

# Canadian Fallen Firefighters Foundation Announces Education Fund for Children of Fallen Firefighters

## Attention: News Editors

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Ottawa, Ontario – Beginning this fall, the Canadian Fallen Firefighters Foundation (CFFF) will begin to provide financial assistance for children of fallen firefighters who want to pursue higher education.

A new **Canadian Fallen Firefighters Foundation Education Program** will provide three qualified students with one-time bursaries of \$3,000.

“We hope this program will help families of the fallen who are unable to afford post-secondary education for their children,” said Captain Robert Kirkpatrick, President of the Foundation. “We want to pave the way forward for these children who have lost a parent, and help ease the financial burden of their families, many of whom have lost their primary income earner. It is also another way we can say thank you to the brave individuals who have paid the ultimate price in serving their communities.”

As part of the next step of its Education Program, the Foundation also plans to award a four-year scholarship in addition to bursaries for the academic year 2011-2012.

To be eligible for the 2010-2011 bursary **students must apply within the months of May and June 2010**. Applications received before or after these dates will not be considered. Information and applications will be available at <http://www.cfff.ca/en/programs/bursary/>

### **About the Fund**

The Education Fund is made possible through ongoing donations from the community and businesses.

“In particular, we would like to thank the Motorola Foundation of Illinois, which provided the seed funding without which this Fund would not have been possible,” said Captain Kirkpatrick. “We’re hoping to find some Canadian

businesses and individuals who can contribute additional dollars to the Fund so that we can help more children of fallen firefighters realize their dreams for the future.”

### **About the CFFF**

The Canadian Fallen Firefighters Foundation was established in 2003. Its mission is to HONOUR and REMEMBER fallen firefighters, and SUPPORT their families.

The CFFF, a registered, charitable organization, is comprised of members of the Canadian Fire Service and other interested citizens dedicated to honouring Canada’s fallen firefighters. The Foundation is all-inclusive. Thus volunteer, paid, industrial, military, urban, rural, wildland, Aboriginal, airport and marine firefighters and their families are all included.

### **About the Motorola Foundation**

Formed in 1953, the Motorola Foundation of Schaumburg, Illinois, focuses its funding on education, especially programs that support math and science teacher-training programs and charitable organizations that excite young people about these subjects.

Through its Foundation, Motorola nurtures relationships with local, national and international non-profit organizations — to extend resources to communities in need and to help expand the scope of their missions. It supports important causes in three ways through cash donations; product donations; and, by enabling employees to participate in volunteer and charitable-giving programs.

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