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FIREFIGHTER/EMT JOB ANNOUNCEMENT

The East Hanover Fire Department (EHFD) is seeking motivated, dedicated, and community-oriented individuals to join our team as a Paid Firefighter/EMT. This position offers an exciting, challenging and demanding career in fire suppression, emergency medical services (EMS), and public safety. Our Firefighters/EMTs are integral members of our department and serve the community with the highest levels of professionalism and care.

Key Responsibilities:

- Respond to emergency calls, including fire suppression, medical emergencies, vehicle accidents, hazardous materials incidents, and other emergency situations.
- Perform firefighting duties, including interior and exterior fire attack, search and rescue.
- Provide Basic Life Support (BLS) and emergency medical care to injured or ill patients as an EMT.
- Participate in training drills, in-service instruction, and ongoing education to maintain current certifications and skills.
- Operate and maintain firefighting apparatus, equipment, and tools in a state of readiness.
- Conduct fire prevention activities, including public education programs, fire & safety inspections, and community outreach.
- Assist in station and vehicle maintenance, including housekeeping and light repairs.

Minimum Qualifications Required at the Time of Appointment for Firefighter/EMT:

- **Firefighter 1 Certification** issued by the New Jersey Division of Fire Safety
- **Valid Emergency Medical Technician certification** issued by NJOEMS
- **Valid CPR – BLS Certification.**
- **Firefighter/EMTs who do not possess a NJ DFS Fire Inspector certification/license must obtain it within 18 months of their appointment to maintain employment.**
- The applicant must possess a valid State of New Jersey Driver's License.
- The applicant must possess a High School Diploma or GED equivalent
- The applicant shall submit to a criminal background investigation; and is of good moral character.
- Ability to meet the physical, emotional and mental demands of the job, including passing a medical examination and fitness test.
- Ability to read, write and speak the English language intelligently.
- Strong communication skills and commitment to teamwork, safety, and community service.
- The applicant must be a citizen of the United States and a resident of the State of New Jersey.
- The applicant must be eligible for acceptance in the Police and Firemen's Retirement System (PFRS) or Public Employees Retirement System (PERS) of the State of New Jersey.

Preferred Qualifications:

- NJ DFS Fire Inspector certification/license
- NJ DFS Hazardous Materials Awareness/Operations
- NJ DFS Incident Management Level 1 Certification
- Prior experience in firefighting, EMS, or a related field.
- Knowledge of firefighting tactics, EMS protocols, and safety practices.
- Ability to operate fire apparatus, provide emergency medical care, perform vehicle extrications.

Work Environment:

- The Firefighter/EMT will work in diverse conditions, including but not limited to; responding to fires, medical emergencies, and hazardous materials situations in all weather conditions. Shift schedules may vary and include nights, weekends, and holidays.

Salary and Benefits:

- Current starting salary **\$50,000**.
- Benefits package, including health insurance, retirement benefits, and paid time off.
- Ongoing training and professional development opportunities.
- Supportive work environment, with focus on community and personal safety.

How to Apply (*Interested applicants must submit the following required documents*):

- A completed East Hanover Fire Department application; (available at easthanovertownship.com)
- A current resume detailing relevant experience and certifications;
- A letter of interest in the position of Firefighter/EMT;
- One copy of each of the minimum and preferred (if applicable) certifications;
- Provide three professional references who can speak to your qualifications and work experience. Include their name, job title, organization, email address, and phone number

Prospective applicants must, along with their certifications, also provide a money order made out to **Township of East Hanover**, in the amount of **\$75.00**. Application fees shall be waived for current active volunteers currently serving within the Township of East Hanover. Applications and required documents must be submitted and received no later than **4:30pm, April 25, 2025**. **NO EMAILS WILL BE ACCEPTED.** Submissions can be made via regular mail or delivered in person to:

**East Hanover Fire Department
C/O John G. Centanni Fire/OEM Director
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East Hanover, NJ 07936**

Note: **Under the Fair Labor Standards Act and if applicable, a successful applicant will not be able to remain or become a volunteer response member of the East Hanover Fire Department.*

****The Firefighter/EMT appointment process and salary ranges are in accordance with all applicable Township ordinances.**

The East Hanover Fire Department reserves the right to extend, modify, or discontinue the roster of eligible candidates at any time based on the department's hiring needs and/or other organizational considerations.

The Township of East Hanover is an Equal Opportunity Employer. All eligible candidates are encouraged to apply.