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Volunteer Membership Programs

Please review the following information to determine eligibility, qualifications, training and expected participation for each volunteer program.

The following volunteer memberships programs are currently available:

- Support Services
- EMS
- Firefighter

The basic eligibility requirement for all Fire District 6 volunteers is a minimum age of 18 years and a high school diploma or GED. After initial application screening, volunteer applicants must pass a general knowledge exam, oral interview, medical exam, drug screen and criminal background check. Depending on the program selected, other eligibility criteria may apply. Please see the volunteer program table at the end of this document for more details.

Volunteers participating in some activities (but not all) are given reimbursements and/or nominal stipends for their service. The nominal stipend amounts are different for each volunteer membership program.

Please read through the following program descriptions and volunteer program table to determine the best program for you.

If you have any additional questions please contact:

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SUPPORT SERVICES

Support Services personnel assist with non-emergency support activities essential to the fire district. Fire prevention, public education and administration of daily emergencies fall under this category. These important services are provided in addition to the daily Fire & EMS operations. Support Services members represent the Fire District at community service and public education events throughout the year. The taxpayers we service rarely meet District personnel at emergency scenes. More often they meet our members at everyday non-emergent support service activities.

There are many ways Support Service members may contribute – this is just a few examples:

- Assist with public relations events including teaching fire prevention or public education classes
- Web page design and management and Newsletter Design & Management
- Food services at district functions
- Administrative and clerical support
- Grant writing/Fundraising efforts
- Inventory management
- Community support activities (food or toy drives, fundraising for needy citizens)
- Maintenance support (facilities, landscaping and vehicles)

The level of participation is determined by the type of volunteer service provided and time availability. The support service personnel may be given a \$12.00 nominal stipend per event. These volunteers are not required to live within the

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boundaries of the Fire District 6. Support Services volunteers are issued appropriate apparel and/or gear required for their position. Please see the volunteer program table at the end of this document for more details.

EMS Volunteer

EMS only volunteers provide Basic Life Support (BLS) services as First Responders. To participate in this program, a Washington State EMT certification is required. **All applicants for this program must have a current Washington State EMT certification, a class completion certificate from an accredited EMT class and/or a National Registry of EMT's card.** EMS personnel provide shift coverage at our volunteer Station 151.

Initial training requirements include:

- Attending a district provided EMS academy. The EMS academy is typically three (3) Saturday's 0800 – 1700. **100% Attendance is mandatory**
- Completing an EMS task book with career firefighters (EMS volunteers will ride out with career paramedics and complete patient assessments for certain types of calls)
- Attending a district EVIP program for the emergency vehicle response.

To maintain their EMT certification, EMS volunteers must complete online and classroom training every month. The classroom training is usually conducted the first Monday night of every month from 7 pm – 9pm.

The **minimum** level of participation is **24 hours per month**. The 24 hours per month may include (but is not limited to) shift coverage, training and public relations events. EMS volunteers may be reimbursed \$7.00 for responses and training drills. They also might receive a nominal stipend of \$22.00 for other

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volunteer activities. EMS volunteers are not required to live within the boundaries on Fire District 6 and are issued the appropriate apparel/gear required for their position. Please see the volunteer program table at the end of this document for more details.

Firefighter

Fire District 6 is a combination fire department meaning both career and volunteer personnel work together to provide emergency services to the community. The volunteer firefighter program contributes by providing volunteers who can provide shift coverage and respond back to fire stations for calls. To participate in this program, a Washington State EMT certification is required. **All applicants for this program must have a current Washington State EMT certification, a class completion certificate from an accredited EMT class and/or a National Registry of EMT's card.**

The Initial training requirement is attending a district provided Firefighter academy. The Firefighter academy is typically twelve (12) weeks long and includes one (1) weeknight (6 pm – 10pm) and all day Saturday (0800 – 1700). ***100% Attendance is mandatory***

To maintain their firefighter skills and EMT certification, volunteer firefighters must complete online and station training drills every month. The station training drills are conducted every Monday night from 6:30 pm until 9:30 pm. ***75.00% drill attendance is required.***

The **minimum** level of participation is **24 hours per month**. The 24 hours per month may include (but is not limited to) shift coverage, station call back, training and public relations events. Volunteer firefighters may be reimbursed \$7.00 for responses and training drills. They also might receive a nominal stipend of

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\$32.00 for some volunteer activities. EMS volunteers are not required to live within the boundaries on Fire District 6 and are issued the appropriate apparel/gear required for their position. Please see the volunteer program table at the end of this document for more details.

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Volunteer Mememrship Programs

Fall 2015

	Support Services	EMS Only	Firefighter
Qualifications	Written Exam ≥ 75.00% Medical Exam Passed Drug Screen Negative Background Check Clean Other Qualifications may apply depending on support services assignment	Written Exam ≥ 75.00% Medical Exam Passed Drug Screen Negative Background Check Clean Valid Driver's License WA State EMT Certification Bloodbourne Pathogens Class Recruit Academy Passed EVIP & Driver Training Complete EMS Task Book	Written Exam ≥ 75.00% Physical Ability Passed Medical Exam Passed Drug Screen Negative Background Check Clean Respirator Medical Passed Valid Driver's License WA State EMT Certification Recruit Academy Passed Complete EMS Task Book
Training Requirements	Association Meeting	EMS Drill Monthly ≥ 75% Online OTEP Association Meeting	Monday Night Drill Weekly ≥ 75% Online OTEP Association Meeting
Ride-out Requirements	None	24 Hours Month	24 Hours Month
District Equipment	Support Services Polo Shirt District ID Badge Other Equipment may be issued depending on support services assignment	Non-Nomex Duty Uniform Hepa Mask Fanny Pack	Firefighter Checklist
Nominal Stipend	Stipend \$12.00 or \$22.00 depending on support services assignment	Stipend \$22.00	Firefighter Stipend \$22.00 Firefighter/EMT Stipend \$32.00
Reimbursement	Response \$7.00 if applicable Drill \$7.00 if applicable	Response \$7.00 Drill \$7.00	Response \$7.00 Drill \$7.00
Probationary Period	One Year	One Year	One Year
Insurance	BVFF	BVFF	BVFF