

Gerald J. Molito Award for Professional Excellence

The Boston Fire Department wishes to recognize Firefighter Daniel J. Ranahan for his work in establishing the Boston Firefighter and Family Cancer Foundation. This organization provides support to Boston Firefighters with occupational cancer.

In the Fall of 2020, Firefighter Ranahan was diagnosed with Hodgkins Lymphoma. The support he received from members of the Boston Fire Department inspired him to create the foundation to provide the same support to the increasing number of firefighters with a cancer diagnosis.

The Boston Firefighter and Family Cancer Foundation provides help to firefighters and their families in a number of ways including financial assistance, transportation, and meal deliveries. Most importantly however, is the personal and compassionate support provided by peers and mentors to help members navigate the uncertainties of a cancer diagnosis and treatment. The foundation raises awareness and money through many fundraisers and sponsorships. The driving force behind it all is the tireless dedication of Firefighter Ranahan.

Firefighter Ranahan's selfless consideration of the needs of fellow firefighters, all while still receiving his own treatment, reflects highly on himself and on the Boston Fire Department.



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