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THE CITY OF SANTA BARBARA FIRE DEPARTMENT WILL BE OPENING RECRUITMENT AND ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS IN EARLY JUNE OF 2017

CANDIDATES MUST BE ON THE FCTC STATEWIDE ELIGIBILITY LIST

The City of Santa Barbara will be seeking candidates for Firefighter/EMT positions. Candidates must meet the following requirements:

1. California State Fire Marshal Firefighter 1 Certificate: or graduate from a Firefighter 1 academy accredited by the California State Fire Marshal
2. Current CALIFORNIA EMT certification or EMT-P license
3. Valid CPAT
4. California Class A or B or C driver’s license
5. High School Diploma or G.E.D.

Please make the necessary arrangements to meet the requirements, including placement on the Firefighter Candidate Testing Center Statewide Eligibility List. Please visit fctconline to register for upcoming CPAT and written tests, and to learn about the examination process, requirements, study materials, and other testing information including fees. Costs associated with taking the examinations are the responsibility of the applicant. Grants are available through the California Fire Foundation. Proof of financial need is required. Please visit fctc/financial hardship to view requirements.

CPAT test dates and locations through the month of June are posted on the FCTC web site. A written exam will be offered in Santa Barbara on April 22, 2017. Please note that additional testing dates will be announced shortly and you should check FCTC’s web site for the most current testing schedule.

About the City of Santa Barbara Fire Department:

The Fire Department’s management team consists of a Fire Chief, Fire Operations Division Chief, a Fire Prevention Division Chief, an Administrative Services Manager, Emergency Services Manager, and four Battalion Chiefs (three shift Battalion Chiefs and a Training Officer).

The Fire Department has a $22.9 million budget and 105 employees responsible for fire suppression, prevention, public education, wildland fire planning and emergency services. Santa Barbara’s 21 square
miles are served by eight fire stations, including the Airport. The main Fire Station #1 underwent a major remodel and seismic renovations in 2009 and also serves as the City’s Emergency Operations Center.

Fire Department Operations personnel work a 48/96 work schedule that comprises 2 complete days on duty with 4 days off duty in a rotation system. There are 3 platoons or shifts of firefighters to fully staff this rotation system. Each shift has 28 members (9 captains, 10 engineers, and 9 firefighters) and one Battalion Chief for a total of 29 safety personnel on duty each day of the year. Staffing of 8 stations consists of Type 1 engines, Type III engines, a ladder truck company, and ARFF rigs at the Santa Barbara City Airport. The City of Santa Barbara Fire Department responds to over 8,000 calls per year. In addition to our emergency responses, SBFD conducts prevention inspections, delivers a fire safety public education program, and is an active participant in many community based events.

The ideal candidate will have a commitment to diversity and integrity, an openness to change, self-confidence and resilience, able to work with others as a team member, communicate effectively, a commitment to personal development, be a good problem solver, have a high situational awareness, solid planning and implementing skills, have political and organizational awareness, and most of all a commitment to excellence both personally and professionally.

Competitive candidates will meet or exceed NFPA medical standards, meet or exceed the physical condition it takes to be a strong firefighter, and show a commitment to personal health and fitness. Competitive candidates will have a good understanding of the fire service, and through education and experience be able to show they are prepared to become a firefighter for the Santa Barbara City Fire Department. When it comes to helping others in our community with great service and dedication, the SBFD only wants the best of the best.