WASHINGTON COUNTY VOLUNTEER FIRE AND RESCUE ASSOCIATION

The regular monthly meeting of the Association was held on December 21, 2017 at Eng 4, hosted by Co. 75.

The meeting was called to order by President Sprecher at 1900. Chaplain Horst led the prayer and Pledge. All companies except Co. 59 were present. All officers except the Assistant Treasurer and Chaplain were present.

GUESTS:

Dave Hays, DFBS: reported: A. the VFIS report, version 3, has been received and is being reviewed. The study could be ready for review by the members after the first of the year. B. the budget is being worked on. Multiple County Departments and the Board of Education are looking for increases and we may not receive any large increases. C. Firefighter Staffing - Phase 1 is in the hiring stage. 5 people have been tested for the Firefighter 2 permanent positions and testing of the Firefighter 1's will follow. Some of the Special Operations part time personnel have attended familiarization of County Volunteer equipment at Station 8. D. The 2016 Senator Amoss reporting is complete. Reimbursement of 2017 funds has started. The 2018 funds should be available early in the year.

Morgan Kotanko, Fire Prevention Queen was introduced. She is a Fire Sprinkler Tech and a member of Company 10.

MINUTES: The minutes were accepted as distributed.

TREASURER'S REPORT The Treasurer's report is on pages 3-5.

CHAPLAIN'S REPORT: The Chaplain reported: A. In hospital: Bill King and Ernie Truxx. B. Charlie Shindle is progressing at home. His Address is 11020 Coffman Ave., Hagerstown, MD 21740. C. Several members of the Chaplains Committee attended a meeting at the Orleans Fire Company to assist the Alleghany County Association establish a Chaplains Committee.

OFFICER AND COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Budget: the 2018-2019 Budget was presented at the November meeting. Co. 9 made a motion to accept the budget as presented. The motion was seconded and passed on a voice vote.

Career Tech Education: Jimmy Sprecher reported that 20 students started and 2 have been removed for academic reasons. The current students are working well as a team and doing well academically.

Chief Officers: Minutes on pages 23-27.

EMS: Steve Barnhart will be Chairman of the Committee. The Committee is requesting County staffing of Squads 59 and 79.

ESOP: A draft copy of the study, version 3 has been received and it will be reviewed by ESAC, DFBS AND WCVFRA.

Fire Police: A. Several members will be put on probation for lack of attendance. B. There are about 20 vacancies currently available.
WCVFRA
December 21, 2017

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LOSAP: Skip reported: A. Email sent to all Presidents to have Company Officers information sent or updated with the Association as soon as possible. All delegates must be sent to the Association before the January Association meeting or the Company will not be able to vote.

B. Volunteer Data Form MUST have an email address to receive a state number.

C. LOSAP- End of Year processing happens on Thursday, January 11 at midnight. All information must be received to be processed. Forms will be distributed on January 15-19 at the Association Office to a sworn LOSAP Coordinator between 0815-1400. They will also be available 1730-1845 at the Leistersburg Fire Company Activity Center before the January Association meeting. Again a sworn LOSAP Coordinator must pick up the forms.

Recruitment and Retention: Nicole reported: A. Kaplan University is offering discounts for WCVFRA members and their families. B. 599 people have been recruited since 2014. C. Training and Education information available in packet.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. No new business presented

NEW BUSINESS:

A. Officers for 2018-2019 were sworn in.

REMARKS FOR THE GOOD OF THE ASSOCIATION

A. Rick Blair is running for President of MSFA 2018-2019. If you are interested in serving on a Committee contact him.

B. Dale is looking for Committee members for Association committees for 2018-2019.

C. Please supply email addresses for all delegates.

D. President Sprecher thanked everyone for their assistance and support for the past six years.

E. Jason reminded everyone that remarks about race and gender have no place in our organization.


Respectfully submitted,

Sam Murray, Secretary
Emergency Services Advisory Council
Washington County, Maryland

REGULAR MEETING

Date: Thursday, December 7, 2017

Attending: R. David Hays, Director, Emergency Services, Ex-Officio
Dale Hill, WCVFRA, Ex-Officio
Kingsley Poole, Chairman
Dick Hopkins, Co-Chairman
Oley Griffith, Chief, Boonsboro FD
Dwayne Lunsford, Citizen-at-Large
Ron Horn, Chief, Air Unit, Citizen-at-Large
Mike Reid, Chief, Clear Spring VFC, Citizen-at-Large
Brian Albert, Citizen-at-Large
Bonnie Keltner, Administrative Assistant

Absent: Paul Miller, Citizen-at-Large
Michael Hosier, Citizen-at-Large

Guests: Jonathan Hart, Asst. Dir. Fire Operations, DES
Ward Flegler, Assistant Chief, Smithsburg EMS
Steve Lohr, Chief, HFD
Wayne Keefer, County Commissioner, Ex-Officio
Mark Kopp, Chief, Community VFC
Kristin Aleshire, City Councilman, Ex-Officio

CALL TO ORDER:

Chairman Poole called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. Ron Horn, council member and
president of the Antietam Fire Co. welcomed the council members to his station and
introductions were made.

Minutes:
• MOTION: On a motion by Oley Griffith and seconded by Dick Hopkins, the ESAC
accepted the minutes of October 26, 2017 as presented. MOTION CARRIED.
Washington County, Maryland
Emergency Services Advisory Council Meeting
Thursday, December 7, 2017

Fire & Rescue High School Program Update – Kingsley Poole
- No meeting in December. We have 21/22 EMT students remaining in class. The next meeting will be held at the Washington County Board of Education on January 10th, 2018.

ESAC by-laws – Kingsley Poole
- Discussion on this issue will continue in the new year.

Community VFC, District 12 Update
- Chief Mark Kopp presented the report for the Community Volunteer Fire Company of District 12.

Comments
- Chairman Poole suggested having a brain storm session in the January meeting. Mike Reid said he doesn’t understand why all of the ESAC reports cannot be e-mailed to the council members in advance.
- County Commissioner Keefer suggested the council put their ideas together and meet with the commissioners either in January or February on a Tuesday during lunch.
- Bonnie is to send the ESAC group e-mail addresses for the council members.

Adjournment
- With no other business brought forward, a motion was made by Olen Griffith and seconded by Dwayne Lunsford to adjourn the meeting at 8:40pm. MOTION CARRIED.

Next Meeting:
- January 4, 2018 - 7pm
  Location:Funkstown Fire Dept., 2 South Westside Avenue, Funkstown

Respectfully submitted by,
Bonnie Keltner, Administrative Assistant
Washington County Div. of Emergency Services &
Kingsley Poole, ESAC Chairman
Enclosed is the Memorial Service form to submit your member’s name and picture for the 2017 Joint Maryland State Firemen’s Association and Ladies’ Auxiliary of the Maryland State Firemen’s Association Memorial Service. Please submit a copy of this form for each member along with a picture of the deceased member to be recognized. Picture should be of good quality, not smaller than 2 inches by 2 inches; and not larger than 8 inches by 10 inches. If other sizes must be submitted, please contact Chaplain Hetz at 410-873-2141 to determine suitability. Please print or type all information legibly.

Please note, by submitting this form, the individual responsible for its submittal authorizes publication of the Memorial information in the MSFA/LAMSFA Joint Memorial Service Program.

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MARYLAND STATE FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION
Representing the Volunteer Fire, Rescue and Emergency Medical Services Personnel
www.msfa.org

JOINT MEMORIAL SERVICE APPLICATION

NOTE: EACH MEMBER ENTRY REQUIRES AN INDIVIDUAL FORM.

To include a department’s member in the 2018 JOINT MEMORIAL SERVICE, please complete and mail this form by March 1, 2018. Please list the names of all members who have passed away during the last calendar year (January-December). Any listings not postmarked by March 1st, will have to be included in next year’s Joint Memorial Service due to the required preparation time for printing of the Memorial Book. It is requested that you submit a photograph, of good quality that is no smaller than 2”x2” and no larger than 8” x 10”. If possible, slides should be converted to prints.

All entries should be mailed to:
Chaplain Harry Hetz, 20818 Oak Grove Church Road, Bivalve, MD 21814

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What's New

Windows Apps Update

At the beginning of the month, we released a Windows app update for the phone, tablet, and PC. It has some great new features like non-emergency messages, editing map markers, and view and email the report logs for specific alerts. There were also a few other smaller features that we talk about in the blog, as well as, some more pictures showing where you can find these features. Please check out the blog post here:

Windows App Update Blog Post ->

Chat and Non-emergency Messaging in Android

We released a new Android version on December 12th, and it has some exciting new features such as chat, off duty but available, and non-emergency messages. The picture to the right points out where you can find the new chat feature in the app. For more details about these new features please check out the blog post below.

Android Blog Post ->

New iOS App Version Released on December 15th!

Windows and Android got new versions, so it was time for iOS as well.
Training Thursday Videos and Documents

We have been continuing with our Training Thursday video series, but this week we also added a map marker icon list as well! You now have a list of what the icons look like before you go to add them on the map data tab. You can access that document below as well as the videos that have been done since the last newsletter.

Groups Tab Video ->
NFIRS Codes Video ->
Map Scale Factor Video ->
Non-emergency Messaging Video ->
Map Marker Icon PDF ->

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2018 Regional Training Scholarship Opportunities

The International Critical Incident Stress Foundation (ICISF) is excited to announce a total of eight (8) scholarship opportunities for individuals towards Regional Trainings throughout 2018.

