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2016 GRAND RAPIDS FIREFIGHTER OF THE YEAR

The Grand Rapids Fire Department is very pleased to announce that Firefighter Steve MacBride has been selected as the Grand Rapids Firefighter of the Year. The selection was made by a panel of his peers and by the American Legion Furniture City Post #258.

Steve began his career with the Grand Rapids Fire Department in 2003. Previously, Steve was a vital component with AMR – West Michigan as a Paramedic and Supervisor. He is assigned to Rescue Company 5 at the Monroe Enginehouse, where his duties include fire and emergency medical response, fire prevention and community interaction. Steve is an active member of the Fire Department's Emergency Medical Instructional and CPR Instructor staff. He assists with determining and developing curriculum, training instructors, and delivering that training to all City firefighters.

Steve has been awarded four GRFD Medical Service awards, been a part of teams receiving three Unit Citation Awards, and has also been awarded the Medal of Merit. He was been a part of the team providing care that has resulted in the successful resuscitation of at least three patients over the course of his career.

Many in the community will recognize Steve. He has provided CPR training to many groups, organizations and companies in the community for several years. He teaches safe response to violent situations courses. He is an adjunct instructor at Great Lakes EMS Academy. Steve is a State of Michigan licensed Paramedic and EMS

Instructor Coordinator. He holds an Associate's Degree in EMS Management from Davenport University.

Steve is married, and the father of two, and see to be grandfather. His calm, compassionate demeanor is appreciated and respected in the enginehouse, by his family and in the community.

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