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## Firefighters with Flowers for a Cure

Templeton Fire Department Firefighters will sell flowers for Valentine's Day to raise money to find a cure for leukemia and lymphoma. From Saturday, February 10, through 6 p.m. on Valentine's Day – Wednesday, February 14 – Firefighters with Flowers for a Cure will have a booth in downtown Templeton selling a variety of flowers, including roses.

From February 10 – 13, flowers sales will take place at the Templeton Fire Station, located 206 5<sup>th</sup> Street, across from Templeton Park. **On Valentine's Day**, the flower booth will be located at the Legion Hall at 805 South Main St. Both locations will sell flowers from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. each day. Last year, all the flowers were sold by 4 p.m. on Valentine's Day, so make sure to stop by early.

“Come down to the fire station and buy roses or bouquets for your spouse, your parents, your friends or yourself,” said Brandon Wall, Fire Captain with Templeton Fire and Emergency Services and the Team Templeton Stairclimb Captain. “Everyone loves to get flowers, especially at Valentine's Day. And you'll also be helping people who are in the fight of their lives against cancer. Leukemia and lymphoma, as well as other types of cancer, have impacted every family in some way. Flowers bring hope and show love, so it makes sense to raise money for cancer patients by selling flowers, said Wall.”

This is the second year that the Templeton firefighters have sold flowers to raise money to support the Scott Firefighter Stairclimb held on March 11 in Seattle, WA. The stairclimb attracts firefighters from around the world who pledge donations and walk up 69 flights of stairs in full fire-protective equipment to honor loved ones, friends and strangers with leukemia, lymphoma and other cancers. The flower sales will benefit the donation of the Templeton Stairclimb team, which includes Engineer Phillip Goldbloom, Firefighter Haustin Morrison, Chief Bill White and Captain Brandon Wall. The individual firefighters are also raising money. Last year, the team climbed in honor of Mike Erb, a longtime Captain with Templeton Fire and Emergency Services who passed away from kidney cancer. This year, the team is climbing in honor of Celeste English, who passed away recently from breast cancer.

Flowers for sale will include roses of various colors, carnations and mixed spring bouquets. Prices range from \$25 to \$50. Custom arrangements are available for a higher price. Vases will be available. Students will get \$5 off their purchase with a valid student ID card.

For more information on this press release, please feel free to contact Fire Captain Brandon Wall at (805) 540-4524.