For this round of scholarships, we are offering three (3) scholarships for Regional Training's.

The specific dates, locations and courses being offered at each Regional Training can be found on our Academy of Crisis Intervention Scholarship page.

Learn More About Regional Training Scholarships

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

- DEADLINE for scholarship applications is Monday, February 5, 2018 at 5:00 p.m. EST (NO EXCEPTIONS)

Refer to the application process below for a list of the supporting documents needed (i.e., recommendation letter, 3 professional/personal references, etc.).

**Make sure to email us a complete application (including supporting documentation) as incomplete applications will not be considered.**

- If any question does not apply to you in the application please put N/A in the space.
- You will be notified by phone or e-mail in a few weeks after the deadline regarding the status of your application. Please have patience with ICISF as our office may be closed due to inclement weather this time of year.
- If you have any questions about the scholarship program or application process, please refer to the Scholarship FAQ's page first, then contact the Scholarship Coordinator, Kelly Hall at: (410) 750-9600, ext. 107 or email scholarship@icisf.org with any additional questions.

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service.
- Applicant must specify reasoning for financial assistance through scholarship program.
- Applicant must specify ICISF online course or regional training requested.
- Applicant must complete and submit a Scholarship Application by Monday, February 5, 2018 at 5:00 p.m. EST (No Exceptions)

Apply for a Regional Training Scholarship

ACADEMY OF CRISIS INTERVENTION SCHOLARSHIP FUND

PURPOSE
The purpose of the Academy of Crisis Intervention Scholarship Fund is to assist individuals who are unable to attend ICISF training due to financial constraints, the opportunity to attend either an ICISF Regional Training Course or ICISF Online Course scheduled for 2018. The scholarship will only cover registration costs and course materials (textbooks) for one course and does not include any travel or lodging expenses for those traveling to attend the selected training. This scholarship doesn’t include any Approved Instructor Candidate Program courses.

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE
Financial Assistance is based on financial need of the applicant, their participation in work or volunteer-based Critical Incident Stress Management resources, and whether the participant has participated in any ICISF courses in the past.

SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS
The International Critical Incident Stress Foundation (ICISF) awards scholarships on the basis of a comprehensive process. Areas that are reviewed by the scholarship committee include, but are not limited to the following:

1) Applicant must be an active ICISF member in good standing.
2) Applicant must be involved in an occupation or industry that utilizes the ICISF model of Critical Incident Stress Management (CISM) or in a community/provider service in an occupational field that utilizes CISM.
3) Two Letters of Reference citing relevance of requested ICISF training to the applicant's employment or volunteer service.
4) Financial need of the applicant.
SCHOLARSHIP APPLICANTS MUST PROVIDE:
• Completed application form.
• Two letters of reference from an employer or other community member citing the relevance of the ICISF training to the applicant’s employment or volunteer service.
• Three Professional/Personal References (all references may be contacted after the application deadline).

DEADLINE for the application is Monday, February 5, 2018 5:00 P.M. EST. Applications postmarked or received after this date will not be considered.

If you have any questions about our scholarship program, please refer to the Scholarship FAQ’s page before contacting us.

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2018 NVFC Training Summit Scholarship Application

The NVFC is pleased to offer scholarships to help offset the travel costs related to the Training Summit. Each individual requesting a scholarship must apply separately.

NVFC Training Summit
Friday, June 1, and Saturday, June 2, from 8am-4pm daily
Embassy Suites by Hilton Charlotte Concord Golf Resort & Spa
5400 John Q. Hammons Drive NW, Concord, NC 28027
*Find more information about the Summit at www.nvfc.org/summit.

2018 NVFC Training Summit scholarships provide:
- Reimbursement of up to $500.00 per person for transportation expenses, including round-trip airfare, cab/shuttle fare, and/or mileage
- Reimbursement of 2 nights hotel at the room block rate of $149 plus taxes/fees
- Waived registration fee ($75 value)
- Please note that attendees will be responsible for any additional expenses (such as additional room nights or transportation above the stated $500 limit).

To apply, please provide the requested information in the form below. Applications will be reviewed on a monthly basis:
Received by January 1 - Notifications by January 20
Received by February 1 - Notifications by February 20
Received by March 1 - Notifications by March 20
Received by April 1 - Notifications by April 20

Criteria:
- To be considered eligible for reimbursement, you or your department must be a current member of the NVFC. Membership options and benefits can be found at www.nvfc.org/BeYourBest.
- Applicants are required to submit a letter of recommendation from a department leader.
- A maximum of two representatives per department can receive reimbursement. Please note that scholarships are selected on an individual basis; not by department.
- To allow more first responders the opportunity to attend, applicants who have received a scholarship for the previous three Summits will not be eligible for 2018.

Questions? Contact Rachel Buczynski, Event Planner, at rachel@nvfc.org or 571-969-7590.

- Name *
  
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- Title

- Organization/Department *
• City *

• State *

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• I represent (check all that apply): *
  
  - Volunteer Firefighter
  - Volunteer EMS
  - Paid Firefighter/EMS
  - Fire Corps
  - Member
  - Chief
  - Other Fire Department Personnel
  - Other (if "other," please describe below)

• Other:

• What is your NVFC Membership status?  
(To be eligible for the scholarship, you MUST be a member at the time your application is received.) *

  - I am an Individual Member
  - My department is a Department Member

• Please describe why you need travel assistance. *

  
  

• Please describe why you would like to attend this training and the benefit to yourself and your community, using statistics and data when available. How will it benefit your department? Will you be able to share information with other firefighters or other departments in your area? Do you have support from leadership to attend this training? Does your department face any specific needs or challenges that would benefit from you attending a national health and safety training? *
- Please upload a letter of recommendation from a Chief or other department/city leadership. You may also fax letters to 202-887-5291 if needed.
- Name of Person Providing Nomination Letter *

- Email of Person Providing Nomination Letter *
WASHINGTON COUNTY VOLUNTEER FIRE & RESCUE ASSOCIATION
Chief’s Committee Meeting Minutes
October 25, 2017

Members in Attendance

NOTE: The sign-in sheet was not returned after the meeting; therefore, I did not have a list of each attendee. The companies listed in attendance are based on responses during roll-call.

Eric Fraley - Chair
Dale Hill - WCVFRA
Jonathan Hart - DES
Dave Chisholm - DES
Dave Hays - DES
Alan Crawford - DES
Sam Anderson - DES

Companies 2, 9, 11, 16, 25, 26, 27, 49, 75, 79. Rehab 255 and Eng. 2

Business:

• The meeting was called to order at 1930.
• Minutes from last month’s meeting were approved.

Guests: Crawford introduced Bud Gudmundson, GIS Manager for Wash. Co. to discuss Next Generation 911 (see attachments.) Per Crawford, their phone system is ready for this; could accept texts if Maryland had contract bid, but we’re not there yet with the whole state. Frederick is using this, but they are the pilot program for this and only on a handful of calls. This will be a long-term project. Per Gudmundson, the first step will be to draw the boundaries of Washington Co. more accurately (may or may not be actual legal boundary of the county.) The second step will be to make sure all road names are correct. Next Gen 911 will use road names and address ranges on these roads as the primary locator. The County has already identified some problems with addresses in the county. Many of the issues are in the towns and the county doesn’t have jurisdiction over the towns, so he asked for the company’s support in talking with their town council. They would like County Commissioners’ support in talking to town councils about having one addressing authority; towns need to coordinate through County Planning Dept. to avoid duplication. He also asked companies to identify how these errors affect them and the severity of the problem. Any questions, contact Crawford.
Reports:
- Company reports
- WCVFRA Report
  A. Sprecher—thanked everyone who helped on the City fire yesterday. Noted Chappy has been attending meetings, talking about the functions of the chaplains. Sprecher was notified of a young person who had difficulty dealing with the fire/loss of life. He made a call and a chaplain was there within 20 minutes.
  B. Hill—None
  C. Blair—None
  D. Hemphill—None
  E. Moncrief—None
  F. Chaplains—None
- Washington County Division of Emergency Services:
  - Director’s Report (Hays)
    o Jason Kline did training with 2 HFD FF’s who will help implement a global box card rewrite of HFD box card structure.
    o Chief Ball asked about information provided at last week’s Assoc. meeting; we got to the end of a grant period and had a small amount of grant funds that we needed to designate for something. We have initiated the purchase of a block of Fire Mobile licenses. We plan to ensure we have Fire Mobile in every station in the county. This will allow communications platform in the station without installing full county network in every station. Ball asked about his dept., who already bought a station version; they will still get one of the licenses. Because they bought it, they will be able to deploy the license. Don’t know where the county will be in supporting this long-term at the volunteer dept. level. This will be part of the budget discussion. It is a possibility if you want to maintain this, you will have to pick up the annual maintenance cost, which is about $149/yr.
    o Budgets—as you think of things that may be of benefit for your department, now is the time to have those conversations with your elected leadership or division staff. CIP budget is due by 12/31 and operating budget is due by 01/31.
    o In-station alerting—we currently have four test sites where the hardware is installed. Wireless Communications have been working through an internet based solution for in-station alerting system. Still uses existing technologies; it just takes receiving platform from radio to internet. This should eliminate interference. Currently, Wireless Communications is covering the cost for those test sites. We need to upgrade one of our radio versions thorough Motorola in March, 2018. Goal is their budgets will cover upgrades at all of the stations, secondary is if theirs won’t, DES will try to get in their budget and approved and if not, not sure what will happen. Hays feels it should be a county issue, but that doesn’t mean he will win that argument.
    o In the process of ordering two new vehicles. Discussed with the Assoc. the intent to surplus two of the 4-WD vehicles that are serviceable to the Safety
Officer group. This is all contingent on County Administrator signing off on this. If any others are available to surplus, will determine what route to take. Ball asked if as in the past, companies would be able to submit a letter to request the surplus vehicles. Hays will take into consideration.

