

Benefits Provided To Members

- **Length of Service Award Program**
Meet requirements and earn up to \$1700/yr (adjusted for inflation) in a 401(k) type savings account. Members vest after 5 years of service.
- **Educational Assistance Plan**
Provided by the Department, meet requirements and earn up to \$5,250/yr toward educational expenses
- **Volunteer Tuition Credit Program**
A State of NJ Plan in which the township participates. Up to \$600/yr tuition reimbursement for county college, county vocational schools or technical institutes. The benefit is for members, members spouses or children.
- **Scholarships**
Scholarships are available to eligible children of members, up to \$ 1,500/yr
- **Workmen's Compensation Insurance**
Any injuries resulting from your work with the Department are fully covered.
- **Life Insurance**
You are covered by up to \$21,500 in life insurance, a portion of which you may keep even if you leave the Department, provided at no cost to members.
- **Additional Firefighter Training**
Expand your firefighting knowledge and training. Additional courses are provided at no cost to members.
- **Membership in the New Jersey State Firefighters Association**
Additional benefits are available through membership in the NJ State Firefighters Association. All members of the department are automatically enrolled.
- **Recreational Facilities at WFD**
The firehouse is equipped with a gym for members to use, a lounge area with tv/video/video game console and wi-fi
- **Membership Discounts**
Members get a discounted rate at the Community Center, and some local/county businesses offer discounts on merchandise and services

YOU COULD BE OUR HERO.

Basic Membership Requirements

- Between the ages of 18-57*
- US Citizen
- Valid NJ Driver's License, good driving record
- Be a resident of the Fire District - Woodbridge, Sewaren and Fords—(mailing addresses East of the Parkway) for at least 6 months and maintain residency in the district
- Complete background check/fingerprinting
- Pass physical examination/drug screen
- Meet minimum alarm and drill response requirements
- Complete Firefighter I training at the Middlesex County Fire Academy
- A desire to serve your community as a first responder

* Prior to 58th birthday.

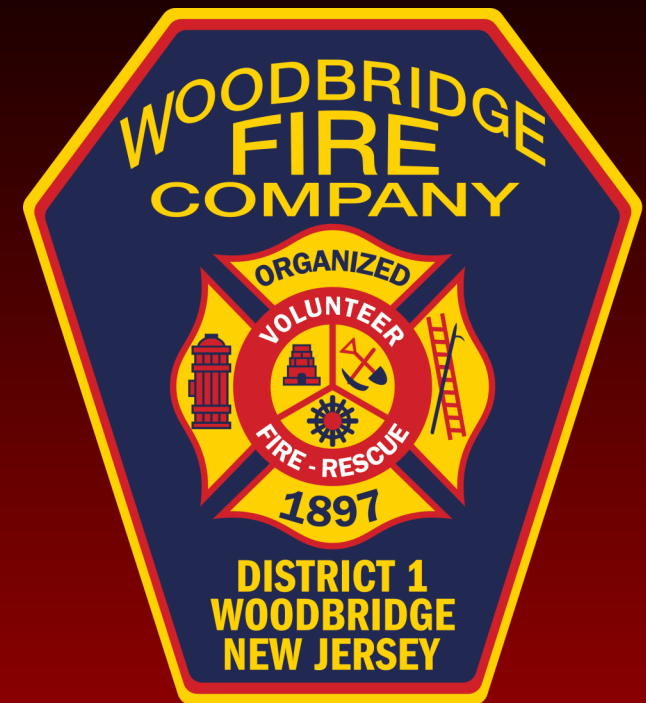
For more information or to get started becoming a Volunteer Firefighter with Woodbridge Fire Department, please contact:

Woodbridge Fire Company
418 School Street
Woodbridge, NJ 07095-2935

Email: membership@woodbridgefd.org

FIGHTERS WANTED. FIREFIGHTERS, THAT IS.

It's not what you look like, what level of education you have, or where you come from. It's about heart. If you have the heart to serve Woodbridge & Sewaren in a way that few can, you have everything we need.



We invite you to join a family that will always have your back. Detailed information about becoming a firefighter and volunteering with us is inside.

YOUR COMMUNITY IS CALLING



The Volunteer Firefighters of WFD

The volunteer firefighters of Woodbridge Fire Department have been serving the residents of Woodbridge and Sewaren since its founding as "Woodbridge Fire Company No. 1" in 1897 - over 120 years. The Department has been "combination", a blend of volunteer and career firefighters since 1929. Working seamlessly together we provide fire suppression, hazard mitigation and rescue services to the public. All of our firefighters are held to the same standards.

Our volunteers are from all walks of life, backgrounds and education. This diversity allows us to draw on a broad wealth of knowledge and experiences that enhances our mission of serving and protecting the public.

We respond to about 750 calls per year, over a large spectrum of incidents: fires, hazmat, motor vehicle accidents, extrication, and rescue - to name a few.

At least once per month, we hold a drill. Topics may be classroom based, given by our own instructors or an outside expert. Hands on drills are used to maintain proficiency on our tools and techniques. Live fire training is held at the state of art training facilities at the Middlesex County Fire Academy.

When we aren't out on a call, there are fundraisers, a monthly business meeting, and community/social events throughout the year to participate in.

We are looking for dedicated, motivated people that want to serve the community in a vitally important way as volunteer first responders. We provide all the tools and training you will need to become part of an organization based on tradition and rooted in service.

If you have some time, and are willing to put in some effort, we have a rewarding and fulfilling experience waiting for you! Contact us to get started!

What We Provide

- All the tools, training, guidance and equipment you need to become a firefighter
- The ability to gain experience and skills that will help you both personally and professionally
- Ways to make new friends, meet new people, work as a team and become a member of a new "family"
- A role in public service that is rewarding, providing a sense of accomplishment and that is key to the safety and security of your town
- All of the benefits afforded as a member, described on the back

High School Seniors & College Students

- Earn up to \$5,850/yr in tuition assistance for college/technical/vocational school
- Leadership & volunteer experience for your resume
- Get a head start on a civil service career



Questions You May Have

- **What's involved in Firefighter 1 training?**
This is a state required 198 hour course of study that covers basic firefighting, hazardous materials, and CPR. Courses are offered at night (3 nights/week, 7:30-10:30 - 5 months) and during the day (M-F, 8-4 - 6 weeks). The Middlesex County Fire Academy is just over Route 9/35 bridges in Sayreville.
- **Are there minimum response requirements I have to meet? How much time is involved?**
In order to maintain good standing and receive most of the benefits we offer, we require that members make 20% of alarms and 60% of drills. This means about 12 alarms per month and about 8 drills per year, about 3 hours per week of your time, on average.
- **Are there duty schedules/times?**
No! Since emergencies can happen at any time, typically members respond when available in their personal vehicles when there is an alarm. You are always welcome to spend time at the firehouse and ride out on the rigs.
- **How can I get additional information and details or get answers to other questions I may have?**
Have a look at our website, Facebook page, Follow us on Twitter or watch our videos on YouTube to get some more information or to see what's going on at WFD. The "links" are below. Also use the contact information provided on the rear panel. We'd be happy to answer your questions, meet with you to discuss membership or give you a tour of the firehouse and apparatus.

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