## **Lakeside Fire Protection District**

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# LAKESIDE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT RESERVE FIREFIGHTER

**POSITION:** Reserve firefighters, under direct supervision, attend scheduled drills and perform a myriad of firefighting and EMS skills including but not limited to: responding to structure fires, wildland fires, vehicle accidents and medical aids. Other duties may include vehicle and apparatus maintenance as well as station maintenance. During scheduled ride-along shifts the reserve may be assigned to an engine company or a transporting ALS unit.

**TRAINING:** Each new reserve firefighter will be required to attend an orientation prior to scheduling their shifts. Upon completion of the orientation, the reserve firefighters will attend a reserve academy consisting of 8 days of training on a myriad of firefighting skills. The reserves will come together collectively to schedule which days they will complete the reserve academy. Upon completion of the reserve academy, reserves will be able to schedule shifts according to District policy. Reserves are assigned a task book consisting of firefighting and station tasks they are responsible for completing. The reserve program is very flexible and willing to work with the reserves and their busy schedules. The District understands the rigorous steps to becoming a firefighter and will help in anyway shape or form. The District is willing to work with reserves who are in the fire academy and paramedic school. We are dedicated to getting the reserves the necessary experience to become successful firefighter/paramedics.

**SALARY RANGE:** Unpaid, volunteer

**<u>SCHEDULE</u>**: At least four (4) 24-hour shifts per quarter and attend one (1) Saturday drill per month.

### **MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS**

- 18 years of age or older
- Possess a high school diploma or equivalent
- Possess a CA Class C Driver's License
  - Ambulance driver certificate (must have by start date)
- Possess a valid San Diego County EMT certification
  - San Diego County Paramedic license highly desirable
- Must have CPAT by date of hire
- Must be able to purchase required uniforms and safety boots (approximately \$500 in total cost)
- Previous fire training or experience is not required but desirable
  - Firefighter I academy is highly desirable





#### **LAKESIDE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT**

- Area: 50.55 sq. miles
- Population: 65,835
- Fire Stations: 4
- Personnel: 58

#### ABOUT THE DISTRICT

The Lakeside Fire Protection District, in San Diego County, is home to over 60,000 residents living in the communities of Lakeside, Eucalyptus Hills, Moreno, Winter Gardens, Lakeview, Johnstown, Blossom Valley, Flinn Springs, Pepper Drive and other areas of unincorporated El Cajon. Our service area is primarily suburban residential but also has several core commercial zones, some light industry, and many rural/agricultural properties. The District also has a significant wildland/urban interface.

The Lakeside Fire Protection District is proud to have been an original participant in the Heartland Mutual Aid Pact and, along with our partner, Santee Fire Department, continue to operate the longest running paramedic program in San Diego County.

#### **OUR MISSION, VISION, AND VALUES**

The Lakeside Fire Protection District exists to protect life, property, and the environment; and is dedicated to serving our community. Lakeside Fire Protection District's 2023 vision is to be widely known as an internationally accredited fire and emergency services agency that exists to protect life, property, and the environment for those who live, work, and play in our district. The Lakeside Fire Protection District values professionalism, integrity, competency, and compassionate customer service.

#### **APPLICATION PROCESS**

Interested candidates can apply by submitting a District application and attaching the following items:

- Resume, detailing education and experience
- Copy of valid CA Class C Driver's License
- Copy of CA EMT San Diego County accreditation
- Copy of Ambulance driver certification (if available)

#### **TESTING PROCESS**

The applications submitted will be screened and the most qualified applicants will be invited to our testing process which may include the following components:

- Written test
- Oral interview
- Skills assessment, including Patient assessment (using San Diego protocols)