

**Lafayette Township Fire & Rescue District
Fire Chief Job Posting**

Lafayette Township Fire & Rescue District is accepting applications for the position of Fire Chief. Lafayette Township is located in southwest Medina County, 30 miles south the Cleveland metropolitan area and approximately 20 miles west of the City of Akron. The township has a population of roughly 6,000 residents. Lafayette Township Fire & Rescue District proudly serves the communities of Lafayette Township, the Village of Chippewa Lake, and Gloria Glens Park Village with fire protection and emergency medical services. The district service area boasts the largest natural lake in Ohio – the historic and scenic Chippewa Lake, which is preserved as part of the Medina County Park District.

Lafayette Township Fire & Rescue District has 26 paid on-call personnel operating from one fire station. The department is a well-respected, full-service, all hazards response agency, and responds to 750 calls for service annually.

The Fire Chief reports directly to the Fire District Board of Trustees. This **highly visible** position requires an **energetic** individual with excellent communication and interpersonal skills and the ability to foster a dedicated team environment. Successful applicants will have experience in planning, possess astute financial skills, and have a broad background in all aspects of fire and emergency medical services delivery including fire prevention and inspection.

Requirements include a minimum of 10 years of progressively responsible supervisory experience with time as a Lieutenant or higher, and the following State of Ohio certifications: Firefighter II, Paramedic, Fire or Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Instructor, and a valid Ohio operator's license. Applicants should also possess a Fire Safety Inspector certification. Completion of Fire Officer I and II training is required; Fire Officer III and IV are desired. Possession of a degree from an accredited institution in Fire Science, Fire Administration, Public Safety Management, Business Administration, or related field, as well as completion of the Ohio Fire Executive Program (OFE) or Executive Fire Officer Program (EFO) is desired. The successful applicant must be in good physical condition and have the ability to pass all pre-employment screenings including physical examination and drug screening.

The salary range for this position is up to \$75,000 annually, depending on qualifications and experience, and includes a comprehensive benefits package.

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Lafayette Township offers a complete benefits package to full-time employees including: health, dental, and life insurance, retirement pension and savings plans, paid holidays, vacation, sick leave, and longevity pay and in many positions, paid uniforms or clothing allowance. This position is part of the Management Pay Plan.

All applicants will be considered for employment without attention to race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, national origin, veteran, or disability status. In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and the Americans with Disabilities Act Amendment Act (ADAAA), Lafayette Township will provide reasonable accommodations, upon reasonable request, to qualified individuals with disabilities and encourages prospective employees to discuss potential accommodations with the employer.

Interested candidates should submit a cover letter and resume, which includes experience and achievements in program and project management, and copies of required certifications to:

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