

**Dehydration Relief for Firefighters:** The NVFC welcomes new Advocate Member [DripDrop ORS](#) (oral rehydration solution), producer of electrolyte powder sticks that provide dehydration relief fast. DripDrop ORS and the NVFC have partnered to provide dehydration relief to volunteer firefighters. Volunteer firefighters [can request](#) two 80-count multi-flavor packages of DripDrop ORS to use in their department during wildfire response, long incidents, or other strenuous work. An article, suggested social media posts, and social media images are attached.

**New PSA Available:** As part of our partnership with Anheuser-Busch and Praytell Agency, we have released another new video PSA to let the public know of the challenges fire departments are facing due to COVID-19 and the need for more people to step up and volunteer. A [60-second](#) and [30-second](#) version are available. You can download these to use in your own recruitment efforts [here](#). Feel free to share this link and/or the PSAs with local departments to use in their recruitment initiatives.

**Free Virtual Leadership Symposium:** The NVFC is hosting a free afternoon of online leadership training, thanks to support from the Motorola Solutions Foundation. The [NVFC Virtual Leadership Symposium](#) takes place August 14 from 1:00 – 5:30 pm ET and features two courses: Leadership for the Fire and Emergency Services and Volunteer Fire Service Culture: Essential Strategies for Success. An article and suggested social media posts are attached.

**New NVFC Virtual Classroom:** The NVFC is pleased to announce the launch of our new [Virtual Classroom](#), featuring a more user-friendly format and updated content, design, and navigation. All courses are free for NVFC members. An article and suggested social media posts are attached.

**Upcoming Webinars:** The NVFC is hosting a free webinar on [Fundraising Strategies for Fire and EMS Departments](#), taking place August 27 at 2pm ET. David Denniston of McNeil & Co. will discuss how to achieve success with department fundraising efforts, especially in these unusual times. In addition, the NVFC and the IAFC-VCOS are also hosting a webinar on August 11 at 2pm on [Surviving the Job – Cancer from a Survivor’s Perspective](#). Suggested social media posts are attached.

**CHEMTREC HELP Award:** The deadline for the [CHEMTREC HELP \(Hazmat Emergencies Local Preparedness\) Award](#) is September 1. Through this program, two volunteer fire departments that are [NVFC members](#) will be awarded \$10,000 to help enhance their response capabilities and increase local readiness to respond to and prepare for hazardous materials incidents. Suggested social media posts are attached.

**CSU Scholarships:** The application period for the NVFC [scholarships](#) to Columbia Southern University closes on August 31. Two [NVFC members](#) will each receive a scholarship covering up to 60 credit hours towards one online degree program. Suggested social media posts are attached.