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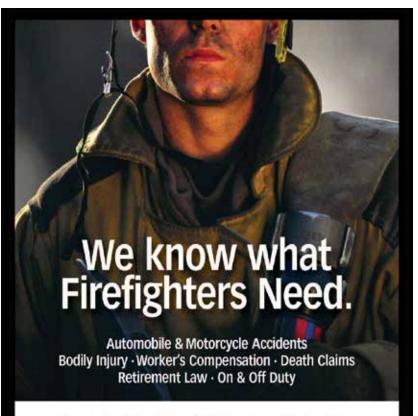


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A message from the desk of the president

Dear fire service colleagues,

Thank you for being a member of California State Firefighters' Association - the state's oldest nonprofit trade association working to advance the professionalism of the fire service in the Golden State. There are many reasons to join a professional association of your peers, and we hope you peruse the following pages and learn a little bit more about the many exclusive benefits and services CSFA provides.

Since being elected in 2014, I have worked very hard to branch CSFA out in many areas. As a result, we are constantly looking for new ideas and areas to expand into to better serve the membership. Many of the benefits you have now are the result of other members' ideas and years of development. If you have an idea, or a need, please pass it on. We have a diverse membership, and we need a diverse benefit portfolio.

Beyond the practical, educational, and money-saving benefits described within these pages, there is another, equally important reason that you may have joined CSFA. As a CSFA member you are part of a firefighting community that stretches from Oregon to beyond the Mexican border, and from the rugged high Sierra to the beaches of Southern California. Your CSFA membership provides the opportunity to network with others in the dynamic and diverse world of emergency services.

Please take advantage of all CSFA offers you, and check the CSFA website often throughout the year for important fire service updates and monthly updates to this list of membership benefits.

Sincerely and always available to you, Mike Shrout CSFA President



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Benefits and services described in this booklet were current at time of printing; but are subject to change. For more details on any benefit listed and any benefits added since this booklet was published please visit www.csfa.net or call (800) 451-2732.

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Free benefits included in your annual membership

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- Representation on standards-making/advisory boards and commissions CSFA members holds seats on a number of key boards and commissions including the EMS Commission, NFPA 1500, NFPA 2400, National Volunteer Fire Council, Statewide Training and Education Advisory Committee (STEAC), State Board of Fire Services, and National Volunteer Fire Council to name just a few.
- Death Benefit California State Firefighters' Employee Welfare Benefits Corp. (CSFEWBC) provides a \$10,000 AD&D benefit to active CSFA member firefighters up to age 70.
- CSFA trademarked helmet decal the stylized red and yellow fire helmet has been the symbol of California's firefighters since 1922. Display it proudly on your car, boat, motorcycle or RV.
- Recreation and entertainment discounts (see representative list on page 10).
- Print and online subscription to the award-winning The California Fire Service magazine brings you nationally-recognized fire service authors, information on the latest trends, tactics and news, as well as the hottest photos of California firefighters at work, six times a year.
- Discounted training CSFA sponsors regional career advancement seminars and offers a discount for members. Just provide your membership card and membership number at registration to receive these discounts.
- Referral to CSFA-endorsed attorneys CSFA-endorsed attorneys are available for consultation on issues related to workers' compensation, retirement, labor relations, and estate planning. This is a fee-based service. (For a list of attorneys and contact information see page 16 of this booklet).

Free digital services (visit www.csfa.net)

CSFA Connection weekly e-Newsletter

Find out what is going on in California and around the nation. The *CSFA Connection* is delivered weekly. It contains original commentary and column from CSFA's legislative advocate as well as links to new benefits,

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Fire Apparatus & Emergency Equipment Magazine is the only magazine writing exclusively for Fire Chiefs, Purchasing Committee Members, Trustees, Commissioners, Finance Committees and those whose job it is to buy Trucks, Tools, Turnout Gear and Firefighting Equipment. Log into www.csfa.net to take advantage of this CSFA member benefit







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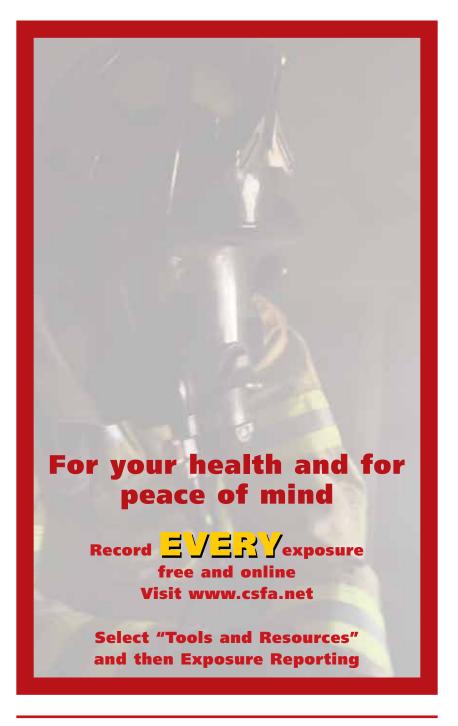
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Financial and retirement planning

CSFA credit card

The CSFA credit card offered through SF Fire Credit Union identifies you as a member of the California State Firefighters' Association. Each purchase made with the card helps support CSFA's programs for firefighters. No annual fee, no cash advance or balance transfer fee, and a low credit-union interest rate make this card the one you



need to have in your wallet. Choose from the standard image (shown here) or personalize your card with a family photo. To apply visit www.csfa.net or call (888) 499-FIRE (3473).

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A scholarship application can be downloaded from the CSFA website starting November 1 of each year. The deadline for submission of applications is March 1.

Applicants must be children or grandchildren of CSFA members in good standing.

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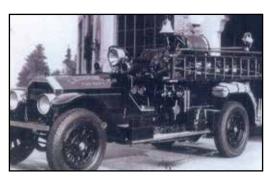
CSFA Standing Committees

CSFA maintains a number of specialized committees designed to support the work of the CSFA Board of Directors and help set policies for the association. Check a copy of *The California Fire Service* Magazine or www.csfa.net for the latest contact information.

CSFA Historical Society

Interested in the history of the fire service and CSFA? The CSFA Historical Society is dedicated to fire prevention education, preserving the history of California State Firefighters' Association and the promotion of goodwill for the entire fire service. To become involved with the CSFA

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Thank you!

To the following businesses that show their support of CSFA through their Business class membership.



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