

2021 Annual Report

Mission Statement: We, the Washington State Department of Transportation Memorial Foundation, are entrusted to preserve the memory of Washington State Department of Transportation fallen workers and to provide assistance to active and retired Washington State Department of Transportation employees and their families in times of need.

Since 2010, the Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT) Memorial Foundation has provided nearly \$382,000.00 in financial assistance to WSDOT employees and their families. While much of the assistance provided by the Foundation is confidential in nature, the Foundation can disclose its involvement in the following activities:

Provided financial aid to 225 individuals and families, including the families of fallen workers, employees struck by vehicles, employees with medical-related issues, families in crisis, employees with house fires, and those with end-of- life matters.

Like many organizations, the pandemic continues to have a severe impact on the Foundation activities such as fund-raising, membership and merchandise sales. In April, the Foundation was prepared to co-host the 2021 WSDOT Worker Memorial event in Olympia. Unfortunately, the event had to be canceled.

The Board of Directors began planning in 2021 for potential online activities in 2022 to replace in-person events. Planning was begun for an online auction and expanding membership to include associate members from the private sector. In addition, custom logo wear and other merchandise sales were a Foundation focus in 2021. Also, current Foundation members continue to be encouraged to recruit new members among their coworkers.

The Annual Memorial Foundation Meeting was held on December 8, 2021.

The Foundation is a non-profit charitable organization 501 (c) (3) supported entirely by voluntary donations – no state or federal funds are used.

The Foundation is registered with the Internal Revenue Service, Secretary of State and Combined Fund Drive (#1480378).

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WSDOT Memorial Foundation