EAST WINDSOR TOWNSHIP

Entry Level Firefighter

GENERAL DESCRIPTION:

Under the direction of the Fire Officer, during an assigned tour of duty, protects citizens during emergencies, executes rescues, mitigates chemical spills, responds to alarms, responds to medical emergencies, and assists in extinguishing fires. Performs the necessary tasks to clean, sanitize and maintain fire headquarters, fire equipment, apparatus, building and grounds.

SALARY:

FIREFIGHTER: $52,000

FIREFIGHTER/EMT: $57,000

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:

- Perform activities normally associated with firefighting such as deploying hose, climbing ladders, operating nozzles, performing ventilation, and salvage and overhaul activities
- Drive or accompany the assigned driver in response to an alarm; operates and uses other equipment as required
- Ventilate buildings to relieve smoke, heat and gases
- Perform rescue operations such as searching for victims, identifying search areas and guiding or carrying victims
- Respond to motor vehicle crashes and other incidents requiring extrication from entrapment
- Aid victims at scene of emergency by administering emergency medical treatment such as first aid, CPR, or EMT treatment
- Inspect fire hydrants, apparatus, etc.; notify Supervisor of necessary repairs
- Maintain fire station during assigned shifts
- Assist in cleaning and maintaining fire headquarters, equipment and apparatus
- Provide information by completing reports as necessary

- Maintain technical knowledge by attending education workshops and studying publications; participate in training courses, programs and scheduled drills

- Performs special duties at schools, and other public gatherings to help maintain proper fire precautionary measures and public education

- Maintain operations by following policies and procedures; submit suggestions for needed changes

KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS, & ABILITIES:

- Ability to walk/stand for extended periods of time, with heavy weighted equipment, during inclement weather

- Ability to work in a collegial setting; must be punctual, reliable, professional and cooperative

- Ability to effectively read, write, and communicate in English; multi-lingual a plus

- Ability to engage and to serve public patrons, including adults and children

- Ability to maintain quality, safety, and/or infection control standards

- Employee may be ordered to work overtime, beyond their normal shift

QUALIFICATIONS/CRITERIA

Education, Experience, License

- Must be a United States Citizen

- Must have High School Diploma or Graduate Equivalency Degree (GED)

- Must possess a valid New Jersey Driver's License

- Must be at least 18 years old and cannot be one day past their 35th birthday at the time of appointment

- Must minimally possess a NJ Division of Fire Safety Firefighter 1 Certification

- Must possess NJ Division of Fire Safety Hazardous Materials Awareness and Operations

- Good health, sufficient to satisfy the New Jersey Police and Fire Retirement System (PFRS) Board of Trustees; required for eligibility of membership

Candidates must successfully complete and pass an interview, comprehensive physical ability test, medical examination, psychological evaluation, background investigation and a one-year probationary period in the position.