

Overview of the Program

Our Work Experience Program has been developed to assist aspiring firefighters gain the training and experience needed to secure a job in a very competitive field. Participants will earn on-the-job experience that recruiters look for when hiring career firefighters.

Program Details

- Six month program (May October)
- Commitment of four days "on call" per week
- Training is provided 2-3 days a week
 - (up to 5 or 6 days for accredited courses)
- Participants will be given duties in keeping with the responsibilities of a rookie firefighter in a career hall
- Participants may take on part time or full time employment while participating in the program

Training Provided

- NFPA 1002 Standard for Fire Apparatus Driver/Operator Professional Qualifications
- Red Cross Emergency Medical Responder
- Emergency Scene Traffic Control (BCMSA)
- Company Inspections (JIBC)
- Live Fire Training
- Wildland Fire Operations and Safety for the Structural Fire Fighter (WSPP-WFF-1)
- Weekly fire department training covering all aspects of firefighter development



Required Qualifications:

- NFPA 1001 with IFSAC or PROBOARD accreditation
- Completion of Medical Examination (Form attached to application)
- High School Diploma or equivalent
- Police Information Check
- Drivers license with air brake endorsement and a driving record that demonstrates safe and responsible driving with 6 or fewer demerits.

Preferred Qualifications

- Prior volunteer firefighter experience
- First aid experience and/or certifications
- Post secondary education
- Trades experience and/or certifications

Competitive Advantage

In addition to the experience gained through the performance of regular duties, Work Experience Program participants are able to take advantage of several other opportunities to develop a competitive edge in the job market. Some of these opportunities include:

- In-house interview practice
- Participation on the Health and Safety Committee
- Experience living and working with other firefighters in a fire hall environment
- Regular interaction with former Sun Peaks Firefighters who are now working for career fire departments



Accommodations

Accommodation is provided as part of this program.

Recruitment process timeline:

- 1. Contest Opens:
 - January 10th
- 2. Application and resume submission:
 - Application Close Date: February 28
- 3. Application and Resume Review:
 - Early March
- 4. Panel interview/Skype interview:
 - Mid March
- 5. Work Experience Program Offers:
 - Before April 1
- 6. Work Experience Program start date: May 1

Interested candidates may apply by sending a resume and application to:

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