

Mosquito Fire Protection District (MFPD) www.mfpd.us Job Announcement – Fire Chief \$80,000 +Benefits

Mosquito Fire Protection District is currently recruiting qualified applicants for the position of Fire Chief. The position reports directly to the elected District Board of Directors. This position is full-time; however, an alternative work schedule could be negotiated with the right candidate.

The MFPD is in the Sierra foothills an hour east of the State Capitol, Sacramento. It provides fire suppression, prevention, and first responder medical services to about 2,000 residents in a 13 square mile area. The Mosquito community is in a rural setting rich in history dating back to the California Gold Rush days.

The Fire Chief is responsible for the operations of a combined fire department. The chief leads recruitment, mentoring, training, and retention of both paid and volunteer firefighters to meet the needs of the district within the limited budget available. The paid staff includes the Chief, a paid Captain, and a part-time Administrative Assistant. A contingent of volunteers—firefighters and civilian support group members—covers the rest.

The district has been awarded a 3 year FEMA SAFER grant to improve volunteer recruitment and retention.

The district is a non-PERS agency but offers a negotiable benefit package.

Qualifications for the successful applicant include: (California specific requirements can be equated to out-of-state certifications, training or licensing)

- An AA degree in fire management or fire technology, public administration, business administration or closely related field; OR relevant work experience.
- A combination of education, training and experience that clearly demonstrates the knowledge, skills and abilities to perform the essential functions of the position.
- Needs 5-7 years proven ability to provide administrative duties, such as fire district finance, budgeting, and cost control for a rural Fire Department in concert with Board policy and guidelines including the strategic plan.
- Seven years supervisory fire suppression experience, three of which must be at a Battalion Chief's level or higher which has afforded the opportunity to become familiar with all aspects of a fire department's operations; or an equivalent combination of training and experience which provides the required skills, knowledge and abilities.
- Certified Fire Officer or equivalent.
- Experience with the Incident Command System.
- Experience with rural fire districts and volunteer recruitment, retention, and management.
- Experience in developing and managing strong, supportive community relations.
- Must possess or obtain within 6 months and El Dorado County EMT Certification.
- Possess intermediate level computer skills.
- Possess and maintain a valid California Class C drivers' license with a fire fighter endorsement within 30 days of hire.



- Meet medical physical standards as determined by the district's occupational medical and/or insurance provider.
- Successfully pass a drug screen and background check, such as the DOJ live scan report.
- Able to be in the district within 60 minutes.
- Needs 2-5 years' experience managing Federal, State, and Local government grants.

Desirable qualifications:

- Previous experience as a Fire Chief.
- Bachelor's Degree in Fire Science, Public Administration, Business Administration or related field.
- California SFM Certified Chief Officer, National Fire Academy Executive Fire Officer.
- Certified Fire Instructor with expertise in the management and delivery of training and EMS programs.
- Experience working with a combination career and volunteer workforce.
- Experience in wild land protection and inter-agency coordination.
- A high level of professionalism, work ethic and the ability to exercise fiscal management to include creation of an annual budget for approval by the Board of Directors.
- Knowledge of Fire equipment maintenance procedures.

Please submit a letter of interest and a current resume to:

Mosquito Fire Protection District:
Sharlyn Fields
Email: admin75@mfpd.us
8801 Rock Creek Road
Placerville, CA 95667

Position to remain open until filled. Initial deadline: Application to be in the district office by November 30, 2024

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