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## MCFR KICKS OFF THE "FILL THE BOOT" CAMPAIGN

Immediate Release

- WHO:** Marion County Fire Rescue (MCFR) firefighters in cooperation with Local 3169
- WHAT:** Annual "Fill the Boot" campaign to benefit the Muscular Dystrophy Association (MDA)
- WHEN:** August 20-22, 27-29 and September 3-5 (Times and dates are subject to change due to 9-1-1 call volume, other fire rescue work priorities and weather.)
- WHERE:**
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| Anthony Station 1  | NE Jacksonville Road Area   |
| Citra Station 2  | Citra CR 318 & US 301       |
| East Marion Station 4  | CR 314A & SR 40             |
| South Forest Station 6   | CR 42 & US 441              |
| Ft. McCoy Station 7 and Salt Springs Station 15                | 315 & 316                   |
| Orange Lake Station 9 and North Marion Station 11              | CR 318 & US 441             |
| The Villages of Marion Station 10 and Weirsdale Station 27     | CR 42 & US 441              |
| Meadowood Farms Station 12                                     | Hwy 40 & 80th Avenue        |
| Shady Station 16   | CR 475 & SW 80 Avenue       |
| Silver Springs Shores Station 17 and Rolling Greens Station 28 | SE 58th Ave & Maricamp Road |
| Bellevue Station 18 and Summerfield Station 30                 | CR 484 & US 441             |
| Sparr Station 19   | 329 & NE Jacksonville Road  |
| Golden Ocala Station 20  | US 27 & NW 70 Avenue        |
| Friendship Station 21  | Wal-Mart on SR 200          |
| Rainbow Springs Station 22                                     | SR 40 & US 41               |
| Marion Oaks Station 24   | Marion Oaks Boulevard Area  |
| Liberty Station 32   | Hwy 200 and 60th Avenue     |

**WHY:** MCFR firefighters will once again hit the street corners of Marion County and fill their boots with donations from generous drivers. The "Fill the Boot" campaign kicks off on August 20 and will continue through early September.

All of the proceeds go to the MDA, a non-profit organization dedicated to conquering neuromuscular diseases that affect more than a million Americans. The MDA combats these diseases through research, comprehensive medical and community services as well as far reaching professional and public health education.

For more than 50 years, fire rescue agencies across the country have participated in "Fill the Boot" campaigns to support the MDA.

MCFR raised \$36,400 in 2008, \$30,000 in 2007 and \$35,000 in 2006. In 2005, firefighters raised \$16,250, and in 2004, they raised \$6,000 despite Hurricanes Frances and Jeanne that canceled boot drives across Florida. Firefighters are aiming to surpass their past achievements and increase their five-year total of \$123,650 substantially.

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