- Sen. Amos reporting deadline was Oct. 20. Hays will send an email to all companies to advise who has/has not submitted.
- Scheduled for Oct. 31 to present the FF Staffing Plan to the Commissioners – the Administrator reviewed today and he gave his blessing.
- Beginning to have discussions relative to global radio system and the system buses. Will look into true system load; have we created a fleet map that causes these issues? Is it an issue with talk-group prioritization – currently all 9 channels available for the public radio system are shared by all county departments that are on the system and they’re all shared equally. Our radios have no priority over public works, landfill, etc. We may need to have those discussions as a radio user group and make recommendation to County Administrator to prioritize groups.
  - Director of Emergency Management (Summers) – None
  - Asst. Director of Fire Operations (Hart) – None
  - Deputy Director of EMS Operations (Chisholm)
    - The 50/50 grants are still open; have to be turned in by 11/14.
    - Email went out for medical review vacancies – EMT, CRT, paramedic and EMR.
    - Flu shots are in; will deliver to your members. Contact Kelly.
  - Medical Director (Dr. Martin) – None
  - Deputy Director of Communication (Crawford)
    - Reiterated that Next Gen 911 is a huge project that will take years to complete.
    - There were some non-emergency phone problems yesterday, which stemmed from the Hagerstown issues.
    - Fraley asked for confirmation on number to call for controlled burns. Per Crawford: 240-313-4345.
  - Director of Training and Quality Control (Lewis) – None
  - Emergency Planner (Anderson)
    - Towpath calls were updated.
    - River box cards were completed and were sent up to Jason last Friday. Fraley asked if anything changed. Per Anderson, 4 boats, Engine Company, Special Ops, EMS, and EMS Supervisor. Squads were removed, except for Eng. Co. 5 who requested squad 59. Per Fraley, this should go to Standard’s Comm. because of running assignments.
    - Charlie advised he received commissioner approval for a new grant this year, which is where Anderson requested approval for the new set of Blue Card Incident Command System Licenses. Will reach out to the companies on the waiting list.
- Turn-out gear distribution — still have Co. 12 and City Eng. 2 to get out. Waiting on quotes for turn-out gear turned in to get inspected/cleaned, so they can become the extra gear.
- Distributed July, August and September stats along with quarterly stats.

- Committee Reports:
  A. Safety Officer (Prather) - None
  B. Standards Committee (Lowman) - None
  C. Safety Committee (Prather) - None
  D. Training Committee (Eckstine) - None
  E. EMS Committee (Buck/Fleger) - None

Old Business: None

New Business
- We will combine the November and December meetings.

NOTE: The next meeting will be December 13, at 1930. Please submit any agenda items to Chief Fraley by December 10, 2017.

The meeting was adjourned at 2017.

Respectfully submitted,
Sandy Cummings
Funkstown Volunteer Fire Company

Attachments:
Next Generation 911 Information
MD Assoc. of Counties – Advancing Maryland Next-Generation 911 Systems
Stats: July 2017, August 2017, September 2017 and quarterly
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% of Driver Only of Light Responses: 46.7%

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Advancing Maryland Next-Generation 9-1-1 Systems

Maryland citizens demand and expect 9-1-1 emergency service to be reliable and efficient. Next-generation technology is required to keep up with this increasingly complex public safety function—improving wireless caller location, accommodating incoming text/video, and managing crisis-driven call overflows. Maryland must accelerate its move toward Next Generation 9-1-1, deliver these essential services equitably across the state, and assure effective coordination with communications providers. MACo urges a concerted statewide effort to guide this critical transition, harnessing the expertise and needs of front-line county managers.

Task Force to Advance Next Generation 9-1-1 across Maryland

The Task Force will look at the strategic aspects of NG9-1-1 implementation in coordination with the ENSB’s existing efforts, particularly ensuring that those areas outside of the statutory responsibilities of the ENSB are addressed. The Task Force will study and make recommendations for the implementation, funding, governance, and ongoing development of NG9-1-1 to the Governor and Maryland General Assembly.

- Created through legislation (or potentially Governor’s Executive Order)
- Membership centered on PSAP directors/leadership, with ENSB, related county services and legislative representation
- December 2018 deliverables to the General Assembly:
  - Review of anticipated costs of deploying Next Generation 911 service statewide
  - Assessment of current financing system, timetable to deploy with current resources
  - Recommendations on appropriate means to support efficient statewide deployment
  - Recommendations on suitable uses of state ENSB funding by local PSAPs
- December 2019 deliverables to the General Assembly:
  - Recommendation on structure for continued governance through ENSB
  - Recommendation on appropriate venue for PSAP interchange and strategy
  - Additional forward-looking changes for long-term implementation

Companion Legislation – Public Safety Parity for PSAP Employees

- Legislation to authorize counties to designate PSAP employees as eligible for various benefits currently available to specific classes of public safety employees—law enforcement, fire and rescue, and correctional officers.
### Next Generation 911 Information

![Diagram showing the evolution of 911 information over decades: 1968, 1980's, 1990's, 2000's.](image)

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### Today's 9-1-1 versus NG9-1-1

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<td>Virtually all calls are voice callers via telephones over analog lines.</td>
<td>Voice, text, or video information, from many types of communication devices, sent over IP networks</td>
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<td>Most information transferred via voice</td>
<td>Advanced data sharing is automatically performed</td>
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<td>Physical location of PSAP becomes immaterial, callers routed automatically based on geographic location, enhanced backup abilities</td>
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<td>Limited ability to handle overflow situations, callers could receive a busy signal</td>
<td>PSAPs able to control call congestion treatment, including dynamically rerouting callers</td>
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The Need For NG9-1-1

- Today's 9-1-1 system is being outpaced by emerging technologies
  - Constant adaptation of old 9-1-1 infrastructure is expensive and slow
  - New communications technologies need "plug and play" access and interfaces
  - Growing data rich environment – 9-1-1 can't handle
  - Need data bandwidth, modernized network (IP), open standards

Core Purposes of NG9-1-1

- Utilize broadband-enabled, IP-based technologies to fully replace E9-1-1 system with all core functionalities and capabilities of current E9-1-1 system
- Add capabilities to support 9-1-1 access in multiple formats for all current/emerging originating service providers in secure environment
- Add increased flexibility for PSAPs/9-1-1 governing authorities
- Add capabilities to enable interoperable information sharing with all organizations involved in emergency response (including shared infrastructure/services)
18:30 meeting called to order

- Richard Prather called for a moment of silence for Dixie who was unable to attend due to illness.

- Meeting minutes tabled until the end of the meeting.

- Safety Round Table
  - Dick Hopkins brought up the new hoods need to be laundered. Advised he learned at Instructor Development Conference that the new hoods are being found to have metals in the hoods that it needs washed before use.
  - Dick Hopkins brought up that they learned that some of the wipes being used may be pushing the materials on the skin into the skin. The committee will look into this further.
  - Steve Mohlbrought up road conditions around the area that are deterioration along the edges. The edges are giving away.
  - Doug Snow reminded everyone to clean the salt and grime from under the units when returning. Hancock is having work done to two of the units due to severe rusting underneath the units from this.
  - Harry Gossard brought up issues that Sharpsburg EMS had with repairs they had done and the company that did the work used shotty parts. FYI
  - Harry Gossard also put out as a reminder the section of Lime Kiln Road off Harpersferry Road is unsafe and deteriorating.
  - William King brought up the issue of Companies not wearing PPE conducting Extrication Demos. It was concerning that it was a safety demo for the public.
  - Dick Hopkins brought up the safety issue that operators need to closely inspect their units after near missed where units almost have accidents or have minor ones.

- Richard Prather Report-
  - VFIS Training Video on Backing. Going to look at making copies of the video to distribute to the companies.
  - Insurance Company Upset with Reporting... We are currently above 7 days in reporting the 1st report of injury. The Insurance Company wants this resolved. Richard suggests that the Safety Officers must be notified of all reportable 1st reports of injuries. Current responsibility falls on the Chief Officers and Incident Commanders within the departments. Richard feels getting the Safety Officer involved gives them a primary point man that will have all contact info of all parties involved.
  - Training Updates.... DES looking into ICS 300 & 400 classes.
  - Fire Police... It was announce the Safety Committee has nothing to do with Fire Police and that comes down from the Washington County Sheriff Department. The Safety Committee has no say over any Fire Police Operations per the Sheriff. Any issues they have needs to be addressed through the Sheriff and it was suggested that they look at their own bylaws to begin with. Fire Police issues will no longer be brought up at the Safety Committee Meetings.
Safety Committee Meeting Minutes November 2016
November 8th 2016 @ VFC of Halfway Co.26

- Rehab 255... What is the new tent with walls?
  - William King advised the pop-up tents they have do have walls that can be attached and they have a cheap ceramic heater to try and utilize in cold weather. Was asked about how it is secured and the rehab purchased sandbags to use for the tents.
    - It was suggested to utilize the screw in dog stakes to secure the tent.
  - William King also advised the revised Rehab Standard should be going to the Association for a vote.

