

Members of Kirkland Professional Firefighters IAFF Local 2545,

Your Leadership is dedicated in helping our members with the early detection of cancer and cardiovascular disease. Early detection has had a tremendous impact on helping prevent and reverse potential future catastrophic events.

Departments in our region have seen incredible results from providing first responders cancer and cardiovascular screening programs for the past two years. Individuals who never knew that they were living with a terminal condition were identified and saved. One company conducting these essential services for fire fighters is <u>United</u> <u>Diagnostic Services, LLC</u>. We are proud to announce that Local 2545 is now working with United Diagnostic Service to provide this special screening to you at an affordable price.

The screening is all ultrasound-based and therefore painless and non-invasive. Your ultrasound screening includes Echocardiogram, Carotid, Abdominal Aorta, Thyroid, Liver, Spleen, Kidney, Bladder, and Testicular for males, and Exterior Pelvic scan for females.

Recent data provided to Local 2545 where UDS conducted this type of screening in Alaska, Connecticut, Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maryland, Massachusetts, Pennsylvania, New Hampshire, New York, North Carolina, Rhode Island, Virginia, West Virginia, Washington, DC, and Washington State identified many unknown health conditions. With that critical information, it provided those members an opportunity to seek medical care and intervention.

Usually, the costs of this special type of screening could cost between \$1500-\$2000. However, your E board was able to negotiate a special group rate of \$300 per member. This will be an out of packet expense.

We plan for the week from October $23^{rd} - 27^{th}$, 2023, with screenings scheduled from 7 am -3 pm with 30 min allocated for each screening.

Please take the time to watch the following success testimonies about pre-symptomatic or early-stage screening.

Please see below **YouTube links from a few individuals previously screened** through this program.

Jack Kamps - <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=z41VvHh-9 E</u> Don Crum - <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ECrxzZ5N8F0</u> Allen Ballenger - <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GCrOCt71Exk</u> Division Chief Matthew Embrey - <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ObCXM3xviL0</u>