



Thornton Fire District
Employment Opportunity
Fire Academy Graduates encouraged to apply
Job Description:
Intern Firefighter
\$125 Stipend per 24 hour shift

Definition: Intern Firefighter

The Intern Firefighter is an intermediate level position and will be assigned to one(1) shift a week. The Intern Firefighter will work with the staff on shift and be directly supervised and work under the direction of the Company Officer.

Job Summary:

Under general direction, the Intern Firefighter responds to various types of non-emergency and emergency calls, including but not limited to structure, wildland and vehicle fires, medical emergencies, hazardous material incidents, vehicle accidents, public service incidents, community service events including but not limited to fire prevention and awareness.

Duties:

The duties listed below are intended only as illustrations of the various types of work that may be performed. The omission of specific statements of duties does not exclude them from the position if the work is similar, related or a logical assignment to this class.

- Respond to alarms in a wide variety of emergency situations as a member of an assigned crew.
- Perform modern fire suppression operations in a safe and effective manner, using hose lines, fire streams, raising ladders, ventilation tactics, and salvage/overhaul operations.
- Provide emergency medical care to patients and/or victims of accidents, injury or illness and perform patient assessments as determined by protocol
- Rescue and/or extricate trapped victims using tools and equipment including but not limited to hydraulic spreaders, cutters, rams, and airbags.
- Assists in maintenance of fire vehicles, rescue units and other apparatus and equipment.
- Assists in the cleaning and/or maintenance of fire station and other fire district property
- Attends drills and classes; studies technical periodicals and publications and maintains all current certifications as required by the State of California.
- Inspects business establishments, residences, public buildings, warehouses, and other buildings in the enforcement of laws and regulations pertaining to fire prevention as specified by state and local fire code.
- Conducts public education activities.

Ability to:

The abilities listed below are intended to illustrate the various types of work that may be performed. The omission of specific statements of abilities does not exclude them from the position if the work is similar, related or a logical assignment to this class.

- Read and understand technical materials relating to firefighting, prevention, and departmental regulations and guidelines.
- Apply elementary principles of chemistry and physics to firefighting problems.
- Understand and follow written and verbal directions under both routine and stressful conditions.
- Work effectively under emergency conditions and use sound judgment under hazardous circumstances.
- Work independently and as a team member.
- Establish and maintain cooperative working relationships with members of the district and surrounding agencies.
- Communicate effectively both verbally and in writing.
- Work effectively and courteously with the public.
- Meet and maintain physical endurance and agility.
- Write simple reports.
- Climb ladders, which require lifting arms above shoulder level and working at heights greater than 10 feet.
- Maintain certifications required by the Fire District and other local and/or state.
- Within six (6) months of employment, Intern Firefighters must obtain and maintain their Driver Operator 1A, and Firefighter's Endorsement.

Requirements for Intern Firefighter per SOG#1-3:1:

- Highschool Diploma or GED
- Must be eighteen (18) years of age, prior to appointment.
- Possession of a valid California Class C Driver's License.
- Valid American Heart Association CPR certification
- San Joaquin County EMT Certificate, CA EMT, or NREMT
- Valid CPAT within 1 year prior to appointment
- Must reside within a reasonable radius from the district

Desired Qualifications for Intern Firefighter:

- OSFM Accredited Fire Academy
- OSFM Firefighter 1

- OSFM Driver Operator 1A and or Driver Operator 1B
- Firefighters Endorsement

Incentives:

Thornton Fire Protection District will pay \$125 stipend for every 24 hour shift. The Thornton Fire District will cover the cost of any certifications and/or classes required by the district. Additional certifications and/or classes may also be covered, pending approval by the Fire Chief.

Interns shall receive a monthly fifty (\$50) dollar stipend for the maintenance of their EMT licensure.

In the Interest of maintaining a professional looking workforce, the District will reimburse employees for one set of uniforms in January of every year. The District will supply one pair of pants, two t-shirts, and one Class B shirt at the Time of hire. If the Intern leaves the District, the Class B shirt and District issued badge shall be returned.

Physical Requirements:

This position is involved in active public safety duties, which include the incumbents engaging in moderate physical exertion, associated with the ability to but is not limited to, lifting and/or dragging of heavy weight, bending, stretching, stooping, squatting, climbing, balancing, kneeling, crouching, crawling, running, jumping, pushing, pulling, twisting, and other forms of moderate to extreme physical. This position also requires extensive and repetitive physical activity involving the arms, wrists, and hands. It also requires physical abilities associated with the ability to read, write, and communicate in a work environment.

Working Conditions:

Positions in this class require the incumbents to be able to:

- Work various shifts, overtime, weekends, holidays non-routine hours.
- Work outside in all types of climatic conditions including inclement and very hot weather, road hazards, substantial heights, vibration, confined spaces, chemicals, mechanical and/or electrical hazards, and hazardous physical substances and fumes.

Process:

Qualified candidates are encouraged to apply. Those who are qualified may either email or drop off their completed application to the Fire Districts email or Fire Station. Following pending review, candidates most qualified will be invited for an oral interview. Candidates must pass pre-employment drug screening, background check, and physical exam prior to being placed on shift at discretion of the Fire Chief. Please visit www.thorntonfiredistrict.org to download your application and submit to thornton.fire@thorntonfireidistrict.org

Eligibility:

Candidates who are most qualified will be placed on an eligibility list, good for two years.