- OLD BUSINESS (No Report)

- NEW BUSINESS (No Report)

- FOR THE GOOD OF THE COMMITTEE
  - Harry Gossard may be laid up due to surgery on his knee.
  - Doug Snow advised Company 5 applied for a grant to purchase two Arrow Boards for on the apparatus.
  - Concerns brought up by everyone on the use of LED Lights and their brightness. Some of the LED White Lights are drowning out the emergency lights on some of the units.
  - Steve Mohl advised Wild Land 8 soon to be designated and Company 6 has signed contract for their new Engine.
  - FYI- County Medics are now running on Company 8’s Engine. Company 4 is not yet in effect.
  - FYI- Children’s Village is hiring instructions

- MEETING MINUTES BROUGHT UP FOR APPROVAL
  - Doug Snow Motioned to approve minutes and 2nd by Steve Mohl, Unanimous Vote to approve.

- Motion to adjourn by Bob Moncrief and 2nd by Steve Mohl, Unanimous vote at 19:25 hours.

Minutes submitted by: William C. King
Washington County Volunteer Fire & Rescue Association  
EMS Committee  
Meeting Minutes – September 27, 2017

Members Present:

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Others in Attendance: Kevin Demmons, Rick Blair

The September 2017 meeting of the WCVFRA EMS Committee was called to order at 1805 hours by Chairperson Ward Fieger.

A motion was made by Gary Hoffman (2) to approve the August 2017 meeting minutes as written. The motion was seconded by Steph Stellard (49). The motion passed by unanimous vote.

Meritus Medical Center (Kelly Llewellyn)
- Doey’s house will be opening soon. Kelly is working with them to emphasize that EMS will not transport there.

DES Director
- No Report

EMS Operations (Dave Chisholm)
- U Cap It Machine
  - We are working out logistical issues.
  - Case of end tidal nasal cannulas = $1,199 and we have used 218 cannulas to date ($2,613.82)
- 50/50 Grants
  - Applications are out to the companies. Thus far, only Williamsport has put in an application.
- EMS 1811 move to Clear Spring
  - Working on response areas
- Narcan for EMR
  - No longer an optional protocol (we had been approved for this)
  - Any company wanting training, speak with Kevin
- 12 Lead for EMT
  - We will be applying for this optional protocol
  - Allows BLS providers to obtain and transmit a 12 Lead EKG when they are functioning on a BLS unit.
- PEPP Course
  - 10/3/2017 at DES
Emergency Communications Center
- No Report

Fire Operations
- No Report

Emergency Management (Charlie Summers)
- No Report

Medical Director Report
- Will be meeting with the Vice Chair of the ED Physician group regarding EMS. She will try and clarify our capabilities as there are a number of new physicians that may not be familiar with Maryland EMS.

MIESS Report
- Looking to hold a Region II conference and looking for help.

Old Business
- Telestaff
  - No update

New Business
- None

Department Reports
Company 2
- No Report
Company 19
- No Report
Company 25
- No Report
Company 49
- No Report
Company 59
- No Report
Company 69
- No Report
Company 75
- No Report
Company 79
- Ice Cream Social being held this Saturday

HFD
- No Report

A motion was made by Gary Hoffman (2) and seconded by Steph Stellard (49). Motion passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned by Ward Fleger at 1820 hours. The next meeting will be held at DES on Wednesday, October 25th beginning at 1800 hours.
NEWS RELEASE

For Immediate Release:  
January 2, 2018  

Contact:  
Katie Lawson  
301-405-4621

UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND ANNOUNCES APPOINTMENT OF NEW DIRECTOR FOR THE MARYLAND FIRE AND RESCUE INSTITUTE

College Park, MD (January 2, 2018) — The University of Maryland announced today the appointment of Michael F. Cox, Jr., as the new Director of the Maryland Fire and Rescue Institute (MFRI) after a nationwide search. Cox replaces Steven T. Edwards whose retirement begins January 5, 2018.

Headquartered at the University of Maryland, MFRI is the state’s comprehensive training and education system for emergency services. The institute plans, researches and delivers high quality, state of the art programs that enhance the ability of emergency service providers to protect, life, property and the environment. MFRI employs 65 full-time faculty and staff positions supported by more than 700 state-certified instructors who deliver programs at six statewide regional training facilities, as well as site specific locations.

“I commend Steve Edwards on his quarter century of excellence in guiding and preparing Maryland first responders to be among the best in the country and around the world,” said University of Maryland President Wallace D. Loh. “In our search for a new Director, we determined that Michael Cox was the right emergency services leader to continue the level of quality training and continue to move MFRI forward.”

Cox has been a MFRI employee and management team member since January of 2015.

“I want to thank President Loh for this tremendous opportunity, and I look forward to working in an innovative and collaborative fashion with the MFRI faculty and staff to continue to provide world class programs and customer service that the agency is known for nationally, and internationally,” said Cox. “Director Edwards has been a mentor to many people over the years and has contributed greatly to our profession. I am honored to serve in this role and look forward to building on his accomplishments.”

At age 16, Cox began his career in the fire service at the Woodland Beach Volunteer Fire Department in Edgewater, Maryland where he remains a life member. At age 20, Cox accepted a career position within the Anne Arundel County Fire Department. Throughout his 27-year career, Cox worked in virtually every bureau and division in the Department. Cox ultimately advanced through the ranks to become the Department’s tenth Fire Chief where he led a combination force of more than 1,400 career and volunteer personnel serving a population of more than 550,000.

During his time as Anne Arundel County Fire Chief, Cox worked on numerous new initiatives to address critical issues facing the department, including the enhancement of responder and citizen
safety, the correction of substandard insurance service office ratings in multiple areas of Anne Arundel County, the improvement of 911 call processing times and work flows, the development of a diversity recruitment plan, and the enhancement of communications with volunteer and career associations and groups within the department.

Cox earned an associate’s degree in emergency medical services from Anne Arundel Community College; a bachelor’s degree in fire science from the University of Maryland University College, and a master’s degree in executive fire service leadership from Grand Canyon University. Cox also is a graduate of the United States Fire Administration’s Executive Fire Officer Program and has been designated as a Chief Fire Officer from the Center for Public Safety Excellence. Additionally, Cox holds national and state certifications as a fire officer, an emergency medical technician paramedic and an emergency services instructor. Cox is also a graduate of Leadership Anne Arundel’s 2015 Flagship Program and Leadership Maryland Class of 2017.

Cox has been a resident of Anne Arundel County for the last 36 years and currently resides in Edgewater with his daughter Megan and his son Michael.
MEMORANDUM

To: All Allegany, Garrett and Washington County Emergency Services Departments

From: Todd Dyche, Coordinator
     Western Maryland Regional Training Center

Subject: Fall 2018 Class Requests

Date: January 12, 2018

It is time again to start planning for the fall 2018 training schedule. Please take some time to determine your training needs for the fall semester and indicate your request on the attached list. If you request a class, we ask that you have students who are willing to enroll in that class. Please complete the survey and return it by March 30th to the appropriate contact below:

Garrett County
   Doug Beitzel
   Garrett County Career Technology Training Center
   116 Industrial Park Drive
   Accident, MD 21520

Allegany County
   Chief Tim Dayton
   311 Spruce St.
   Westernport, MD 21562

Washington County
   Chief Jason Eckstine
   19307 Longmeadow Road
   Hagerstown, MD 21742

Completed surveys may also be faxed to the WMRTC at 301.729.6146 or emailed to dsklodowski@mfri.org.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact the Regional Training Center at 301.729.0431, 888.691.6143, fax 301.729.6146 or by e-mail at dsklodowski@mfri.org. Thank you for your support.

TD/dls
Maryland Fire and Rescue Institute
Western Maryland Regional Training Center

FY-2019 Fall Class Requests
(for classes starting between July 1, 2018 and December 31, 2018)

Department Name: ________________________________________________

Name of person completing survey: __________________________________

Below is the list of specialty courses that you may request. Please check the appropriate box for each course you are interested in hosting and return this form by March 30, 2018 to the appropriate contact listed on the attached memorandum.

