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We are pleased to announce that the Winchester Professional Firefighters and Paramedics Association along with the Winchester Fire and Rescue Department will join forces again this year to raise money to help find a cure for Muscular Dystrophy diseases. Since 1953, Labor Day weekend has been the time when firefighters participate in the MDA "Fill the Boot" Drive.

Once again, we will do our part to help with this very worthy cause. This weekend, all firefighters are encouraged to help with this event, but nobody will be required to participate.

This year, as in the past, the collection site will be set up at the intersection of East Jubal Early Drive and South Pleasant Valley Road. The equipment staging area will be in the Best Buy parking lot. Please try to keep the vehicles as close to the north end of the parking lot as possible, trying not to interfere with their customers. Be extremely cautious, this will be the first time that we have had vehicles in the parking lot to deal with.

On-duty personnel will be required to wear your regular work uniform. If you are helping while off-duty, you may dress as you like, just make sure everything is in good taste; we still want to look and act professional.

- Traffic vests or A.N.S.I. approved tee shirts must be worn while on the street collecting.
- Pay close attention to the traffic lights and be sure to get on the curb or median when the light turns green. Watch each other's backs.

- If it is not safe for you to obtain the contribution from a donor, wave them on, it's not worth risking your safety for a dollar.

This event will begin with a picnic at Friendship Park on Friday, September 2, 2011, beginning at 1730 hours. Collection times will be Saturday, September 3, 2011, through Monday September 5, 2011, from 1000 hours to 1700 hours.

Lunch and beverages will be provided to participants all three days.

Let's go out and collect a lot of money for a good cause. Just remember to have fun but be careful.