

## 2016 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 over \$160,000 in financial assistance to WSDOT employees 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 financial aid to close to 90 individuals and families including, but not limited to, the families of fallen workers, employees struck by vehicles (in separate accidents), employees with medical-related issues, families in crisis, employees with house fires, end-of-life matter and employee emergency travel funds. In addition, the Foundation awarded educational grants for college to children of fallen WSDOT workers.

For the past year the Foundation has seen a continued growth in membership. In April, the Foundation helped to host the 2016 WSDOT Worker Memorial. For the first time this event was moved to the OB2 auditorium on the capitol campus to accommodate more participation by employees and families of fallen workers. In addition, the 2016 Worker Memorial incorporated an honor guard comprised of field workers from across the agency.

The Foundation is a non-profit charitable organization 501 (c) (3) supported entirely by voluntary donations – no state or federal funds are used. The Foundation is registered with the Internal Revenue Service, Secretary of State and Combined Fund Drive (#1480378).

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