State Patrol Troopers Association, Marine Engineers Beneficial Association and the Washington State Patrol Memorial Foundation were recognized for their ongoing support of the Foundation.

Randy Mawdsley was elected as an At-Large Board member and Brian Palmer, Joyce Komac and Joan Oestreich were re-elected as Board members. Deb Webb was appointed as an Ex Officio Board member. The Board of Directors elected the following officers for a term of two years:

Bill Ford, President
Chris Christopher, Treasurer
Jeff Pelton, Secretary

The Foundation is a non-profit charitable organization (501 c 3) supported entirely by voluntary donations – no state or federal funds are used. It is registered with the IRS, Secretary of State and Combined Fund Drive. The Memorial Foundation has approximately 500 contributing members and continues to grow steadily.

If you would like scholarship information or want to become a contributing member of the WSDOT Memorial Foundation please request the forms through any Board Member or Bill Ford at Bill@WSDOTMF.org, or (360) 561-5720. Authorization forms are also available on-line at www.WSDOTMF.org (Donations tab) or from your payroll office.