☐ Fire Inspector I (MGMT-204) 36 Hours
  M  T  W  Th  F  Sat  Sun Starting  /__/__/__

☐ Fire Inspector II (MGMT-205) 30 Hours
  M  T  W  Th  F  Sat  Sun Starting  /__/__/__

☐ Fire Inspector III (MGMT-302) 30 Hours
  M  T  W  Th  F  Sat  Sun Starting  /__/__/__

☐ Fire Officer IV (MGMT-401) 60 Hours
  M  T  W  Th  F  Sat  Sun Starting  /__/__/__

☐ Hazardous Materials Technician (HM-201) 60 Hours
  M  T  W  Th  F  Sat  Sun Starting  /__/__/__

☐ Rescue Technician – Confined Space Rescue (RES-202) 33 Hours
  M  T  W  Th  F  Sat  Sun Starting  /__/__/__

☐ Rescue Technician – Swiftwater Rescue Technician (RES-213) 48 Hours
  M  T  W  Th  F  Sat  Sun Starting  /__/__/__

☐ Rescue Technician – Structural Collapse (RES-209) 84 Hours (Additional associated cost and must be coordinated with the county special operations teams.)
  M  T  W  Th  F  Sat  Sun Starting  /__/__/__

☐ Rescue Technician – Technical Rope Rescue (RES-205) 54 Hours
  M  T  W  Th  F  Sat  Sun Starting  /__/__/__

☐ Rescue Technician – Trench Rescue Operations (RES-206) 30 Hours
  M  T  W  Th  F  Sat  Sun Starting  /__/__/__
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☐ Aircraft Rescue Firefighter (FIRE-230) 48 Hours
   M T W Th F Sat Sun Starting __/__/____

☐ Active Assailant Awareness (MGMT-155) Online
   M T W Th F Sat Sun Starting __/__/____

☐ Aerial Apparatus Operator/Truck Company Operations
   (FIRE-114) 27 Hours
   M T W Th F Sat Sun Starting __/__/____

☐ Arson Detection for First Responders (FIRE-122) 13 Hours
   M T W Th F Sat Sun Starting __/__/____

☐ Command and Control of Wildland Urban Interface Fire Operations for the Structural Chief Officer (MGMT-303)
   14 Hours
   M T W Th F Sat Sun Starting __/__/____

☐ Command and General Staff Functions for Local Incident Management Teams - NFA (MGMT-402) 36 Hours
   M T W Th F Sat Sun Starting __/__/____

☐ Conducting Safe Live Fire Training Exercises (MGMT-215)
   12 Hours
   M T W Th F Sat Sun Starting __/__/____

☐ Courage To Be Safe (FIRE-139) 4 Hours
   M T W Th F Sat Sun Starting __/__/____

☐ Curbside Manner: Stress First Aid for the Street – NFF
   (MGMT-158) 4 Hours
   M T W Th F Sat Sun Starting __/__/____

☐ Decision-Making for Initial Company Operations (FIRE-137)
   14 Hours
   M T W Th F Sat Sun Starting __/__/____

☐ Domestic Wellness Coordinator (MGMT-152) 14 Hours
   M T W Th F Sat Sun Starting __/__/____

☐ Emergency Medical Responder (EMS-105) 72 Hours
   M T W Th F Sat Sun Starting __/__/____

☐ Emergency Medical Responder Refresher (EMS-207) 15 Hours
   M T W Th F Sat Sun Starting __/__/____

☐ Emergency Medical Services: Functions in the Incident Command System (MGMT-154) 15 Hours
   M T W Th F Sat Sun Starting __/__/____

☐ Emergency Medical Services Officer I (MGMT-203) 48 Hours
   M T W Th F Sat Sun Starting __/__/____

☐ Emergency Medical Services Quality Management - NFA
   (MGMT-157) 36 Hours
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Incident Safety Officer (MGMT-129) 16 Hours
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Instructor I (MGMT-110) 33 Hours
M T W Th F Sat Sun Starting __/__/____

Instructor II (MGMT-210) 36 Hours
M T W Th F Sat Sun Starting __/__/____

Introduction to Unified Command for Multi-Agency and Catastrophic Incidents (MGMT-121) 14 Hours
M T W Th F Sat Sun Starting __/__/____

Leadership, Accountability, Culture and Knowledge (LACK) (MGMT-224) 4 Hours
M T W Th F Sat Sun Starting __/__/____

Leadership I: Strategies for Company Success (MGMT-130) 12 Hours
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Leadership II: Strategies for Personal Success (MGMT-131) 12 Hours
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Leadership III: Strategies for Supervisory Success (MGMT-132) 12 Hours
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New Fire Chief I: Challenging Issues (MGMT-257) 12 Hours
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New Fire Chief II: Administrative Issues (MGMT-258) 14 Hours
M T W Th F Sat Sun Starting __/__/____

New Fire Chief III: Contemporary Issues (MGMT-259) 14 Hours
M T W Th F Sat Sun Starting __/__/____

NIMS ICS-300, Intermediate ICS for Expanding Incidents for Operational First Responders (MGMT-263) 18 Hours
M T W Th F Sat Sun Starting __/__/____

NIMS ICS-400, Advanced ICS for Command and General Staff, Complex Incidents and MACS for Operations First Responders (MGMT-264) 16 Hours
M T W Th F Sat Sun Starting __/__/____

Personal Protective Equipment and SCBA (FIRE 099) 8 Hours
M T W Th F Sat Sun Starting __/__/____

Politics and the White Helmet (MGMT-297) 16 Hours
M T W Th F Sat Sun Starting __/__/____

Preparation for Initial Company Operations (FIRE-133) 12 Hours
M T W Th F Sat Sun Starting __/__/____

Public Fire and Life Safety Educator I (FIRE-111) 18 Hours
M T W Th F Sat Sun Starting __/__/____

Pump Operator (FIRE-113) 36 Hours
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Rescue Technician – Site Operations (RES-101) 27 Hours
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Rescue Technician – Vehicle and Machinery Extrication (RES-210) 27 Hours
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Shaping the Future (MGMT-138) 16 Hours
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Strategy and Tactics for Initial Company Operations (FIRE-124) 12 Hours
M T W Th F Sat Sun Starting ___/___/___

Traffic Incident Management (FIRE-132) 8 Hours
M T W Th F Sat Sun Starting ___/___/___

Truck Company Fireground Operations (FIRE-202) 24 Hours
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Volunteer Company Leadership and Administration (MGMT-225) 12 Hours
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Wildland Urban Interface Firefighting for Structural Company Officer (FIRE-233) 14 Hours
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Youth Firesetting Prevention and Intervention I (FIRE-138)
16 Hours
M T W Th F Sat Sun Starting ___/___/___

Youth Firesetting Prevention and Intervention II (FIRE-209)
16 Hours
M T W Th F Sat Sun Starting ___/___/___
Class Update in Washington County (note: may not reflect entire schedule)

Report Date: January 16, 2018

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1. Numbers in parentheses indicate total preregistered students
2. *red color, bold, and italicized font indicates additional enrollment needed for class to start
3. OOS = Out of State

Additional Information

See attached Course Request Sheets for 2018 fall semester.
This free series of regional Firefighters Grant Workshops is for all fire department and EMS personnel and will assist departments in preparing a successful Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program Application.

**FIREFIGHTERS GRANT PROGRAM WORKSHOPS**
All Workshops Conducted From 7 PM – 9 PM

- **January 23**
  - Tuesday
  - North Central Regional Office (NCRO), to be held at the Mt. Airy Volunteer Fire Company; Carnival Activities Bldg

- **January 24**
  - Wednesday
  - Northeast Regional Training Center (NERTC)

- **January 25**
  - Thursday
  - Upper Eastern Shore Regional Training Center (UESRTC), Centreville

- **January 29**
  - Monday
  - MFRI Headquarters, College Park

- **January 30**
  - Tuesday
  - Southern MD Regional Training Center (SMRTC), La Plata

- **January 31**
  - Wednesday
  - Western Maryland Regional Training Center (WMRTC), Cresaptown

- **February 1**
  - Thursday
  - Lower Eastern Shore Regional Training Center (LESRTC), Princess Anne

*Pre-Registration Is Not Required To Attend A Workshop*
Recruitment and Retention Update - Association Meeting 1/18/18

PICNIC - SAVE THE DATE 8/25/18 from 12-4 pm at Antietam Recreation, watch for more details
FREE Grant Workshop – Assistance to Firefighters Grant Workshop (see attached)

TRAINING/SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES:
- 1/20 Five Alarm Leadership and RIT Gone Wrong – see attached
- 1/25-28 Winterfest EMS – see attached
- 1/27-28 Beyond Helmets and Hoses in Prince George’s County – see attached
- 3/3-4 – Beyond Helmets and Hoses in Frederick – see attached
- 3/11-17 National Fire Service Staff and Command in Towson – see attached
- 4/20-21 International Association of Fire Chiefs Eastern Division Conference in Baltimore – see attached
- 4/23-28 FDIC in Indianapolis – see attached

Charles W Riley Firefighter and Ambulance/Rescue Squad Scholarship – see attached
Kenneth E Butts Memorial Scholarship (EMS) – see attached
J.R. Haines Memorial Scholarship (Fire) – see attached

KAPLAN UNIVERSITY ANNOUNCEMENT – For more info, please contact Nicole
33% discount on Undergrad programs for WCVFRA members and staff
20% discount for WCVFRA immediate family
All graduate degrees get 15% discount on tuition

Recruitment Report Update - Total members recruited since 2014 - 599
2017 (Jan-Oct) statistics for members recruited since the grant started in 2014

6,143 Answered Alarms
8,184 Hours of Standby
1,866 Hours of training (ie: MFRI)
1,104 Hours of in station training/drills

I encourage you to use every single public interaction as a recruitment opportunity whether that opportunity presents itself in the firehouse, on the fire scene or in the grocery store.

Respectfully submitted by: Nicole Stotelmyer, R & R Coordinator, WCVFRA
The International Association of Fire Chiefs
Volunteer Combination Officers Section and Volunteer Workforce
Solutions presents:

**Beyond Hoses & Helmets**

An officer leadership training course

**Current and Future Officers!**

Join the

Prince George's County Volunteer Fire & Rescue Association

Saturday January 27 and Sunday January 28
for FREE two-day officer leadership training.

This instructor taught course gives valuable insight to:

- Leadership techniques
- Recruitment and retention ideas
- Problem solving skills
- Training development
- Conflict resolution
- Principles of negotiations
- Effective communication techniques and much more!

