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### **International Association of Fire Chiefs Foundation Receives Motorola Solutions Foundation Public Safety Grant**

*Grant to support safety education and training programs*

Fairfax, VA – January 19, 2012 – The International Association of Fire Chiefs Foundation (IAFC Foundation), promoting higher education and research in the fire services, today announced it has received a \$50,000 grant as part of the [Motorola Solutions Foundation's](#) Public Safety and Security Institute. The Motorola Solutions Foundation is the charitable arm of Motorola Solutions, Inc. Through the grant, the IAFC Foundation will expand two of its existing scholarship programs.

The Motorola Solutions Foundation's Public Safety Grants aim to support safety education and training programs for first responders, their families and the general public in the United States and Canada.

"The IAFC Foundation is honored to be awarded a Motorola Solutions Foundation grant in the amount of \$50,000. This grant will allow us to continue to give back to the fire service and our local communities by financially supporting future fire service leaders and ensuring that fire and emergency services personnel have the tools they need to successfully serve and protect our communities. The IAFC Foundation scholarship awards are important now more than ever as many departments have been forced to cut continuing education and tuition reimbursements from their operating budget," said Anthony P. Campisi, President of the IAFC Foundation and President/CEO of the Glatfelter Insurance Group.

This generous donation from the Motorola Solutions Foundation will allow the IAFC Foundation to expand its Future Leaders and the Company Officer Leadership Symposium scholarship awards. The Company Officer Leadership Symposium program is designed to help company officers at various levels in their career to excel in their current position while getting the leadership training needed to advance. Three individuals will be awarded scholarships to attend all three years of the Company Officer Leadership Symposium.

The IAFC Foundation's Future Leaders Scholarship advances the fire service by helping first responders ensure they are well prepared to face the challenges of today's increasingly complex world by helping them advance their fire service education. Six annual scholarships, each in the amount of \$2,000, will be awarded over the next three years for the Future Leaders formal educational pursuits.

“Aligning with Motorola Solutions’ purpose to help people be their best in the moments that matter, the Motorola Solutions Foundation is honored to support first responders and their families through program funding that bolster safety and education,” said Matt Blakely, director of the Motorola Solutions Foundation. “Through the Public Safety Grants, we partner with programs like the IAFC Foundation to ensure first responders have access to the necessary tools and resources they need to succeed.”

Through the Public Safety and Security Institute, the Motorola Solutions Foundation serves as an investor, convener and global activator on issues that affect the safety of communities and security of countries worldwide, providing leadership in the sector to drive innovation and grow and engage the network of those interested in these issues.

In 2010, the Motorola Solutions Foundation donated \$3.2 million to public safety organizations. In 2011, the company donated \$4.5 million.

#### **About International Association of Fire Chiefs Foundation**

The IAFC Foundation was chartered as a non-profit organization in the District of Columbia in 1974 and was originally organized by the International Association of Fire Chiefs; it is now a separate 501(c)(3) organization. The IAFC Foundation provides scholarships that make it possible for fire and EMS first responders to access the advanced learning opportunities they need in order to be prepared for the increasing complex realities of the world today. The scholarship awards made by the IAFC Foundation impact the fire service and communities by providing first responders with the educational opportunities they need to lead the fire service and serve and protect our citizens. For more information on the IAFCF and Foundation giving, visit [www.iafcf.org](http://www.iafcf.org).

#### **About Motorola Solutions Foundation**

The Motorola Solutions Foundation is the charitable and philanthropic arm of Motorola Solutions. With employees located around the globe, Motorola Solutions seeks to benefit the communities where it operates. The company achieves this by making strategic grants, forging strong community partnerships and fostering innovation. The Motorola Solutions Foundation focuses its funding on public safety, disaster relief, employee programs and education, especially science, technology, engineering and math programming. For more information on Motorola Solutions Corporate and Foundation giving, visit [www.motorolasolutions.com/giving](http://www.motorolasolutions.com/giving).

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