



NATIONAL FALLEN FIREFIGHTERS FOUNDATION

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National Fallen Firefighters Foundation Announces Anne Marie Judge as Chief Advancement Officer

Anne Marie Judge Becomes Foundation's First Chief Advancement Officer

Emmitsburg, MD – July 21, 2025 – The National Fallen Firefighters Foundation (NFFF) is honored to welcome Anne Marie Judge as its new Chief Advancement Officer. With decades of experience in fundraising, major gift strategy, campaign development, and donor engagement, Anne Marie brings both professional expertise and a heartfelt commitment to advancing the Foundation's mission.

As the wife of a 32-year veteran of the Troy, NY Fire Department and a 9/11 first responder, Anne Marie's connection to the fire service runs deep. Her personal and professional journeys converge in this role, bringing added meaning to her leadership and dedication to supporting the families and communities we serve.

With a career that has spanned advancement leadership roles in higher education, the arts, and international institutions, Judge has led transformative campaigns, rebuilt advancement operations from the ground up, and cultivated lifelong philanthropic partnerships. She brings a donor-centric, mission-driven style of leadership to NFFF at a pivotal moment of opportunity.

"I am thrilled to welcome Anne Marie Judge as our first Chief Advancement Officer," stated Victor Stagnaro, Chief Executive Officer of the NFFF. "Anne Marie's extensive fundraising experience and significant leadership skills combined with her passion for the fire service will help the NFFF's development team grow to the next level." Stagnaro added, "This appointment signals the beginning of a new chapter for the NFFF as we work to expand our fundraising efforts to meet the increasing needs of our mission to honor fallen firefighters and support their families."

"I'm very excited to join the NFFF as its first Chief Advancement Officer," said Anne Marie Judge. "On a personal note," Judge continued, "on September 11, 2001, my husband was among the many firefighters who responded. He survived but we lost dear friends, and our local community was forever changed. I'm ready to bring my professional experience and personal

passion to the NFFF to expand philanthropic capacity and help Fire Hero Families throughout the nation.”

Prior to joining the NFFF, Anne Marie held several senior fundraising positions and built and revitalized advancement offices for a variety of organizations, including the American University in Rome, Franklin University Switzerland, Albany Law Schools, and the Albany Symphony, delivering record-setting results and driving long term growth.

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About the National Fallen Firefighters Foundation (NFFF)

The National Fallen Firefighters Foundation (NFFF) was established by the United States Congress in 1992 to lead a national effort in honoring America’s fallen firefighters. Since then, the Foundation has created powerful programs that pay lasting tribute to those who have made the ultimate sacrifice while providing meaningful support to their families and colleagues. Through its close partnership with the fire service and its affiliate, the First Responder Center for Excellence (FRCE), the NFFF is also deeply committed to reducing firefighter line-of-duty deaths and injuries. To learn how you can support this important mission, visit www.firehero.org.

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