"Beyond Hoses & Helmets is an absolute must for any volunteer or combination fire service leader! After 35 years in the volunteer fire service, I have had the opportunity to participate in many different leadership and motivational courses but EH&H ranks among the very best. If a fire chief has the desire to take his/her department to the next level, it will be the best 16 hours they could spend. I give it 5 stars! ★★★★★

- Fire Chief Spruce A. McRee, Brierfield (AL) Volunteer Fire & Rescue

Register online at
pgvfra.eventbrite.com

www.iafc.org
www.vcos.org

This course was brought to you by the continuous support of VCOS by Pierce Manufacturing. When researching new apparatus, please make contact with Pierce and let them know you heard about them at a VCOS "Beyond Hoses & Helmets" course.
Scholarship Opportunity

Would you like to attend the National Fire Service Staff & Command Course?

The Maryland Fire & Rescue Institute in cooperation with the International Association of Fire Chiefs will be holding their 2018 National Fire Service Staff & Command Course March 11-17, 2018 at the Sheraton Baltimore North, in Towson, Maryland. Attendees of the program will explore current and evolving concepts in fire/EMS service management, leadership, and administration. The Maryland Fire Chiefs Association (MFCA) Training Committee, with funds from the SAFER Grant, is sponsoring 12 scholarship opportunities for Maryland Fire Service Personnel to attend the conference. The scholarship will reimburse scholarship recipients $1,575 for the conference registration, which includes all class materials, morning and afternoon break refreshments, six nights of lodging and the banquet on the evening of March 16th.

The National Fire Service Staff & Command Course will identify and solve current management issues with leading fire service experts. Featuring nationally renowned fire service speakers, this intense five-day program provides in-depth analyses of current and evolving issues in the emergency services management. Participants will have the opportunity to discuss and debate major issues facing fire/EMS departments while learning from experts in the field. Topics include: Situational Awareness and Fireground Decision-Making Awareness, Organizational Change, Legal Considerations in Personnel Management, Current Issues Facing the Fire Service, Public Relations and Politics.

Scholarship recipients will be required to submit all of their receipts at the conclusion of the conference for reimbursement up to the eligible amount. In addition, as part of the reimbursement process, attendees will be required to provide the MFCA Training Committee with a one page synopsis of what they learned in the course and how they will share such information with their department and/or jurisdiction.

The MFCA Training Committee would like to encourage everyone to apply for this scholarship opportunity. If you are interested in applying for a scholarship to attend the National Fire Service Staff & Command Course, please complete the attached Scholarship Application and email it to training@mdchief.org. All completed and signed scholarship applications must be received by the MFCA Training Committee by no later than 5:00 PM on Friday, February 16, 2018.

Please refer any questions involving this scholarship opportunity to Chief Paul E. Sullivan, Jr. at psullivan@mdchief.org or Theresa Collins at mfca127@gmail.com.

Representing the Maryland Emergency Services Officers with Progression While Maintaining Tradition
Maryland Fire Chiefs Association
Training/Conference Scholarship Request

Scholarship Applicant Name: 

Address: 

City: State: Zip: 

Phone: Email: 

Current Member of the Maryland Fire Chiefs Association: Yes No 

Department Membership: 

Name of Chief Officer: 

Endorsement of Chief Officer (must be signed): 

Name of Training/Conference Program: National Fire Service Staff & Command Course 

Dates of Training: March 11-17, 2018 

If awarded a scholarship, will you: Commute daily to Towson, MD Utilize included hotel option 

Estimated costs: 

Registration: $ Per Diem: $ Other: $ 

Total estimated cost: $ 

No costs should be incurred by the individual until a determination of eligibility is made by the MFCA SAFER Oversight Committee. Any costs incurred prior to a decision by the Committee shall be at the member's own expense.

Applicant Signature: Date: 

Committee Use Only 

Committee Recommendation: Approved Disapproved 

Oversight Committee Decision: Approved Disapproved 

By: Date: 

Revised 8/2017
Scholarship Opportunity

Would you like to attend the Fire Department Instructor's Conference (FDIC)?

The Fire Department Instructor's Conference (FDIC) will be held on April 23-28, 2018 at the Indiana Convention Center in Indianapolis, Indiana. Attendees of the program will explore current and evolving concepts in fire/EMS service management, leadership, and administration. The Maryland Fire Chiefs Association (MFCA) Training Committee, with funds from the SAFER Grant, is sponsoring 10 scholarship opportunities for Maryland Fire Service Personnel to attend the conference. The scholarship will reimburse recipients up to $2700 for the conference registration, travel to and from Indianapolis, IN and hotel expenses (GSA rate of $119/night) along with a $54/day per diem.

The Fire Department Instructor’s Conference (FDIC) will allow attendees exclusive access to top experts, the ability to exchange ideas, participate in some of the most advanced hands-on training available and become familiar with the latest tools and equipment in the fire service. In addition, FDIC is the only international conference that inclusively address fire and EMS service issues.

FDIC features more than 160 educational sessions with almost 60% of such addressing leadership issues. Members who are in attendance of these classes will be afforded the opportunity to see what new and exciting technologies are being offered for the fire service. Upon returning from the conference, the attendees will be able to share the information that they gathered and learned with their respective departments. Sharing this information will allow their department the opportunity to enhance the day-to-day operations along with maximizing personnel safety.

Scholarship recipients will be required to submit all of their receipts at the conclusion of the conference for reimbursement up to the eligible amount. In addition, as part of the reimbursement process, attendees will be required to provide the MFCA Training Committee with a one page synopsis of what they learned in the course and how they will share such information with their department and/or jurisdiction.

The MFCA Training Committee would like to encourage everyone to apply for this scholarship opportunity. If you are interested in applying for a scholarship to attend the Fire Department Instructor's Conference (FDIC), please complete the attached Scholarship Application and email it to training@mdchief.org. All completed and signed scholarship applications must be received by the MFCA Training Committee by no later than 5:00 PM on Friday, February 9, 2018.

Please refer any questions involving this scholarship opportunity to Chief Paul E. Sullivan, Jr. at psullivan@mdchief.org or Theresa Collins at mfca127@gmail.com.

Representing the Maryland Emergency Services Officers with Progression While Maintaining Tradition
Scholarship Applicant Name: ________________________________

Address: ______________________________________________

City: __________________ State: ________ Zip: __________

Phone: __________________ Email: ______________________

Current Member of the Maryland Fire Chiefs Association: ☐ Yes ☐ No

Department Membership: __________________________________

Name of Chief Officer: ________________________________

Endorsement of Chief Officer (must be signed): __________________________

Name of Training/Conference Program: Fire Department Instructor's Conference (FDIC)

Dates of Training: ____________ April 23-28, 2018 ____________

Estimated costs:

Travel: $___________

Lodging: $___________

Registration: $___________

Transportation: $___________

Per Diem: $___________

Other: $___________

Total estimated cost: $___________

No costs should be incurred by the individual until a determination of eligibility is made by the MFCA SAFER Oversight Committee. Any costs incurred prior to a decision by the Committee shall be at the member’s own expense.

Applicant Signature: ____________________________ Date: ____________

Committee Use Only

Committee Recommendation: Approved ________ Disapproved ________

Oversight Committee Decision: Approved ________ Disapproved ________

By: ____________________________ Date: ____________________________

Revised 8/2017
Scholarship Opportunity

Would you like to attend the Eastern Division IAFC 2018 Annual Conference?

The Eastern Division of the International Association of Fire Chiefs (EDIAFC) will be holding their 2018 Annual Conference April 20th & 21st at the Embassy Suites BWI in Baltimore, Maryland. The Maryland Fire Chiefs Association (MFCA)-Training Committee, with funds from the SAFER Grant, is sponsoring 75 scholarship opportunities for Maryland Fire Service Personnel to attend the conference. The scholarship will reimburse scholarship recipients a maximum of $675 for the conference registration ($150), three nights of hotel expenses (GSA rate of $106/night) and three days of per diem ($69/day).

The leadership training available at the EDIAFC Annual Conference will help members address the unique needs of volunteer leadership in their department. The networking opportunities give them the chance to share ideas and solutions with colleagues from other states within the Eastern Division’s Region. The conference allows participants to interact face-to-face with leaders of rural and suburban combination departments. This year’s conference will offer two different learning tracks for attendees to participate in – Safety & Health and Leadership & Accountability.

Scholarship recipients will be required to submit all of their receipts at the conclusion of the conference for reimbursement up to the eligible amount. In addition, as part of the reimbursement process, attendees will be required to provide the MFCA Training Committee with a one page synopsis of what they learned at the conference and how they will share such information with their department and/or jurisdiction.

The MFCA Training Committee would like to encourage everyone to apply for this scholarship opportunity. If you are interested in applying for a scholarship to attend the EDIAFC 2018 Annual Conference, please complete the attached Scholarship Application and email it to training@mdchief.org. All completed and signed scholarship applications must be received by the MFCA Training Committee by no later than 5:00 PM on Friday, March 2, 2018.

Please refer any questions involving this scholarship opportunity to Paul E. Sullivan, Jr. at psullivan@mdchief.org or Theresa Collins at mfca127@gmail.com.

