



JOB OPPORTUNITY

Volunteer Firefighter

The City of Thorold is looking for Volunteer Firefighters. This is a unionized position with United Steelworkers Local 14241.

Primary Function

Performs firefighting duties and other related work as required. This is manual work of a hazardous nature involving the fighting of fires, salvage, rescue works and first aid generally under the direct supervision of superior Officers. Regular training and some maintenance work in the fire station and vehicles is required. Firefighters may be required to make decisions and work without supervision until an Officer arrives on scene.

Duties and Responsibilities

- Responds to fire, rescue, hazardous materials, medical assistance emergencies and other emergencies assigned to the Department.
- Lays and connects hose lines, nozzles and other related appliances. Connects hose to fire hydrants, Fire Department connections, and turns off and on.
- Holds fire hose and pumps fire streams.
- Operates portable pumps as assigned.
- Operates elevating devices as assigned.
- Drives and operates fire apparatus as assigned.
- Carries, erects and climbs ladders.
- Operates rescue equipment, both heavy hydraulic and hand tools.
- Performs salvage work and overhaul at fire and emergency scenes using salvage covers, vacuums, mops, and squeegees, etc.
- Performs ventilation by making openings in buildings, using axes, power tools, exhaust fans.
- Enter burning or contaminated buildings, structures and other areas to fight fires and/or perform rescues while wearing required clothing and safety equipment. (self-contained breathing apparatus).
- Assist in giving first aid to the injured. Maintains current CPR and Red Cross First Responder Certificate and Defibrillation Certificate.
- Assists in cleaning firefighting equipment upon return to the station after an emergency call or a practice.
- Attends regular training sessions to practice existing procedures and to learn and practice new firefighting and rescue methods.
- Cleans and maintains personal gear and areas of the fire station as scheduled.
- Maintains fire apparatus and equipment
- Assists with the fire prevention program and training program.
- Other duties as assigned by Fire Chief, District Chief or Department Officers.

POSITION SPECIFICATIONS

EDUCATION/TRAINING:

- Minimum grade twelve diploma.

EXPERIENCE/SKILLS:

- Mental alertness, mechanical aptitude, ability to get along well with others, willingness to perform any task assigned, conscientious and dependable, good physical condition, holder of a valid "G" license. With a "DZ" in house endorsement to be completed within two year of joining the Fire Department.

WORK ENVIRONMENT:

- The Firefighter will be expected to respond and work in all types of weather and less than ideal conditions, at all hours. Firefighters may have to enter hazardous atmospheres and areas and will be expected to work in a safe manner.

SUPERVISION GIVEN:

- Works under the direction of the Fire Chief, District Chief and Department Officers.

TIME PRESSURES:

- High degree of pressure associated with emergency situations involving major fires, accidents, hazardous materials, medical, etc.

RESPONSIBILITY:

Supervision Received: Works under direction of Fire Chief, District Chief and Department Officers.

Impact of Errors: In emergency situations, errors may be costly and life threatening.

Freedom Limited freedom, however, in the absence of an Officer, functions with a greater degree of responsibility.

INTERPERSONAL CONTACTS:

- Chief, Officers, fellow Firefighters and the public.

CREATIVITY:

- Ability to communicate effectively verbally and has good written skills.

PHYSICAL DEMANDS:

- Must have the ability to endure mental and physical stress associated with emergency situations. Maintain good physical fitness level and medical fitness.

The above statement reflects the principal functions and duties as required for proper evaluation of the job. Other related duties can only be considered part of the job if they directly relate to the primary function contained herein.

Job Location: primarily in the district assigned

Job Rate: \$18.59 - \$21.67

Anticipated Start: January 12, 2023

Interested candidates are invited to submit their detailed resume and Thorold Fire & Emergency Services Job application to the Bertha Goucher, via bertha.goucher@thorold.ca no later than **Monday, October 24, 2022**.

Only those applicants selected for an interview will be contacted.

In accordance with the Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act, 2005 and the Ontario Human rights code, the City will provide accommodation to applicants with disabilities throughout the recruitment, selection and/or assessment process. If selected to participate in the recruitment, selection and/or assessment process, please inform staff of the nature of any accommodation(s) that you may require.

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