

IAFPD FOUNDATION



Supporting the Next Generation

MISSION

The IAFPD Foundation is an educational and charitable foundation organized for the purpose of advancing the Illinois fire service through fire protection district trustees, administrators and personnel who provide emergency services to the citizens of Illinois.

The following community colleges offer programs in fire science that meet the guidelines outlined in IAFPD Foundation Scholarship Program. Students of interest should inquire directly with the financial aid office at their respective school.

College of DuPage
College of Lake County
Danville Area Community College
Elgin Community College
Frontier Community College
Harper College
Harold Washington College
Illinois Central College
Joliet Junior College
Lewis & Clark Community College
Lincoln Land Community College
Oakton Community College
Parkland College
Prairie State College
McHenry County College
Moraine Valley Community College
Richland Community College
Rock Valley College
Shawnee Community College
South Suburban College
Southeastern Illinois College
Southwestern Illinois College
Triton College
Waubensee Community College

Every community relies on their local fire department to keep their population safe. Given today's political climate, we now know that fire departments serve beyond just putting out fires. In addition to being first responders for various non-fire related emergencies, fire personnel also serve as our first line of defense for catastrophic events.

As the fire service continues to take new shape and be redefined, there is a greater need to ensure that both administrators and personnel receive the necessary training and equipment to adequately perform their job.

Created in 2003 as a not-for-profit 501 c-(3) tax exempt organization, the Foundation was formed with these objectives:

- Educate the general public on fire prevention and safety.
- Establish and maintain a scholarship program to promote the field of fire science in Illinois.
- Conduct research in the field of fire science.
- Assist in ensuring that fire service administrators and personnel receive proper training and equipment to adequately serve the citizens of Illinois.

The Foundation receives funding through private donations from individuals, organizations, corporations, and foundations.

ANNUAL FOUNDATION ACTIVITIES:

- Provides 31 scholarships to those individuals pursuing a career in the field of fire science.
- Provides fire prevention and safety education to thousands of children at the Illinois State Fair each year.
- Seeks funding for the purpose of assisting Illinois fire protection districts in meeting the needs of their local communities.

DONATIONS:

Contributions to the IAFPD Foundation are tax deductible and proper acknowledgment of your gift will be provided upon receipt of your contributions.

For more information on the IAFPD Foundation or its scholarship program, please contact the IAFPD Association Administrator, Cheri Breneman at 800-524-6620.