Representing the Maryland Emergency Services Officers with Progression While Maintaining Tradition
Maryland Fire Chiefs Association

Training/Conference Scholarship Request

Scholarship Applicant Name: ________________________________

Address: ________________________________________________

City: ______________________ State: ___________ Zip: ______

Phone: ______________________ Email: ____________________

Current Member of the Maryland Fire Chiefs Association:  □ Yes  □ No

Department Membership: __________________________________

Name of Chief Officer: _____________________________________

Endorsement of Chief Officer (must be signed): ______________

Name of Training/Conference Program:  EDIAFC Annual Conference 2018 - Embassy Suites BWI

Dates of Training: ____________________ April 20 & 21, 2018

Estimated costs:

Travel: $________

Lodging: $________

Registration: $________

Transportation: $________

Per Diem: $________

Other: $________

Total estimated cost: $________

No costs should be incurred by the Individual until a determination of eligibility is made by the MFCA SAFER Oversight Committee. Any costs incurred prior to a decision by the Committee shall be at the member's own expense.

Applicant Signature: __________________________ Date: ________________

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Committee Use Only

Committee Recommendation: Approved ________ Disapproved ________

Oversight Committee Decision: Approved ________ Disapproved ________

By: __________________________ Date: ____________________
The International Association of Fire Chiefs Volunteer Combination Officers Section
AND
The Frederick County Volunteer Fire and Rescue Association

Presents:
"Beyond Hoses and Helmets"
Leadership for Volunteer & Combination Departments

On March 3 & 4, 2018
From 8:00 am to 4:00 pm (both days)

This course is designed for new and existing Fire Officers to enhance their leadership skills.

Pierce Fire Apparatus and the Volunteer and Combination Officers Section (VCOS) of the International Association of Fire Chiefs (IAFC) are pleased to offer an educational training course designed by practicing chiefs that delivers real world expertise through an interactive educational experience. The course is titled "Beyond Hoses and Helmets - Strategy and Tactics of Leading a Volunteer or Combination Fire/Rescue Organization." The United States Fire Administration and the National Emergency Training Center provided technical support in the development of course material and supporting documents.

The support offered by Pierce Fire Apparatus allows VCOS instructors to present this course throughout the nation in an effort to support the VCOS mission - to provide chief officers who manage volunteers within the fire/rescue/delivery system with information, education, services and representation to enhance their professionalism and capabilities.

"Beyond Hoses and Helmets" offers instruction in the following modules:
- Problem-solving
- Team Building
- Training Development
- Conflict Resolution
- Principles of
- Negotiation
- Verbal Communications
- Marketing
- Recruitment
- Retention
- Leadership

Presenters are: Chief Norvin Collins, Ken Farmer & Glenn Jirka

Location: Frederick County Public Safety Training Facility
Located at 5370 Public Safety Place, Frederick MD 21704

Register by COB, February 23, 2018

Register online at www.mfri.org/seminars

For questions contact: jshry@frederickcountymd.gov
**Winterfest EMS 2018 Registration**

Name: ____________________________  Nickname: ____________________________

Street Address: ____________________________

City: ____________________________  State: _______  Zip: ____________

Phone: ____________________________  Other Phone: ____________________________

Provider #: ____________________________  Email: ____________________________

Certification/Licensure (Circle): EMR  EMD  EMT  CRT  Paramedic  LPN  RN  NP  PA  MD

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**Preconferences**

*(Select Only One):*

- EMT Skills Refresher $75
- Pediatric Preconference $50

**Conference Fees:**

- Saturday $85.00 *(choose breakouts below)*
- Sunday $86.00
- Both days $125.00 *(choose Saturday breakout sessions below)*

**Saturday Breakout Sessions** *(choose one for each session OR double breakout)*

First Session – A  B  C  D  E  F

Second Session – A  B  C  D  E  F

Double Breakout – G

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**Dinner and Dance at the Elks in Easton – Saturday, January 27, 2018**

Rates are per person.

Dinner is served from 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM. Cash bar available. Dance starts at 8:00 PM. Tickets must be purchased ahead of time and are nonrefundable. Buffet style serving to include two chicken options, Maryland crab cakes, and much more.

Tickets are $35 Each

Total Amount Due $_________ = Preconference Fees + Conference Fees + Dinner Cost (as applicable)

Make checks payable to Winterfest EMS. Reservations are due by January 12, 2018. Dinner fees, if applicable, must be included with registration. Send check along with this form to Winterfest EMS, C/O Talbot Co. DES, 29041 Corkran Rd., Easton, MD 21601. Call or email us with any questions or confirmation requests at (410) 820-8311 or winterfest@talbotdes.org.

***Provider Number is Required to Receive Continuing Education Credits***
Location:
Winterfest EMS will be held at Easton High School, located at 723 Mecklenburg Avenue in Easton. The EMT Skills Refresher Preconference will be held at the Elks Lodge #1622, and the Pediatric Preconference will be held in the auditorium at Easton High School.

Payment and Cancellation Policy:
Preregistration is required. We will be accepting registration until January 12, 2018, or until the conference is filled—whichever comes first. Walk-in registrations will not be allowed. In the event that payment is not readily available from the registrant’s department, registration forms may be submitted with a letter of intent to pay on department letterhead. Otherwise, payment of all fees must be included with preregistration. All students must be paid in full prior to Winterfest, January 27, 2018. There is a $25 fee for bad checks. Any student with an outstanding balance from any previous Winterfest will not be allowed to participate until their account is paid in full. All requests for cancellations must be made in writing to:

Winterfest EMS, c/o Talbot Co. DES, 20041 Corkran Rd., Easton, MD 21601

Accommodations:
WINTERFEST EMS WILL NOT BE TAKING ANY RESERVATIONS.
All reservations must be made by the student. Please contact any hotel directly to reserve and pay for your room. All hotels listed include a hot breakfast and free Wi-Fi. Book by December 26 and ask for the Winterfest rate from the suggested local lodging:

- Fairfield by Marriott - $99/night
  (410) 822-0050
- Best Western Plus - $89/night
  (410) 819-0500
- Holiday Inn Express - $89/night
  (410) 822-7100
- Quality Inn - $75/night
  (410) 820-8333
  Pet friendly! Additional fee applies

Weather Cancellation:
The Conference Planning Committee will make a decision about cancellation of Winterfest EMS due to severe weather by 12 Noon on January 24. Call Talbot County DES at (410) 820-8311 for details. Written requests for refunds will be accepted within 30 days of cancellation.

Information:
For additional information or registration confirmations, call TCDES at (410) 820-8311, email us at winterfest@talbotdes.org, or contact us through Facebook. The Winterfest EMS Committee is committed to ensuring that individuals with disabilities are able to fully participate in the conference. If you require additional assistance, please call the Winterfest EMS Committee.

Directions:
Traveling from the Bay Bridge and points West:
Take Route 50 East to Easton. Turn right onto Dutchman’s Lane. Turn left at Mecklenburg Avenue, and follow the road until you reach Easton High School, located on the left at 723 Mecklenburg Avenue.

Traveling from Ocean City and points East:
Take Route 50 West to Easton. Turn left onto Dutchman’s Lane. Turn left at Mecklenburg Avenue, and follow the road until you reach Easton High School, located on the left at 723 Mecklenburg Avenue.

To Elks Lodge #1622 (502 Dutchman’s Lane, Easton):
From Route 50, turn onto Dutchman’s Lane. The Elks Lodge is on the left, just past Mecklenburg Avenue.

Easton High School
723 Mecklenburg Avenue
Easton, MD 21601

Elks Lodge #1622
502 Dutchman’s Lane
Easton, MD 21601
Breakouts
1300-1430, Repeated 1500-1630

A. The Path to Addiction 1.5 hr M/B
1.50 Hrs. ALS-B and BLS-Medical
Sheriff Joe Gamble
Talbot County Sheriff Department

Description:
Most of our society knows that we are in the midst of a heroin epidemic, but nearly 80% have no idea how or why our loved ones are turning to heroin. This session will address the pathway to addiction and include a guest speaker who will tell their story of how they became addicted to opiates.

B. It's My Life. It's Now or Never 1.5 hr M/A
1.50 Hrs. ALS-A and BLS-Medical
Maryland EMSC and PEMAC Faculty

Description:
Ben Jovi was right; it IS now or never—especially when it comes to CPR. You already know early, high-quality CPR (rate, depth, and recoil) and defibrillation are key, but let’s talk about some differences with kids. Learn to perfect pediatric high-performance CPR in this hands-on workshop with pediatric pitch-crow specialists. Each participant will be competing for the best score to save a life. ‘Cause, ain’t gonna live forever...

C. P.U.R.P.L.E. Crying – Preventing Abusive Head Trauma 1.5 hrs, T/B
1.50 Hrs. ALS-B and BLS-Trauma
Cindy Colson, MSN
Pediatric Trauma Program, Children’s National Medical Center

Description:
Crying for infants can be both confusing and scary to parents and EMS providers alike. The period of “PUrple Crying” is a new educational campaign to help explain the normal stage that infants go through between 2 weeks and 4 months. Understanding this period can prevent both frustration and non-accidental head trauma. This presentation will include an explanation of the campaign, ways to incorporate it into wellness and prevention education, as well as the recognition and emergent treatment of abusive head trauma (AHT), which many learned at shaken baby syndrome. PURPLE is an acronym for the specific and normal characteristics of an infant’s crying during this phase: peak of crying, unexpected, resists soothing, pain-like face, long-lasting, evening.

D. Drowning: A New Look at an Old Foe 1.5 hr T/B
1.50 Hrs. ALS-B and BLS-Trauma
Thomas Chiusone, MD, FACEP
Jurisdictional Medical Director, Talbot County Department of Emergency Services
Region IV Medical Director, MDEM/MD

Description:
From an evidence-based international perspective, the presenter will highlight updates on terminology, scope, risk factors, pathophysiology, resuscitation, and on-scene tools for risk-stratification of victims. Because prevention is the best medicine, simple safety guidelines will also be reviewed.

