



Supporting Those Who Serve

NVFC All-State Membership; Working Together to Grow the Voice

Frequently Asked Questions

What is the All-State Membership?

The NVFC's All-State Membership opportunity allows NVFC's State Association members to provide NVFC membership to their members at a greatly discounted rate to its own membership. The cost of the All-State membership is \$15.00 per member. State associations can choose two options: Option 1 is to have the roster and checks sent back to the eligible State Associations and the NVFC will offer \$1 per member (those with a minimum of 250 All-State members) to help cover administrative costs associated with offering this membership opportunity. Option 2 is to have the roster and checks sent directly to the NVFC which eliminates any staff time for the state association.

How does my State Association offer this to our members?

Typically the State Association will include this NVFC membership opportunity in their own dues renewal process. Many Associations choose to include a separate option on their dues invoices for the NVFC membership opportunity, simply collecting the additional fee with their own dues. This fee (minus the \$1/member allocated to the State Association) is forwarded to the NVFC along with a roster of members. NVFC staff will work closely with you in determining the best way to make this opportunity available to your members.

Why should my State Association participate?

There are many reasons why your State Association should participate in the NVFC's All-State Membership. In doing so, your Association is able to offer the NVFC membership, along with all of its great benefits, to your members at **50% off** the normal individual membership price. Through the All-State membership, your State Association is able to increase membership value for its members and provide a number of additional benefits including a \$10,000 AD&D double indemnity policy all at a drastically discounted rate. By growing the voice on a national level, we are able to affect change in regard to legislative issues such as funding, training and resources. In addition, your Association may be eligible to receive \$1 per member to help offset fees associated with offering this unique membership opportunity in your state.

What benefits will our members receive by becoming an NVFC All- State Member?

Your State Association members will receive the following benefits when they become an NVFC All-State member through your Association:

- A subscription to the NVFC weekly electronic newsletter, *Dispatch*

- \$10,000 AD&D insurance policy through Provident Agency: *This policy covers each NVFC individual member for \$10,000 in the event of an accidental death and an additional \$10,000 if death occurs while acting on behalf of the organization in an emergency service capacity.*
- Eligibility for membership in the FASNY (Firemen's Association of the State of New York) Federal Credit Union which offers online banking, mortgages, auto loans and more all at competitive rates
- Personalized membership card
- Training webinars such as Grant Writing and Recruitment & Retention
- Access to the NVFC email updates, which include NVFC, Fire Corps, National Junior Firefighter Program and Legislative Action Alerts
- Discounts on NVFC publications and materials
- Discounts on tickets, restaurants, clothing, and more through *Working Advantage*
- Members-only access to the NVFC web site
- Discounts on background checks for your fire department members through Intellicorp
- Waived application fee and 10% tuition discount through Columbia Southern University
- Access the Member Assistance Program through Treatment Solutions, which provides a toll-free confidential phone to provide immediate assistance with issues such as substance abuse, stress, relationship problems, work-related concerns, and nearly any issue that is disrupting a member's work life and overall balance.
- Auto and home insurance through California Casualty.

Which states already offer the All-State Membership?

Several states currently offer the NVFC's All State Membership to their members. Participating states include Texas, North Carolina, New York, Georgia, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Illinois and Massachusetts among others.

How do we market that this is available?

The NVFC has developed an area on our website with all the marketing materials you need. They include advertisements for your newsletter, website, Facebook page or any of your outreach vehicles. It is important to advertise early to maximize exposure about our groups working together. A draft joint letter and roster sheet are also available that can be included in your membership dues mailing to show our collaborative efforts.

How do we get started?

Contact Heather Schafer, Executive Director, at 202-887-5700 or hschafer@nvfc.org to learn how to offer this great membership opportunity to your State Association members. The NVFC will provide you with marketing materials you can use to announce this opportunity to your members, sample invoices, and a roster for submitting new members from your state.