



***FIGHTING FOR OUR
FIRST RESPONDERS***

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PUTTING FIRST RESPONDERS FIRST!

Keith Brown recognizes the hard work and commitment our first responders dedicate to the betterment of our community. Keith has worked tirelessly to advocate for our police, fire and EMS and make sure they have the resources they need to get the job done. As your Assemblyman from the 12th Assembly District, Keith fights to make sure first responders receive the benefits and recognition they deserve.



KEITH IS CONTINUING THE FIGHT BY SUPPORTING LEGISLATION TO:

- Require the payment of certain volunteer firefighter and volunteer ambulance worker death benefits within 90 days of the filing of an application to receive such death benefits. (A.602)
- Create Volunteer Firefighter Scholarship Program to provide volunteer firefighters who respond to 25% of emergency calls for eight years while remaining a resident of New York State with a student loan award up to four times the SUNY tuition rate and make an annual appropriation to fund the program. (A.4272)
- Enact a Volunteer Firefighter and EMS Worker Wage Tax Credit to give volunteer firefighters a tax credit of \$1,500 as a recruitment and retention tool for employers to hire such individuals. (A.3681)
- Provide benefits to volunteer firefighters and ambulance workers; increase the personal income tax deduction after four or more years of service; exempt motor vehicles used in the performance of such volunteers' duties from registration fees, use taxes and special fees for volunteer license plates; authorize the provision of municipal health insurance coverage to such volunteers; and establish a volunteer recruitment service loan forgiveness program. (A.5793)
- Allow first responders diagnosed with post-traumatic stress disorder to request line-of-duty sick leave to take care of their mental health. (A.4646)

KEITH ALSO SUPPORTS FUNDING PROGRAMS FOR FIRE DEPARTMENTS SUCH AS:

- **New York State Emergency Services Revolving Loan Program**
- **Assistance to Firefighter Grants (AFG)**
- **Staffing for Adequate Fire & Emergency Response (SAFER) Grants**
- **Fire Prevention & Safety Grant Program**

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