E. Mangled Upper Extremity 1.5 hr T/B
1.50 Hrs. ALS-B and BLS-Trauma
Raymond Plansky, MD
Assistant Professor of Orthopaedics,
R Adams Cowley Shock Trauma Center

Description:
This session will explore the prehospital, in-hospital, and rehabilitation management of upper extremity injuries. We will discuss the various injuries associated with mangled extremities through the application of case studies. This session will highlight the success of well-coordinated care within a well-defined trauma system.

F. Dementia Through Their Eyes 1.5 hr M/A
1.50 Hrs. ALS-A and BLS-Medical
Tami Weber/Director of Sales and Marketing,
Certified Dementia Specialist
Cindy Nickles/Executive Director
Candle Light Cove Assisted Living and Memory Care,
Easton, Maryland

Description:
An interactive look at dementia through the eyes of the person who suffers from it. This educational breakout session includes hands-on experiential learning to experience the physical and mental challenges faced by those with dementia. You will walk away with tools to help you identify and understand behaviors and needs of people living with dementia, and learn how to best interact for better outcomes.

Fire Breakout – Double Breakout – Does Not Repeat

G. Go, No-Go 3 hr L/2
1300-1600

3.00 Hrs. ALS-2 (Local Option) and BLS-Local Option
Strike the Box Training

Description:
Go, No-Go is a course that challenges the students’ critical thinking skills by utilizing protocol-based scenarios to address unique patient entrapment and entanglement situations. When these “not-so-routine” cases arise, patient care protocols, out-of-the-box thinking, and specialized tactics need to culminate for the best possible patient outcome. This course provides interaction and hands-on scenarios that incorporate fire/rescue response techniques and equipment, Trauma Decision Tree, Exceptional Care Protocol, and consideration of specialty personnel and resources, such as MSP aviation, special operations teams, and the UMBC/STC Go-Team. This blended course format incorporates a classroom/lecture presentation combined with hands-on practical scenario stations. Class limited to 25 participants.
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Application Form

Do not substitute the form of the application online. Be sure to include a copy of the form with your application. The application form is available online.

AWARD AMOUNTS

100% of the state’s resident student tuition is covered by the Maryland Higher Education Commission (MHEC). The annual award is for up to three years. The annual award may not exceed the annual tuition and fee charges of the institution. The student must meet the following criteria:

- Be a Maryland resident
- Have completed the FAFSA
- Have a minimum of 30 credits
- Have a grade point average of 3.0 or higher

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

- Be a graduate of a Maryland public or private high school
- Have completed a minimum of 30 credits
- Have a grade point average of 3.0 or higher

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KENNETH E. BUTTS MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Sponsored by the
CUMBERLAND VALLEY VOLUNTEER FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION

The Cumberland Valley Volunteer Firemen's Association Emergency Medical Service Scholarship was established for the purpose of annually providing monetary assistance to an individual interested in pursuing a degree in Emergency Medical Service and related subjects at a college or university of their choice.

Guidelines for the scholarship are outlined in part below:
- One scholarship award of up to $500 may be issued annually.
- Applicants must be enrolled or planning to enroll in the next scheduled semester of a two or four year accredited college or university that offers courses in emergency medical service and related subjects. These courses must be taken in addition to other required subjects.
- The completed application should be returned to: Greg Yost Home Office Manager, 15 Pembroke Lane, Falling Waters WV 25419 for evaluation and recommendation to the Board of Directors, whose decision will be final. THE FINAL DATE FOR RETURN OF THE COMPLETED APPLICATION IS MARCH 1. A non-returnable wallet size photograph suitable for publication must be submitted with the completed application.

NAME: __________________________ DATE: __________________________

(Last) (First) (Middle)

ADDRESS: __________________________

(Street) (City/Town) (State) (Zip)

TELEPHONE: __________________________ DATE OF BIRTH: __________________________

(Area code) (Number)

CVVFA MEMBER YES ______ NO ______

If marked NO List Name of family member who is a CVVFA Member

HIGH SCHOOL AND LOCATION __________________________________________________________________________

YEAR GRADUATED: __________ GPA: __________ SAT OR ACT SCORE: __________

COLLEGE OR UNIVERSITY YOU PLAN TO ATTEND: __________________________________________________________________________

COURSE OF STUDY __________________________________________________________________________

REQUIRED ATTACHMENTS:
1. Certified transcripts, senior high school grades and courses studied. If now attending college, certified transcripts of college work

2. An original essay of 250 words or less entitled, "Why I Am Interested in an Emergency Medical Service Career." The essay must be on a single page 8 1/2" x 11", plain white paper – typed.

3. Recent photo suitable for publication.

CAUTION: The scholarship is intended for the next semester at an accredited 2 or 4-year college or university of your choice. Failure to do so will require the immediate return of the award.

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Signed  Dated
Maryland Fire Chiefs Association

Presents

Five Alarm Leadership
and
RIT Gone Wrong
(Funded by the MSFA/MFCA SAFER Grant)

Date: Saturday, January 20, 2018
Time: 8:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. (Lunch will be provided)
Location: Carroll County Public Safety Training Center
50 Kate Wagner Road
Westminster, MD 21157
(410) 848-1488
Featuring: Chief John J. Salka, Jr., Battalion Chief (Retired)
Fire Department of the City of New York (FDNY)

Presentation: As in life, the business world faces change on a daily basis. How a business reacts to change often has a direct impact on whether that business succeeds or fails. Failure is often the product of poor planning. Battles are fought on the fireground and if we fail it is often with disastrous results. In the business world, if a business fails, it can be disastrous for the leaders, the team, and most of all, the customers. “Five Alarm Leadership” takes the strategy and tactics used by today’s fire service leaders and applies them to the business community. What is revealed is how the Incident Management System (IMS), a nationally recognized methodology used at every fire or major disaster, when applied to a business operation, can ensure successful and productive results no matter what obstacles or challenges you may face.

“RIT Gone Wrong” takes a look at the rapid intervention team concept in the American fire service—from the development of the RIT concept to what it has evolved into today. The instructors examine some of the issues and practices that have played a role in the successes and failures of some RIT operations. Topics include: when and how firefighters get into trouble, RIT staffing, where maydays occur, RIT training, and radio communications. If you are a firefighter, company officer, or chief and are involved in your department’s RIT, you will find this program interesting and informative.

Registration: Advanced registration closes January 17, 2018. Registration is open to all interested persons, but will be limited to 120 registrants. Register on-line at www.mjri.org/seminars. For special accommodations, questions or a need to cancel, please email seminars@mfri.org or call 301-226-9971 (1-800-275-6374, ext. 9971).

Hotel: Individuals who travel greater than 50 miles may submit for one night of hotel reimbursement from the MSFA/MFCA SAFER Grant at a rate not to exceed $93.00. (Instructions will be provided the day of the training for those wishing to submit for reimbursement). Best Western Westminster, 451 WMC Drive, Westminster, MD 21158, (410) 857-1900, www.bestwesternwestminster.com. Use Code: MFCA
MARYLAND
FORM
502V
USE OF VEHICLE FOR CHARITABLE PURPOSES
Attach to your tax return.

Your first name ____________________________ Initial ______ Last name ____________________________ Social Security Number __________________

Spouse’s first name ____________________________ Initial ______ Last name ____________________________ Social Security Number __________________

Qualifying Organization* ____________________________

* Qualifying Organizations are nonprofit volunteer fire companies and other organizations qualified under Section 170 of the Internal Revenue Code, whose principal purpose or function is to provide medical, health or nutritional care.

1. Total mileage incurred in providing qualifying services. ______ 1.

2. Multiply line 1 by 53.5¢ (.535) and enter that amount here. ______ 2. $ ______

3. Reimbursement received for mileage on line 1. ______ 3. $ ______

4. Amount included as an itemized deduction on your Maryland return (See Instructions.) ______ 4. $ ______

5. Total Maryland deductions from mileage allowance (Add lines 3 and 4.). ______ 5. $ ______

6. Modifications for charitable vehicle expenses (Subtract line 5 from line 2.) Enter on line q of Form 502SU or line q of Form 505SU. ______ 6. $ ______

INSTRUCTIONS

COMPUTATION OF SUBTRACTION

You may subtract from federal adjusted gross income unreimbursed automobile travel expenses incurred in connection with service as a volunteer for a nonprofit volunteer fire company or other qualified organization. A qualified organization is an organization defined by Section 170 of the Internal Revenue Code whose principal purpose or function is to provide medical, health or nutritional care.

You may subtract the unreimbursed vehicle expense incurred while providing assistance, other than providing transportation, to handicapped individuals, as defined in Section 190 of the Internal Revenue Code, who are enrolled as students in Maryland community colleges.

The charitable expense modification is 53.5 cents per mile to the extent this amount is unreimbursed.

The amount must be reduced by any reimbursement received for the charitable travel. The amount also must be reduced by any portion which is claimed as an itemized deduction on your Maryland Income tax return for charitable vehicle expenses.

Total Mileage on line 1 of Form 502V should include the mileage traveled from home, performing the service and returning home. You should maintain the appropriate documentation.

For more information, visit our Web site at www.marylandtaxes.gov or email your question to TAXHELP@comp.state.md.us. You may also call 1-800-638-2937 or from Central Maryland 410-260-7980.