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MTFD Firefighters Climb Comerica Park to Support Lung Cancer Research

Macomb Township, Mich. – Five of Macomb Township’s firefighters will be participating in a significant annual fundraiser for the American Lung Association to support those with lung disease and lung cancer. The event, set for May 19, 2024, at Detroit’s Comerica Park, involves a challenging climb of the stadium’s upper deck which the Macomb Township Fire Department’s team will complete in full turnout gear.

The American Lung Association, the leading nonprofit organization dedication to improving lung health and preventing lung disease, has held the annual Fight for Air Climb for the last 18 years.

This year, the team consisting of Firefighters Mike Risk, Shawn Diamond, Andy Saucedo, George Marshall and Sergeant Dave McGee will represent the department. For several years, the Macomb Township Fire Department has supported this cause, as it’s a topic near and dear to the hearts of our firefighters. “One of the purposes of the climb is to draw attention to lung cancer, which is the leading cause of deaths in firefighters,” said MTFD Sgt. Dave McGee.

Each participant will tackle the stair-climb challenge aiming to raise significant funds for lung cancer research and promote awareness about lung health. Macomb Township is not only thrilled to have these firefighters representing our community in the Fight for Air Climb, but we are also amazed at their considerable effort and dedication to helping others on and off duty.

“I’m extremely proud of them for spending their free time helping to raise funds for those that are in need,” said Macomb Township Fire Chief Bob Phillips.

Our MTFD firefighters have raised nearly \$300 in donations with one week to go before the climb. Interested members of the public can find out more information about the climb itself at www.action.lung.org. Keep track of the MTFD team’s progress at [Fight For Air Climb - Detroit: MTFD local 5023 - American Lung Association](#).

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