

CAREER PLAN TO BE A FIREFIGHTER AND PARAMEDIC

GOAL:

Obtain a full-time job as a firefighter and/or paramedic in the Fire Service.

OBJECTIVES:

1. Complete fire training (260) at Cuyahoga Community College
2. Complete Paramedic training within the next 18 months
3. Continue working towards an Associates Degree taking as many classes as possible as finances and time allows
4. Take every available entrance exam
5. Seek employment as a part-time firefighter or in a related field
6. Read and subscribe to one Fire magazine and one EMS magazine
7. Read one book related to Fire or EMS every six months
8. Subscribe to three Fire or EMS related websites
9. Keep in physical shape by working out three times per week and keeping my weight within acceptable limits

TO DO THIS I WILL NEED:

1. Support and encouragement from my family and friends
2. To keep focused, positive and not give up
3. To stay out of trouble
4. To re-evaluate my plan every six months

WHAT TO DO IN AN EMERGENCY

- The first thing to do in any emergency is to remain calm.
- The next thing is to make sure the area is safe. Do not go into an unsafe area and create more victims.
- If you can safely enter, quickly find out what happened.
- Call 9-1-1 and give the information to the dispatcher. Let the dispatcher hang up first.
- Give aid to victims, don't move them unless there is imminent danger.
- If you are in a place that is on fire, get out first and then call for help.

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SOUTH EUCLID FIRE DEPARTMENT

Fire & EMS Services

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The South Euclid Fire Department is responsible for the life and property safety of the citizens of South Euclid by providing the following services:

*Fire Operations • Emergency Medical Services
Special and Technical Rescue
Hazardous Materials • Disaster Management
Fire Safety Education • Fire Prevention*

The members of the South Euclid Fire Department, located at 1349 South Green Rd., provide these services.



FIRE OPERATIONS

Fire suppression and rescue are accomplished through the effective use of personnel and equipment. Fire officers receive extensive training in fire scene management and command. Firefighters are continuously training and updating skills. The South Euclid Fire Department makes use of two 1500 gallon per minute rescue pumpers and one 78' aerial ladder, plus various other pieces of specialized equipment. The fire department can also utilize the resources of neighboring fire departments in the event of larger incidents.

Property loss, citizen injuries and fatalities from fire are at record lows. Increased public awareness and fire prevention activities have helped reduce the number of fires and total dollar loss.

Firefighters do more than just fight fires. South Euclid firefighters provide emergency medical services, conduct fire safety education, maintain and repair equipment, inspect fire hydrants, conduct pre-emergency planning and conduct fire safety inspections in addition to the training requirements.

EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICE

The South Euclid Fire Department provides emergency medical services to the community. Approximately 90% of the department members are trained as paramedics, and the remainder are trained as emergency medical technicians. Paramedics provide advanced life support through the use of medications, IVs, oxygen, electrical defibrillation, heart monitoring and other methods. Two fully equipped rescue squads respond to various medical emergencies and injuries. In addition, each rescue pumper is equipped with advanced medical equipment and responds as needed.

Each year the rescue squads respond to nearly 2,200 emergencies. The care the paramedics and EMTs provide has made a difference in countless lives. Rescue squad personnel receive medical direction from emergency physicians and specially trained nurses. Patients are transported to the nearest appropriate emergency room.

SPECIAL AND TECHNICAL RESCUE

The South Euclid Fire Department provides technical rescue through the use of their own equipment or as part of the Heights Area Special Rescue Team (HASRT). HASRT is comprised of specially trained members from South Euclid, Cleveland Heights, Shaker Heights, Beachwood, University Heights and Euclid Fire Departments. HASRT responds to the following types of emergencies:

*High Angle Rescue • Confined Space
Trench Rescue • Water Rescue
Structural Collapse*

In addition to the above, the fire department is able to respond to various other incidents such as motor vehicle entrapment and any other type of special rescue.

HAZARDOUS MATERIALS

The South Euclid Fire Department responds to reports of hazardous materials spills and leaks. We can call on the resources of the Chagrin/Southeast Regional Hazardous Response Team for major emergencies. Trained members of the fire department handle minor spills and leaks.

FIRE PREVENTION

The fire prevention bureau conducts many activities to prevent fires and reduce fire loss. Activities include:

*Fire Safety Education
Fire Safety Inspections
Review of building plans for fire codes
Inspection of fire safety systems*

The Fire Prevention Bureau conducts fire safety training for schools and industry. The fire prevention bureau and shift personnel conduct fire safety inspections. Fire station tours are conducted and visitors are always welcome during business hours.

ABOUT THE SOUTH EUCLID FIRE DEPARTMENT

PERSONNEL

28-30 shift members work 24-hour shifts and are supported by a staff of three members in administration and fire prevention.

EQUIPMENT

The fire department operates one rescue pumper, one aerial ladder and two rescue squads and a medic chase car.

ALARMS

The fire department responds to over 3,300 alarms per year.