



Volunteer Responder Reimbursement

The District reimburses active volunteer responders monthly by a system of awarding points for participating in shifts.

Volunteer Opportunities

Firefighter/EMT Responder

This position performs firefighting and emergency medical care, and fire prevention duties. Included within these duties are the following: preventing, combating, and extinguishing fires; saving life and property; station and equipment maintenance, and related activities as required; and public education. The District covers the cost of training for both fire recruit academy and EMT Class.

EMS Only Responder

This position is an active member of the response team who performs emergency medical care and related activities. These responders do not participate in fire suppression tasks, but do participate in various support roles at a fire scene such as EMS delivery and resource management.

Support Services (Rehab) Responder

The Support Services volunteer responds to and renders support to emergency responders at an emergency scene such as filling SCBA bottles, and equipment cleaning and maintenance.



EAST OLYMPIA FIRE DISTRICT #6

**Volunteer / Resident Volunteer
Responder Programs**

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Who We Are

East Olympia Fire District #6 is a combination department of career and volunteer members working together to provide outstanding service to the citizens we protect. We serve approximately 13,000 people in the 28-square mile area between Tumwater-Olympia-Lacey and Rainier-Tenino-Littlerock.

We respond to approximately 1200 calls per year, including mutual aid. About 80 percent of these calls are for medical assistance such as minor injuries, auto accidents, and medical emergencies. Fire calls include grass/brush fires, chimney fires, structure fires, vehicle fires, etc.

Our Mission

The mission of East Olympia Fire District #6 is to preserve life and property, promote public safety, and foster good public relations by providing professional fire and emergency medical services to the citizens of our community. We accomplish this mission through visionary leadership, quality training, public education, and our actions as we serve the public.

Volunteer Response Program

The District sponsors volunteers in Thurston County Fire Academy and Thurston County Medic One EMT Courses each fall and spring each year. After completion of fire academy and/or EMT class, volunteers are assigned to a shift and begin a one-year probation period. Training is held on shift daily and nightly.

During probation responders report for their shift assignment under Tier Two to obtain the essential training to enhance their firefighting or EMS skills. After completing a one-year probation period, responders have the option to participate at Tier One.

The **Tier Levels** outlined below are minimum requirements, and do not preclude any volunteer responder from participating in as many shifts as they desire. Generally, shift assignments are as follows:

- 24-Hr. Shift: 0700-0700
- Day Shift: 0700-1700
- Night Shift: 1700-0700
- Eve Shift: 1700-2200

Tier One

- Three (3) shifts per month.
- Must include one 24-hour shift per month.
- Maintain minimum training per Guideline #T-02.

Tier Two

- Six (6) shifts per month.
- Must include two 24-hour shifts per month.
- Maintain minimum training per Guideline #T-02.

Benefits

- “Hands-on” training experience
- Class A live fire training
- Access to full workout facility
- WA State Board for Volunteer Firefighters Disability
- WA State Board for Volunteer Firefighters Pension
- Group Life and Accident Insurance
- Employee Assistance Program (EAP)
- Reimbursement for participating on shifts

Resident Volunteer Program

The Resident Volunteer program is similar to the Volunteer Response program, except that the fire station becomes the resident volunteer's primary residence. The program allows volunteers pursuing a fire service career to live at the fire station while gaining valuable experience that prepares them for a career in the fire service.

Resident volunteers are assigned a dorm room and a shift, and will respond to calls on their assigned shift, and turn out for any major calls when in quarters. They participate in a minimum of **six (6)** shifts per month and are required to maintain training per Guideline #T-02.

REQUIREMENTS:

- ◆ Fire Service Student—career oriented
- ◆ CPR Qualified
- ◆ Valid Driver's License with good driving record
- ◆ Ability to pass medical physical and background
- ◆ NFPA 1403 interior qualified (District can facilitate)
- ◆ Firefighter 1 preferred
- ◆ EMT preferred

