



media release

SA firefighters Shake the Boot for burns survivors

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This Friday night, droves of professional firefighters armed with fire fighting boots will march across Adelaide for their biggest fundraising event of the year; **'Shake the Boot'**.

'Shake the Boot' is an annual, state-wide fundraising event held by the Australian Professional Firefighters Foundation (APFF) to raise money to assist burns survivors.

During **'Shake the Boot'**, Metropolitan Fire Service (MFS), Adelaide Airport and other professional firefighters are joined by generous volunteers in shaking a fire fighting boot to collect donations at Adelaide hotels and clubs.

All funds raised through **'Shake the Boot'** in Adelaide will support the Women's and Children's Hospital's Burns Service and directly benefit burns survivors. Several of the hospital's nurses will also be participating in shaking the boot.

APFF President and MFS District Officer, Greg Crossman said South Australians have always given generously to **'Shake the Boot'**.

"Last year, Adelaide residents helped the APFF raise \$50,000 to assist the Women's and Children's Hospital's Burns Service. We're looking forward to another wonderful show of support this year."

"We're urging Adelaide residents to dig deep when they spot our **charity direct** volunteer collectors across Adelaide on Friday night. Every dollar raised will go directly towards the hospital's Burns Service," Mr Crossman said.

In 2010, **'Shake the Boot'** will span the far reaches of the state, with collectors in regional areas raising funds for hospitals, schools, charities and worthy causes in their country communities. A boot will even be shaken at a remote SANTOS facility in the Cooper Basin where professional firefighters (employed by SANTOS) are stationed!

The APFF is a not-for-profit, **charity direct** charity comprising Metropolitan Fire Service (MFS), Adelaide Airport and other professional firefighters from across South Australia who volunteer their time to fundraise for and assist their community, including **'Shake the Boot'**.

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